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**Migration and Welcome:
Helping Others
to Navigate
Uncharted Waters**

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Exodus



Out of harm's way?



The Rohingya in a refugee camp





Great Serengeti Migration



Worldwide Human Migration



Scripture & Migration

Genesis 3:24

Lamentations 1:3

Zechariah 8:20-3

Book of Revelations 21:3

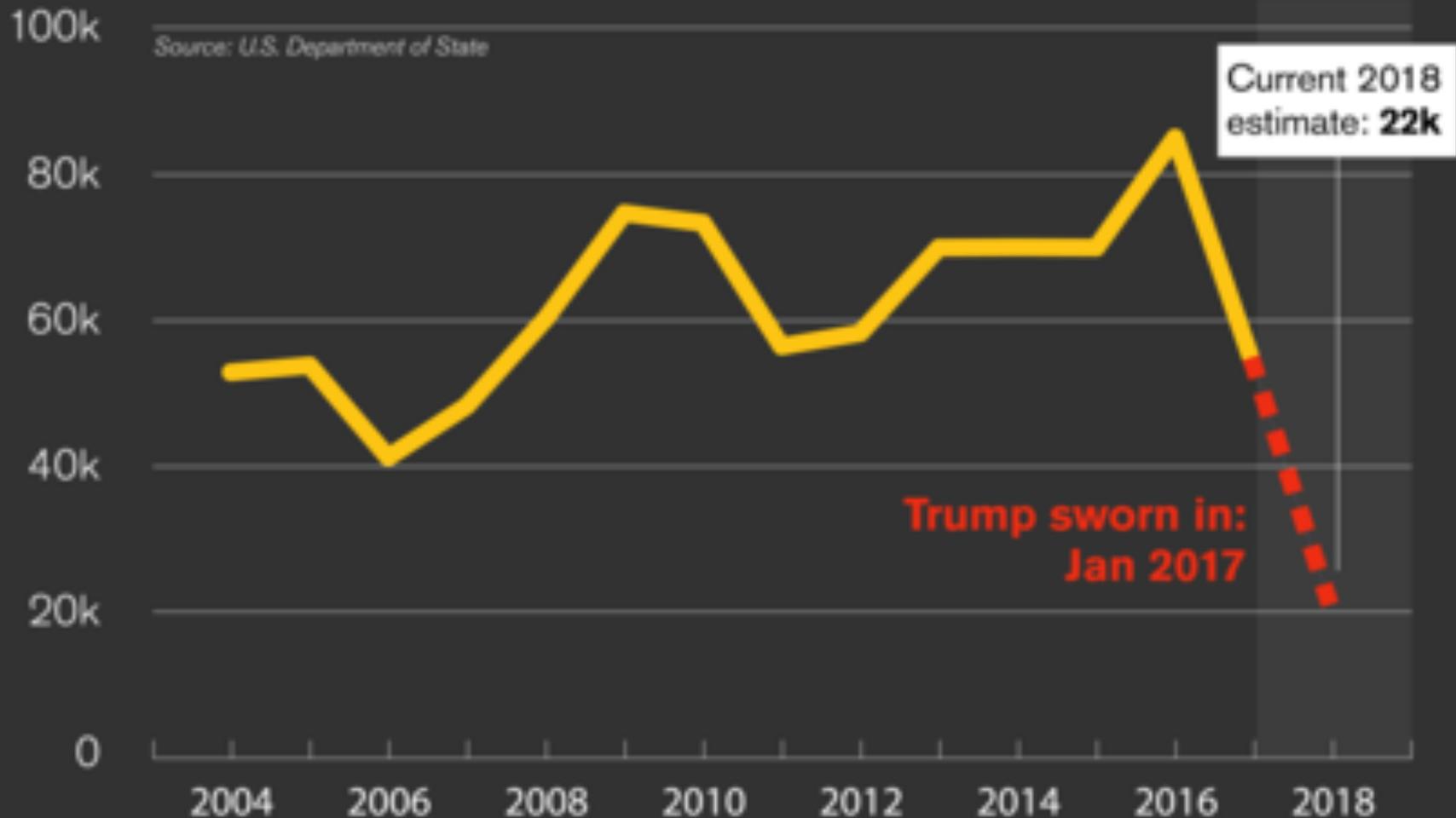
Exodus 17:3, and

... Jonah, Paul,

and “Amazing Grace”



Refugee arrivals 2004-2018





DACA = LIFE
NO DACA = DEATH

YOU ARE NOT ALONE
NO HUMAN IS ILLEGAL!

