JANUARY FEATURED MISSION: EXODUS WORLD SERVICE



Who is Exodus World Service?

Exodus World Service is a non-profit Christian organization based in Park Ridge, IL that is committed to mobilizing local churches and individuals to serve refugees in America. Refugees are people who have been forced to leave their own country because of persecution or a well-founded fear of persecution. Their persecution can be related to race, nationality, religion, political opinions, or membership in a particular social group. They become legal immigrants into the United States. Since its founding in 1988, Exodus World Service has brought help and hope to more than 65,000 refugees fleeing terror and persecution in 43 countries.

Exodus World Service educates the Christian community about refugees and their needs; designs innovative service projects that link Christian volunteers and refugees; and recruits, trains, and places volunteers in refugee ministry.

How can I get involved?

There are a number of ways you can get involved with Exodus World Service:

- 1. Sign up to donate new items for a Welcome to America Pack on the Church Center App, POP website or by calling the church office. Drop off your donations in the marked wood bins outside the church nursery by January 31.
- 2. Participate in education opportunities to learn more about refugees:
 - a. Exodus representatives will be at all services January 20/21 weekend and will lead Adult Bible Study at 9am on January 21.
 - b. We are hosting a Refugee Journey Simulation on Sunday, January 28 from 7-8:30pm. Sign up through Church Center.
- 3. Serve as a new neighbor mentor to an arriving family.
- 4. Make a monetary donation to the organization.
- 5. Pray for the refugee families and for the Exodus World Service volunteers.

How can I get more information?

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