How can we reach out to immigrants?

Make Disciples...

As the scripture says, “Everyone who calls out to the Lord for help will be saved.” But how can they call to him for help if they have not believed? And how can they believe if they have not heard the message? And how can they hear if the message is not proclaimed?

Romans 10:13-14

How do I engage my church in reaching out to our immigrant neighborhoods?

In contacting your church, pray and ask God to direct you to the appropriate person(s) in your church. Contact them and share your heart and vision for this kind of outreach. Be prepared to engage in the activity yourself.

Materials are available to help give the church leadership some ideas on what kinds of outreach can be implemented. The outreach can be shared by a small group of individuals or the entire church congregation. Please register on our website and mention that you'd like additional information on how your church can become involved we'll gladly send you some specific ideas as well as a testimony of one church pastor's engagement in this idea.

Some churches are creating outreach opportunities around immigrants arriving in their communities. Others are welcoming worship groups of other faiths and reaching out to them in the name of Jesus.

Formation of small, home based, Bible Study groups is an excellent way to connect.

Hosting ESL (English as a second language) classes will attract immigrants interested in becoming part of their new community.

Within the church calendar, Holy Days (holidays) like Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter and even Pentecost provide wonderful opportunities for a church body to step outside their walls and welcome those new to the community.

If you are unsure where the immigrants are living in your community. Connect with churches in the metropolitan areas. Immigrants tend to cluster in housing and apartment complexes known to the metro churches. If you would like to be more precise and stay in your immediate area, use the website mappingcenter.org. This is a powerful mapping tool to identify the address of people in your community that speak a foreign language in their homes.
Church-based community sharing of the multi-language Jesus Film DVDs with immigrants!

There are tens of thousands of churches in the United States, and each is in some way near immigrants from another land. Multi-language DVD kits are now available with varied selections of the assorted multi-language DVDs inside (South Asian (16), East Asian (7), SE Asian (8), SW Asian (16) and the Horn of Africa (8)).

We will make the Jesus Film DVDs available to you at little or no cost. Simply visit our web site www.ChristForAllPeoples.org. You can search for the language you need and order the quantity of DVDs required for your program. You will find a number of other resources that may assist you on the website. For further help use the CONTACT US button on the website or Email us at info@christforallpeoples.org and we will have someone contact you.

Opportunities for Outreach

As an individual:

- Pray for the opportunity
- Look around for immigrants (convinces stores, nail salons, gas stations, restaurants, etc.)
- Engage in a conversation with the person
- Be positive
- Offer them a gift during a holiday like Thanksgiving, Christmas or Easter, and set up an opportunity to talk further (we find that a clear plastic bag with several items or just the DVD work best)
• Remember the relationship is the most important part of trust, showing God's Love is being God's Love to them.

As a Church

• Pray as a Body for opportunities for the entire church and ask us about training programs for outreach and gathering immigrants into the Family of God
• Examine your town or city and make a list of those whom you'd like to reach
• Coordinate the opportunities with special events or dates
• For church members to share with their international neighbors, friends, business associates or acquaintances
• Search for the languages you need and order the DVDs from our website www.ChristForAllPeoples.org
• To obtain outreach materials or discuss training with your church or ministry, Email us at info@ChristForAllPeoples to send us a message requesting more information!
• Provide a time of training on cross-cultural "dos and don'ts"
• Provide materials for outreach by various church members
• Set a specific time - day, week or other period - during which to have the encounters
• Schedule a time of praise and reporting on what God has done and is doing!

Summer Missions program:

• Join with volunteers from across the country; attend as a small group - 5-50 persons
• Reach the world without leaving the U.S.A.
• Limited opportunities; we'll work with you to find an outreach that serves your location and calendar needs
• Great for cross-cultural exposure and training
• Most opportunities would be 3-4 days over a weekend; some are a week, and others are all summer.

As part of a large outreach:

God has given us a unique opportunity in this country, and with it many ways to reach out to those who are from other lands. The Mission field is coming to Us!

• Whether an individual, organization, church or other, there are opportunities for sharing the Gospel with those from other countries. There are specific opportunities that are taking place during the year. Some will be suitable for summer mission trips by churches or college groups or family vacations!

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