

How can you support Refugee and Immigrant Ministry?

PRAY: MNA Refugee and Immigrant Ministry will be successful to God's glory to the extent that it is supported by the prayers of God's people. Please e-mail *phatch@pcanet.org* to join the prayer support team and receive periodic updates on what exciting things the Lord is doing!

GIVE: Make a tax deductible one-time gift—or make a monthly commitment to give—to Refugee and Immigrant Ministry online at *pcamna.org/refugee-and-immigrant-ministry/* or send a check clearly designated for MNA Refugee and Immigrant Ministry to:

Mission to North America

P.O. Box 890233 Charlotte NC 28289-0233

VOLUNTEER: Become part of the Refugee and Immigrant Ministry team so that more might be accomplished for God's glory! Email *phatch@pcanet.org* for more information.

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"And He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward Him and find Him."

ACTS 17:26, 27 ESV





"Please pray about how you might participate in this exciting ministry, and contact us!

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Why did MNA create a Refugee and Immigrant Ministry position?

The America in which we are living is changing:

- 1 in every 7 persons in the US and 1 out of every 5 in Canada was born in another country;
- In schools throughout North America, 1 of every 3 children is the child of an immigrant;
- These newcomers are a crucial part of the future of our nations, and our churches.

What might God be calling us to do now that people from "the uttermost parts of the earth" are literally coming to our doorsteps?

The Lord has provided an unprecedented opportunity for ordinary believers to demonstrate the love of Christ to persons from other nations living in our own com-

munities. As we develop authentic friendships across cultures, God allows us to share His Word and its impact on our lives. Many refugees and immigrants are already believers before they arrive in North America, and there is much we can learn from



them, and exciting opportunities for partnering to reach their people groups here as well as abroad.

A single genuine cross-cultural friendship has enormous potential for eternity to:

- revitalize churches with the presence and talents of diverse new believers,
- carry the Gospel into unreached people groups,
- support the work of missionaries abroad, and
- be a powerful witness to American non-believers, as they observe His power to unify hearts across cultures.



What is our vision and mission?

We encourage local PCA congregations and their members to move intentionally toward the vision God gave to John:

"... Behold, a great multitude that no one could number... from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb... crying out with a loud voice, ' Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb." Rev. 7: 9, 10 ESV

There is no "one size fits all" in refugee and immigrant ministry. We will gladly come alongside you to explore ministry possibilities such as:

- Refugee resettlement to assist those who have had to flee their homelands due to war or persecution;
- Outreach to international students in cooperation with Reformed University Fellowship International (RUFI), other evangelical campus ministries, or a ministry of your own design;
- Church-run or affiliated immigration legal clinics to provide reliable assistance to immigrants seeking to comply with the law;
- Collaboration with MNA Church Planting Ministries and with immigrant believers to provide encouragement and build bridges.

How might Refugee and Immigrant Ministry assist me or my church?

Do you sense that the Holy Spirit is leading you into this area of ministry? Would you like help in connecting with resource people and materials to move forward without re-inventing the wheel?

Are you interested in finding out what opportunities for service there might be with organizations in your area that serve immigrants?

Are you a college student looking for an internship working with refugees or immigrants?

Or a professional on sabbatical, or a recent retiree eager to see what the Lord might have for you to do in this area?

Are you a returned missionary or do you have overseas experience or language skills that you would now like to use?

Are you experiencing a "holy restlessness" to do something in this arena?

Are you an immigrant believer uniquely qualified to share Christ with other immigrants?

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And if you're already engaged in cross-cultural ministry in North America, please let us know so that others might learn from you!

