

## HUMAN TRAFFICKING Action Guide

**Vision:** Our vision is to provide a weekly, step-by-step guide to help people prepare before a given threat becomes a reality. We encourage you to print and keep a collection of these weekly guides and website information. We also suggest you keep your collection in a notebook in case there is a loss of the internet and power at the very time you need these guides.

We believe as you consider these guidelines and prepare, you will gain the knowledge and skills to adapt to the anticipated threats. These guides may not address every contingency but, being prepared for threats and disasters in general helps individuals gain the peace of mind that they have done what they can do to enhance their chances for safety, survival, and the well-being of their communities. This resource and comprehensive approach fosters resilience and prosperity in challenging times when many others may be caught off guard.

**EXPERT:** Noel Thomas has led United States law enforcement and the judicial system into a new battleground, where high-tech data analysis is changing how criminals are caught and prosecuted. He is a co-founder and CEO of Dark Watch, a cyber protection services company.

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The human trafficking game has changed drastically, and that led Mr. Thomas to co-author the guidebook "Dark Watch." This manual helps readers develop situational awareness regarding the human trafficking threat. He strives to equip and inform readers how they can play a role in identifying and help stop human trafficking even in their own neighborhoods. The book can be purchased book through <u>www.Amazon.com</u> and will be available audio format soon.



# INTRODUCTION

Human trafficking is a serious, global violation of human rights that manifests in various forms. Addressing human trafficking requires a comprehensive approach that includes prevention, protection, and prosecution efforts, as well as international cooperation and public awareness to combat this grave violation of human rights. The threats posed by human trafficking can be categorized into several key areas.



# EXPLOITATION OF VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

### **Topic One**

Traffickers are predators that target individuals who are mentally, emotionally, and physically vulnerable. This is due to poverty, lack of education, or unstable family situations. Children, (both boys and girls), women, and marginalized communities, susceptible to exploitation.



# TYPES

### Topic Two

**Sex Trafficking -** This form of trafficking involves the deception and coercion of individuals to engage in sex acts for the trafficker's commercial purposes. Victims are forced into prostitution, pornography, or other forms of sexual exploitation, traumatizing the victim with long lasting physical, emotional, and psychological wounds.

**Labor Trafficking –** Posing as labor liaisons, these predators trap individuals into forced labor in diverse industries, including agriculture, construction, and domestic work. Victims are often subjected to inhumane working conditions, long hours, with little to no pay going directly to them. The trafficker maintains the business relationship and keeps most of the worker's income.

**Child Trafficking -** Children are particularly vulnerable to being trafficked for labor, sexual exploitation, and even recruitment into armed conflict. The loss of the victim's childhood and innocence is a profound threat to their development and their physical and emotional well-being.



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**Organ Trafficking -** In some cases, individuals are trafficked for the illegal harvest and trade of human body organs. This poses serious ethical, legal, and health concerns for the victims involved.

**Cyber Trafficking -** With the rise of the internet, traffickers utilize online platforms to recruit and exploit victims. This includes grooming minors with sexual content, as well as using the dark web to advertise human trafficking services, making it difficult to track and combat.

**Health Risks -** Victims of human trafficking often face severe physical and mental health issues due to abuse, STDs, neglect, and exploitation. They may suffer from untreated medical conditions, psychological trauma, Stockholm Syndrome and substance abuse.



# **PUBLIC AWARENESS**

### **Topic Three**

Because human trafficking has changed over time it is important to stay informed of the latest tactics predators use in manipulating the vulnerable into human trafficking. Utilizing companies like Dark Watch, to protect your business from cyber-crime and guidebooks such as "Dark Watch" can help you become situationally aware for your loved ones and your neighborhood. Be especially aware of online predators and investigate protective software like "Bark" located online at <u>www.bark.us</u>.

FBI and local police websites can add important information to these resources that can give you a first line defense against those who would seek to use your loved ones as prey. Being a voice in your local government against human trafficking can help ensure your neighborhood remain safe.



# LACK OF LEGAL Protections

### **Topic Four**

Many countries have inadequate laws or enforcement mechanisms to combat human trafficking. This lack of legal framework allows traffickers to operate with impunity.



