

# Church Engagement Fact Sheet for Migrant Crisis on the Southern US Border

As of 2018, there were more than 70,000,000 people who have been forcibly displaced from their homes. Recently, many migrants have fled violence and economic crisis in Central America and sought refuge in the US.

How should we respond?

We can neither bury our heads in the sand nor allow the migrant crisis to devolve into partisan politics. We must find ways to ‘welcome one another as Christ has welcomed us’ (Romans 15:7) while also being ‘subject to the governing authorities’ (Romans 13:1). Here is a list of resources to help you, your family, and church get involved.

*When a foreigner resides among you in your land, do not mistreat them. The foreigner residing among you must be treated as your native-born. Love them as yourself, for you were foreigners in Egypt. I am the LORD your God. - Leviticus 19:33-34*

8 things you should know about refugees.

How to pray for the migrant crisis.

Are there migrants living near us?

Church guide to immigration.

Stay informed.

**Then the righteous will answer him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?’ And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.’ – Matthew 25:37-40**

**Did you know that you can visit migrants who are being held in detention centers?**

List of detention centers in the US and information on arranging visits.

Ways to support ministry to migrants along the US-Mexico border.

Your church can host a refugee Sunday.

Get involved personally.

Read more.



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