

REFUGEES NEED HOPE! Fall 2017

Refugees are here; and more are coming!

Since 2015 it is estimated that over 10,000 refugees from all over the world have come to the Metro Detroit area. President Trump has approved another 45,000 in the next year to the nation with an estimated 3-5 thousand coming to Metro Detroit. The Detroit area is the 4th largest destination for refugees to this country. God is asking us to bring hope to refugees. Refugees need hope! We are bring hope by providing for needs and building relationships with these that have come to our area seeking refuge from their war torn, dangerous counties. We are showing the Middle Eastern Refugees that we encounter, the love of Christ. We are helping them get acclimated to our area by providing for their needs of transportation, learning the language and build relationships with them to better share the truth about who Christ is. Here are a few of the things that we have been able to do through the provision of our partners in ministry.



We were able to take this group of families school shopping thanks to Clinton Valley Assembly of God. Money raised through VBS in August was used to take 8 children shopping before school started.



With that same VBS money we were also to take food and simple kitchen supplies to this family the day after they arrived in Metro Detroit from their 2 year wait in Jordan after fleeing Syria.

How Did You Get Started Working With Refugees?

I was engaged in my daily Bible reading when I came across a verse I had read many times, but this day was going to be different. Psalm 82:3-4 says, 'defend the poor and the fatherless; do justice to the afflicted and needy; deliver the poor and the needy; free them from the hand of the wicked.' That day my heart broke for refugees and I began to pray about what God wanted me to do. After a couple weeks of prayer, I felt like this refugee work was a bigger than our church and that I should launch into mission's work. A few weeks later a word from the Lord came through a young lady at our church. She told me that the word from the Lord was this, 'He's got this, trust Him!' I continued to drill down on my prayer time and one night, unbelievably, miraculously, Jesus appeared to me in a dream and spoke these words to me, 'This is the work I have for you and I will open the doors.' With that, I applied for and received approval from the US Home Department to begin work with Middle Eastern refugees in the Metro Detroit area. We were approved in January 2017, went to orientation in March and began itinerating shortly thereafter.

How Can I Help?

Consider how God would have you help Middle Eastern Refugees. Your financial support will:

- Help us provide for the needs of newly arriving refugees.
- Enable us to minister to refugee families that will afford us the opportunities to share the Truth of Christ.
- Help us purchase a small apartment complex for newly arriving refugees.

Pray for the hearts of refugees to receive the good news of Christ!
Pray for the hearts that God is touching for the needs of refugees that they might partner with us financially.

The picture for reaching refugees is becoming clearer as more partners in ministry commit to one or more blocks of \$100 a month to our ministry
Refugees Need Hope.



This is Wasem from Mosul who Randy helped get to a computer class.



In September Randy was part of a Back to School Bash for Children from Refugee families. Randy was able to pick up children and bring them to the event and connect with their families. Approximately 40 children were attendance.

