



**SEND Relief**

# Care for Refugees

Every year, thousands of families are forced to flee their homes with little-to-no notice. They escape with only what they can carry. They are people just like you who are seeking basic human rights like food, shelter and safety. You have the opportunity to come alongside these families in prayer and friendship. Here are 20 meaningful ways to pray for refugees in your community.

## PRAY FOR:

### Safety

- The means to escape persecution and war
- Consistent access to necessities like water, food, clothes, shoes and toiletries
- Reliable transportation to their new home countries
- Strength and persistence in acclimating to new cultures
- Jobs with a livable wage and trusted employers

### Healing

- Attentive medical care and spiritual support
- Comfort and time to grieve after the loss of loved ones
- True healing from the trauma sustained in their journeys
- The reunification of separated families
- A smooth adjustment period as they settle into their new homes

### Work of God in Their Lives

- God to make Himself known in their lives
- Supportive spiritual guides along the journey to help them grow and mature in faith
- Supernatural wisdom, strength and peace as they navigate difficult situations
- A church body that will welcome them with open arms
- The strength to share their faith with family and friends

### Their New Homes

- Their new communities to have grace as they adjust to new customs
- Them to be filled with patience as they answer questions about their lives and culture
- Affordable, safe housing
- Reliable work to be able to support their families
- Friends for their children

### Relief Agencies & Churches

- Networks of support to grow for refugees
- The further development of programs to financially and emotionally support families
- Church bodies to answer God's call to welcome their new neighbors
- Nonprofits to receive the funding necessary to remain open and operating
- Word to spread about the availability and willingness of churches to help refugees

*"For I was hungry and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty and you gave Me something to drink; I was a stranger and you took me in; I was naked and you clothed me; I was sick and you took care of Me; I was in prison and you visited Me." (Matthew 25:35-36, HCSB)*