

Asia Bibi's husband says she'll 'never convert to Islam' on eve of appeal

Christina and I both receive updates on Mrs Bibi through the newsletter of the [Premier Radio](#) a reputable British Christian network.



The Supreme Court appeal for Asia Bibi will begin on Monday in Pakistan, after years of attempts for a hearing to prevent the mother-of-five's execution. Ms Bibi has already spent nine years in jail after being accused of breaching the country's strict blasphemy laws by insulting the Prophet Muhammad, following a row with Muslim women.

She was sentenced to death by hanging in 2010. If her appeal fails, she will become the first woman to be executed for blasphemy in Pakistan.

Ms Bibi's husband, Ashiq Masih and their eldest daughter Eisham spoke recently at an event organized by Aid to the Church in Need at the Catholic Chaplaincy of Lancaster University. He said his wife would "never convert to Islam".

"She is psychologically, physically and spiritually strong,"

he added. "Having a very strong faith, she is ready and willing to die for Christ."

There are concerns for her health – after 9 years in a prison such as the one in which she is held I am not suprised.

Wilson Chowdhry, chairman of the The British Pakistani Christian Association (BPCA) ..encouraged people to pray for the Christian woman's release. "We hope this time she will be completely exonerated and these this wrongful conviction will finally be overturned as this is her final opportunity to be heard at court and freed via the judicial system," he said.