DEFEND DACA
DEFEND DREAMERS

No HUMAN BEING IS ILLEGAL

Gaza & Ferguson
Aleppo

We All Belong Here
We Will Defend Each Other

A Nation of Immigrants
Stands NOT

You're So Depressed

PROTEST

THERE ARE 65 MILLION
REFUGEES AND FORCIBLY
DISPLACED PEOPLE IN THE
WORLD TODAY.

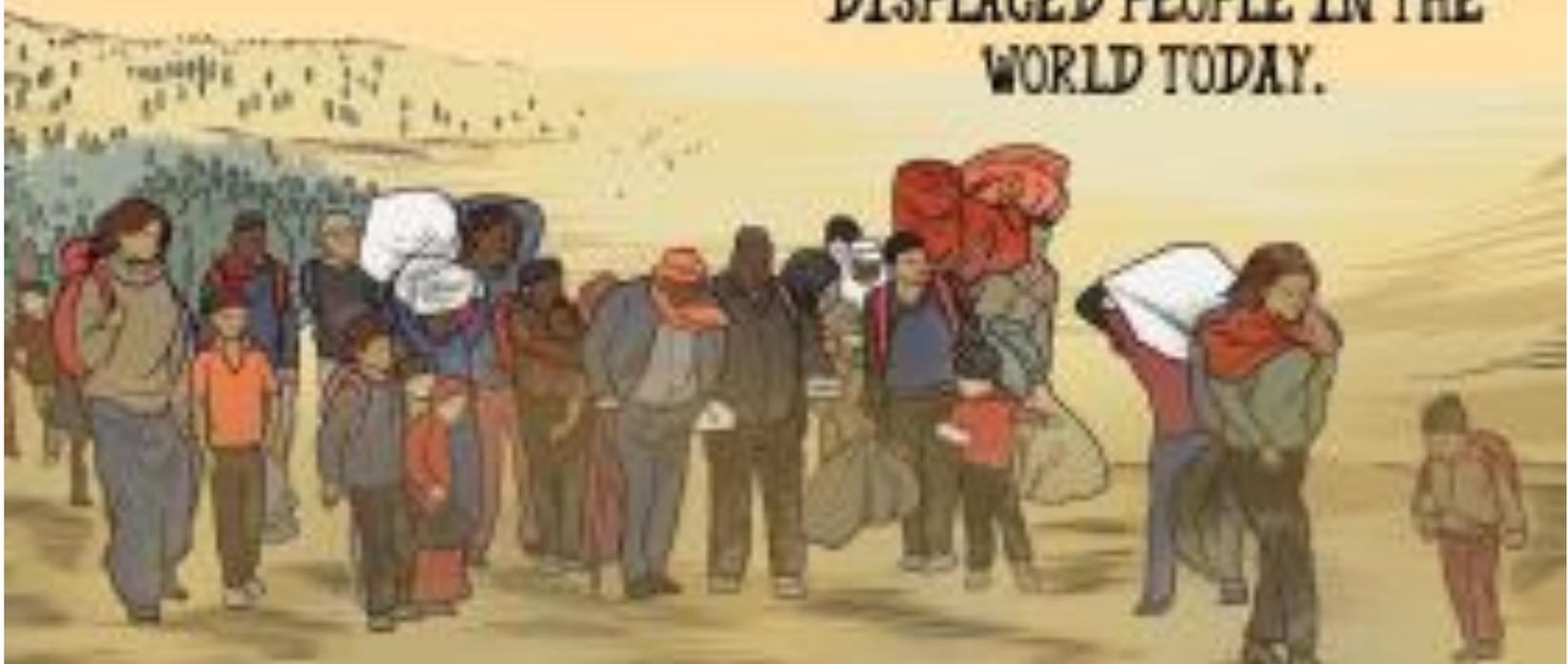


Image from “The Migrant,”
an animated video produced by
United Methodist Communications

The UMC Welcomes Migrants

Christ United Methodist Church in City Heights California

- <https://www.nbcsandiego.com/news/local/Mexico-Caravan-Asylum-Seekers-San-Diego-Border-Crossing-481554721.html>

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“Welcome the stranger ...”

Exodus 22:21

Matthew 25:40

Matthew 25:41-46

Hebrews 13:2

Forced Migration: Trail of Tears



Bans and separation?

