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USEFUL RESOURCES - WORKING WITH RELIGIOUS LEADERS

These resources provide useful reading for individuals and organisations working with religious leaders as a way to address child marriage and related issues.

As this is an evolving document, please continue to share your resources with Julie Rialet: Julie.Rialet@GirlsNotBrides.org.

Toolkits for practitioners

- Center for Interfaith Action, [A toolkit to train Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church Faith Leaders to address harmful traditional practices & its facilitator manual](#) (2013)
- Center for Interfaith Action, [A toolkit to train Ethiopian Muslim Faith Leaders to address harmful traditional practices & its facilitator manual](#) (2013)
- Center for Interfaith Action, [A toolkit for Nigerian Christian and Muslim Faith Leaders to address harmful traditional practices](#) (2013)

Publications

- African Union (2015) [The effects of traditional and religious practices of child marriage on Africa's socio-economic development: a review of research, reports and toolkits from Africa](#)
- Al-Azhar University in cooperation with UNICEF (2005) [Children in Islam. Their care, upbringing and protection](#)
- Azza Karam (2015) [Faith-Inspired Initiatives to Tackle the Social Determinants of Child Marriage](#), The Review of Faith & International Affairs, 13:3
- Judith-Ann Walker (2015) [Engaging Islamic Opinion Leaders on Child Marriage: Preliminary Results from Pilot Projects in Nigeria](#), The Review of Faith & International Affairs, 13:3
- Jennifer McCleary-Sills, Lucia Hanmer, Jennifer Parsons & Jeni Klugman (2015) [Child Marriage: A Critical Barrier to Girls' Schooling and Gender Equality in Education](#), The Review of Faith & International Affairs, 13:3, 69-80
- Girl Child Concerns (2015), [Girl child education: the Islamic perspective](#) (an advocacy guide on girls' education in Islam)
- Musawah (2016) [Compilation of resources related to women's rights in Muslim family laws](#)
- Musawah (2016) [Women's life stories: male authority in Muslim women's contexts](#), 2016
- Progressio (2016) [The price of womanhood. Girls' and young women's sexual and reproductive health and rights in Zimbabwe](#)
- UNFPA (2015) Many Faiths, Different Contexts. [Experiences with Faith-Based Organisations in the Asia and Pacific Region](#), Asia Pacific Regional Office
- UNICEF & Religion for Peace (2010) [From commitment to action: what religious communities can do to eliminate violence against children](#)

- UNICEF, the World Conference of Religions for Peace and UNAIDS (2003) [What religious leaders can do about HIV/AIDS](#). Action for children and young people
- UNICEF, [Resources on Partnering with Religious communities](#), regularly updated.

Some initiatives on child marriage by or in partnership with religious leaders

- Case study: “[My child marriage free community challenge](#)” – Regional Network of the Children and Young People Trust (RNCYPT): mobilising religious leaders and empowering girls to end child marriage in Zimbabwe, 2017
- Video: [Keeping the faith: Working with religious leaders to end child marriage in Mozambique](#), 2016
- Video: Center for Interfaith Action, [The Faith Effect: Equipping Faith Leaders to Empower Girls in Ethiopia and Nigeria – Female Genital Cutting and Early Marriage](#), 2012
- World Vision, [Learning from the Implementation of Channels of Hope for Child Protection in Malawi](#), 2015