

REFUGEE MINISTRY at North Way Christian Community



Prayer Needs:

Around the world, war and persecution have forced millions from their homes to seek refuge in foreign lands. Several thousand of these individuals have found new homes in the Pittsburgh area. Many of these refugees arrive with almost no possessions, few connections, and limited English language skills.

- Pray for these refugees as they work to make new lives for their families far from home.
- Pray for North Way members partnering with local ministries serving refugees.
- Pray about how you/your group can get involved in helping this vulnerable population.

Ways to Get Involved:

GIVE – Donate household items and clothing through partner organizations. Opportunities include North Way’s annual Warm Coat/New Toy drive. Other opportunities often arise for groups or individuals to participate in donation drives involving refugees with local organizations.

LEARN - Learn more about refugees and immigrants in our community and our world. You can get started by working through this [40-day scripture and prayer plan](#) focused on welcoming immigrants and refugees. We also occasionally host events to raise awareness and tell the stories of local refugees, which you can attend to learn more. For additional resource recommendations, email refugeeministry@northway.org.

Imagine Conference - The Imagine Conference is a biannual event that brings to life what it looks like to serve and love our neighbors near and far through inspiring speakers, educational breakout, and practical ways to engage in caring for the fatherless, the refugee, single moms, and trafficking victims.

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ONE TIME - Opportunities often arise for groups or individuals to participate in specific service projects involving refugees. These include house repairs and renovation, community improvement, and other projects. You can also volunteer to do simple tasks for local resettlement agencies like housing setups and grocery shopping for new refugee arrivals. In the past, we've partnered with local organizations like YWAM Kidz Club, Agapao Pittsburgh, and In the Steps of Boaz to provide one-time serving opportunities for mission trip groups, Rooted groups, and small groups, as well as individuals.

ADVOCATE - Find ways to help others learn about and care for refugees in our community. Invite friends and family to the Imagine Conference. Attend a one-time serving opportunity together. Host a donation drive for a local refugee resettlement organization. Invite your small group to go through a book like Seeking Refuge together to learn more. Advocate on a national and global level with these action steps from [World Relief](#) and the [Evangelical Immigration Table](#). We'll help you understand how you can engage others in caring for refugees in our city and world.

SERVE - Step into transformational relationships with refugees and immigrants in our city by serving with local organizations on a regular basis. We partner regularly with Agapao and In the Steps of Boaz to provide volunteers who can build relationships over time with local refugee families and individuals. Volunteers often help with ESL, transportation, cultural orientation, and more. Other volunteer opportunities with local resettlement agencies also exist to help families transition into their new lives here in Pittsburgh.

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