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**Joshua Creek Ranch to Donate to Aid Persecuted Christians**

**Texas Ranch Owners Aim To Build Awareness and Support For Persecuted Christians Around The World**

**Boerne, TX:** In more than 60 countries around the world, Christians are being violated and/or killed for their faith and Christian properties are being destroyed on a daily basis. Joshua Creek Ranch ([www.joshuacreek.com](http://www.joshuacreek.com)) is stepping up with efforts to donate toward awareness and aid for these often-overlooked persecuted Christians.

Beginning May 1st through August 31st, Joshua Creek Ranch owners, Joe & Ann Kercheville, have pledged to donate 10% of revenue from the Ranch’s renowned sporting clays business to various non-profit organizations focused on helping persecuted Christians around the world. As one of many activities at the world-class sportsman’s paradise, the scenic 15-station, fully-automatic sporting clays course attracts hundreds of shooters each year.

“It’s disturbing that innocent Christians and their properties are being targeted around the world and these facts are essentially being ignored by the national media,” remarked Joshua Creek Owner, Joe Kercheville. “We are fortunate to have the opportunity to donate and call attention to this cause. Hopefully others will do the same,” Kercheville said.

A typical round of sporting clays at Joshua Creek Ranch costs $50 for 100 targets which will yield a $5 donation per shooter throughout the busiest sporting clays months at the Ranch. This should result in a significant donation which will be split between three different organizations:

1. International Christian Concern ([www.persecution.org](http://www.persecution.org))
2. Open Doors USA ([www.opendoorsusa.org](http://www.opendoorsusa.org))
3. The Voice of The Martyrs ([www.persecution.com](http://www.persecution.com))

According to The Pew Research Center, over 75% of the world's population lives in areas with severe religious restrictions (and many of these people are Christians). Also, according to the United States Department of State, Christians in more than 60 countries face persecution from their governments or surrounding neighbors simply because of their belief in Jesus Christ.

**ABOUT JOSHUA CREEK RANCH:**

Joshua Creek Ranch, located in the beautiful Texas Hill Country, is nestled on an isolated stretch of the pristine Guadalupe River and Joshua Creek – just 45 minutes northwest of San Antonio. The Ranch's diverse terrain is a perfect habitat for the best Upland Bird hunting in Texas, as well as decoyed Mallard Duck hunting and Dove hunting excursions in season. Sports enthusiasts also enjoy gunning on the scenic 15-station sporting clays course and fly-fishing on Joshua Creek for Rainbow Trout. There's trophy Axis Deer hunting year-round and Whitetail Deer and Turkey hunting in season. Gourmet dining and luxury lodging with spectacular views complete the ultimate outdoor experience. In 2015, Joshua Creek Ranch celebrates 25 years as a superior hunting and shooting resort destination. Joshua Creek Ranch is recognized as one of only five Beretta Trident Lodges for Excellence in Upland Bird Hunting in the United States and the only one in Texas. The Ranch is also an Orvis Endorsed Wingshooting Lodge and recipient of the 2013 Award of Excellence from Sporting Classics Magazine for Hunting Lodge of the Year.

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