## CORRUPTION AND COMPLICITY

### **Topic Five**

In some regions, law enforcement officials may be complicit in human trafficking operations, either through corruption, a lack of training to recognize and respond to it and limited resources to combat it.



# STIGMA AND ISOLATION

### **Topic Six**

Survivors of trafficking may face stigma and discrimination, making it difficult for them to reintegrate into society. This isolation can perpetuate their vulnerability to being re-trafficking.



## PEACE & SPIRITUAL LIVING

### **Topic Seven**

Peace could be very elusive during a worldwide threat because of the stress any individual threat would create in one's life. Let alone if these threats appear in clusters or simultaneously, as often is the case. Dealing with stress is very important during times of personal relationship problems, financial, health, and survival issues. Successful stress management and remaining clear headed could make the difference in your survival.

More than stress management, maintaining your peace during a disaster could prove to be more valuable than the gold you stored to barter with. Having peace can help your family, friends, and all of those around you that are in a critical situation to survive in an abundant way.

Peace is directly associated with spirituality. If you have not considered spirituality, now would be the time to develop it while we are in a relatively peaceful time. Seeking a Higher Power for peace makes since when so many things will be out of your control during a worldwide threat.

Believing Jews look to the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob to bring them peace. Prophecies of the Messiah help the Jews focus on God as their victor and keeper. For Jews, their bible predicts the coming of the Messiah who will protect them and establish his forever kingdom.



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Those who know the Jesus of the Christian Bible will deal with stress completely differently than those who do not. There are several reasons for that. First, the bible is full of prophecies foretelling the birth and mission of Jesus to make peace between God and mankind in addition to his return to set up a kingdom of His peace. Jesus came and fulfilled the prophecies of his birth, death, and resurrection. Christians have a great deal of evidence that he will keep his promise to return and ultimately establish worldwide peace. The well-known Christmas prophecy hundreds of years before his birth in Isaiah 9:6 identified Jesus as the Prince of Peace. He offers that peace to you today if you but ask (John 14:27).

Prophecies are comforting and stress reducing because they come from a loving Higher Power that is communicating with his people what to expect. Prophecies for the Christian tell the nature of the times in which Jesus was, is and will be.

If you are encouraged by the WorldwideThreat.com please consider visiting <u>www.LiveInThePresence.com</u>. We produced a video series called Living in the Presence. These shows were produced in different places in the world and primarily show how people in difficult and life-threatening situations live a life of peace and prosperity in many ways.



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### **Topic Seven**

To be part of the Worldwide Threat Family is to understand how to be prepared for the threats. Part of the that preparation is to do your part to support the local storehouse that helps people in need, otherwise known as the local church. Both Jews and Christians know the importance of this principal from the example of Joseph in the Old Testament storing up goods in the storehouse. If you do your part to support your local church, God promises to protect the remainder of your supplies in Malachi 3:10-18. That should give you some peace as well.

If you are not walking in peace, we can help you by introducing you to Jesus and giving you free information that will help. We welcome you to contact us by phone 888-391-0354, email at info@theworldwidethreat.com or text at 828-330-4883 and we will be glad to discuss all of this.

We hope to see you next Thursday for latest instalment of the Worldwide Threat. Until then, we will leave you with one last thought. Jesus says in John 14:1-3, 27-28;

#### Jesus is the way to the Father

14 Jesus said to his disciples, 'Do not be sad or afraid. Believe in God, and also believe in me. 2 There are many rooms in my Father's house. I will go now so that I can prepare a place for you there. If it was not true, I would not have told you this. 3 After I have prepared a place for you, I will return. Then I will take you so that you will be with me. You will be where I am...27 I will go away but I will give you a gift of peace. It is mine to give and yours to keep. It is not like a gift that this world gives. Do not let yourselves be sad. Do not be afraid. 28 You heard me say to you, "I will go away, but I will return to you." (EEV) **Disclaimer:** The ideas and suggestions in these guides are not meant to provide professional advice. We suggest you communicate with professionals in all areas to design and prepare for any threats you or your family may face. These guides and information is provided free for you to share with friends and family but may not be copied or used for commercial or business use without our written permission.

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