



Unknown Martyrs Exhibition

'Icons' of the contemporary persecution of Christians worldwide



The 'Unknown Martyrs' images commemorate modern saints from a range of countries and different situations where believers suffer today for their faith in Christ. There are 12 wooden panels measuring 32 x 25cm and one that is 70 x 50cm. Made with reference to traditional icons they use modern figures and symbols to tell contemporary stories of resilient faith under fire.

The people depicted are icons in the sense of windows into understanding God because their lives and struggles bear witness to him. These 'icons' will challenge everyone to consider 'Why would someone give their life for the sake of Jesus Christ?', and will inspire many to reflect on the value and cost of knowing and following Jesus in our complex, noisy and cynical world.

The exhibition can be open to church members, school classes and the public, and is especially suitable for visits by small numbers for reflection.

Display Method: The artwork can be exhibited on exhibition boards, hung on walls, or displayed on mini easels on tables, as long as it is secure from damage or theft. There is a comprehensive written introduction to the show and each panel has a text that explains the story of the person(s) represented and the symbols used.

Events: The show could also be used for:

- a prayer meditation.
- an intercession evening on behalf of the persecuted church.
- a home group event.
- a talk by the artist.
- a workshop with the artist.

The artist: Paul Hobbs will be available to set up and take down the show, and give a talk and field questions.

Duration: The exhibition could last anytime from a day to a fortnight.

Venue: This needs to be secure, well lit and with suitable access.

Cost (2023): £332 for the set up/take down of the show, and travel expenses @45p/mile. Please enquire about additional expenses for talks or workshops by the artist.