

Believers Through the Ages

1. Polycarp (69-155) 2nd Century Bishop of Smyrna,
2. Justin Martyr (100-165) early Christian apologist of 2nd century
3. Augustine of Hippo (354-430) early Christian theologian and philosopher
4. John Wycliff (1331-1384) fourteenth century dissident in the Catholic church
5. John Huss (1369-1415) Burned at the stake by the Catholic church for proclaiming that Christ is the Head of the Church and that salvation is in Christ alone (John 14:6)
6. Martin Luther (1483-1546) began the Protestant Reformation with his “Theses” in 1517
7. William Tyndale (1494-1536) First to translate and print the Bible into English
8. John Calvin (1509-1564) French theologian and pastor of Protestant Reformation
9. John Bunyan (1628-1688) English Christian preacher, writer; wrote “The Pilgrim’s Progress”
10. Isaac Watts (1674-1748) prolific, popular hymn writer, non-conformist theologian
11. Jonathan Edwards (1703-1758) Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God
12. John Wesley (1703-1791) founder of Methodist Church
Charles Wesley (1707-1788) brother of John Wesley, prolific writer of hymns
13. George Whitfield (1714-1770) Anglican cleric, influential in the Great Awakening
14. John Newton (1725-1807) Amazing Grace, slave ships
15. George Washington (1732-1799) 1st President of US; a Christian, life’s focus on Jesus Christ
16. William Wilberforce (1759-1833) influential in abolition of slavery
17. George Mueller (1805-1898) evangelist, ministry to orphans and orphanages
18. David Livingstone (1813-1873) missionary to Africa, opposed slavery after seeing its horror
19. Julia Ward Howe (1819-1910) American abolitionist/social activist, “Battle Hymn of Republic”
20. Fanny Crosby (1820-1915) wrote “Blessed Assurance” and over 8000 hymns and songs
21. William Booth (1829-1912) Catherine Booth (1829-1890) Salvation Army
22. Hudson Taylor (1832-1905) British Protestant missionary to China
23. Charles Spurgeon (1834-1892) prominent English preacher known as “Prince of Preachers”
24. Dwight L. Moody (1837-1899) Moody Church, Moody Bible Institute, Moody Publishers
25. Elisha Hoffman (1839-1929) Presbyter. minister, composer of over 2000 hymns, 50 songbooks
26. Mary Slessor (1848-1915) missionary to Nigeria
27. Amy Carmichael (1867-1951) missionary to India
28. Samuel Morris (1873-1891) missionary from Liberia (Africa!) to America!!

29. **Corrie Ten Boom (1892-1983) survivor of the Holocaust**
30. **Donald Barnhouse (1895-1960) American Presbyterian preacher, theologian, radio pioneer**
31. **C.S. Lewis (1898-1963) Christian apologetics, author of “Screwtape Letters”, and many other**
32. **Gladys Aylward (1902-1970) missionary to China, also Siberia**
33. **Watchman Nee (1903-1972) China at Communist Revolution, imprisoned for his last 20 years**
34. **Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945) died in Nazi prison camp for resisting Hitler**
35. **Mother Theresa (1910-1997) wholehearted service to the poorest of the poor in Calcutta, India**
36. **Francis Schaeffer (1912-1984) American theologian, philosopher, author, and pastor**
- Edith Schaeffer (1914-2013) wife of Francis, definer of Christian family values**
35. **Stephen F. Olford (1918-2004) Influential 20th Century minister, founder of Olford Ministries International**
36. **Howard Hendricks (1924-2013) Professor at Dallas Theological Seminary.**
37. **Jim Elliot (1927-1956) missionaries to Ecuador, killed by Auca Indians**
Elisabeth Elliot (1926-2016) Jim’s wife, returned to live with Aucas, “Thru Gates of Splendor”
Nate Saint (1923-1956) pilot for Jim Elliot’s mission to the Auca Indians
Marj [Saint] Farris Van Der Puy (1923-2004) wife of Nate Saint
Rachel Saint (1914-1994) sister of Nate Saint, returned to live with the Aucas
Nick Saint (born 1951) son of Nate Saint, returned to live with the Aucas
Ed McCully (1927-1956) Pete Fleming (1928-1956) colleagues of Jim Elliot, killed by Aucas
38. **Walter Martin (1928-1989) apologetics author, founder Christian Research Institute**
39. **David Wilkerson (1931-2011), founder of Teen Challenge, Times Square Church**
40. **Charles Colson (1931-2012), founder of Prison Fellowship, Breakpoint**
41. **Billy Graham (1918-2018) America’s Pastor to a Worldwide ministry!**
Ruth Graham (1920-2007)
42. **Ravi Zacharias (1946-2020) born in India, Apologetics to Canada and USA, RZIM**

There have been literally MILLIONS of Christian heroes through the ages. Whatever I list here will be SO inadequate. There have been SO many more.

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