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China's crackdown against its thriving home-church movement is surging, only a few months after it was reported the communist nation's attacks on Christians had subsided, according to a new report from the Chinese-focused human rights group China Aid.

China Aid said its research shows a 42 percent increase in persecution over the past 12 months.

China Aid founder Bob Fu, who says the Chinese government is wary of organized groups, confirmed, "Experts say the Communist Party in China has long felt threatened by any movement that galvanizes a large sector of the population, fearing it could wield political clout."

Now, he said, "The nation has become more systematically hostile to worshipers" ...

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