Reaction to San Bernadino Shootings 2017 and the “Muslim Ban”

<http://www.bbc.com/news/av/world-us-canada-35036561/mixed-response-to-trump-s-muslim-comment>

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“Go back where you came from!”

Africa

Ireland

Italy

Japan

Germany

Politics of Immigration



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Faith Communities Stand for Welcome



Reflection

Turn to your neighbor to share
your family story.

How do you come to be in this place?

(5 minutes)



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UNITED STATES REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT PROCESS

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

English



UNHCR Identification and Referral



RSC Africa Interviews



USCIS Interviews



Approval



Denial



Medical Examinations



Cultural Orientation



Travel to the United States



United States Reception

In the U.S., you will find		In the U.S., you must	
School for children	Freedom from Persecution	Work Hard	Learn English

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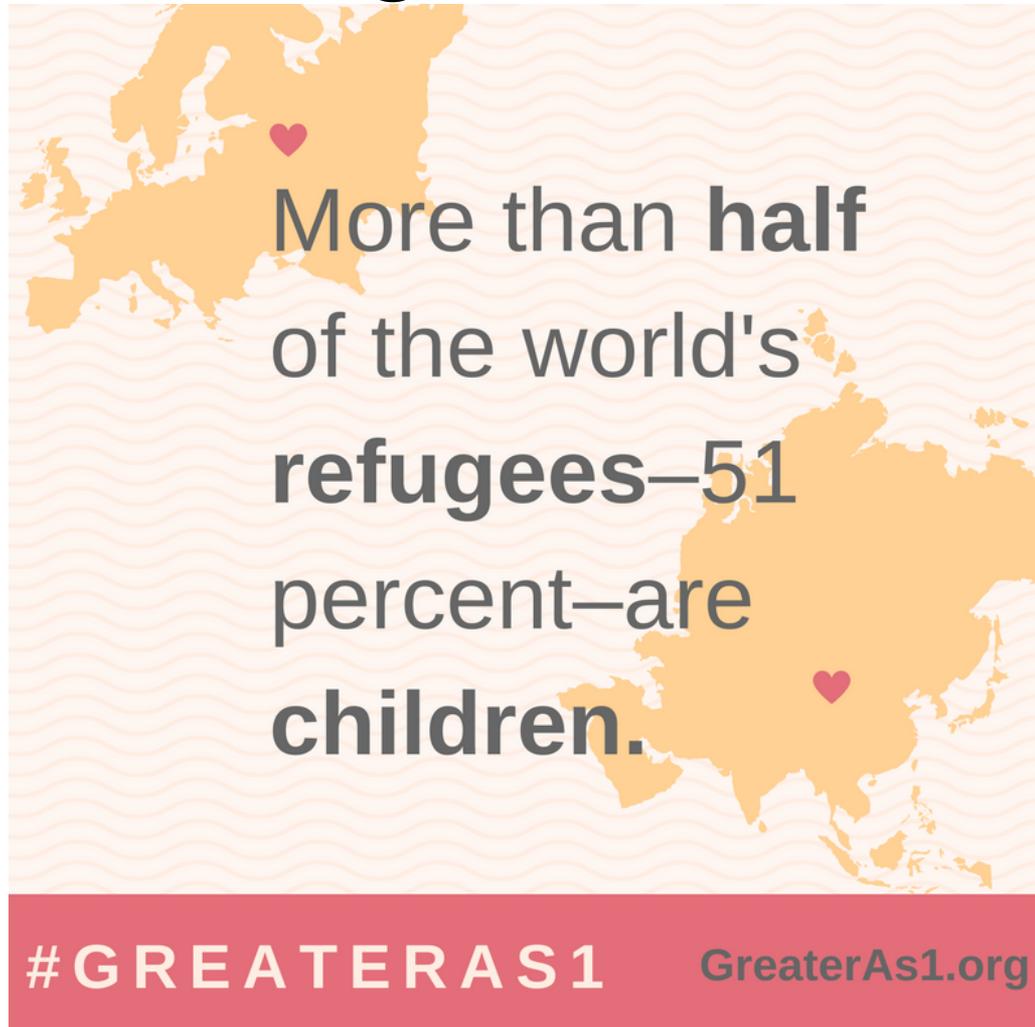
Central American Minors



STOP
SEPARATING
FAMILIES



Refugee Children



Temporary Protected Status

- TPS *ended* for:
 - Hondurans
 - Nicaraguans
 - Salvadorans
 - Sudanese
 - Haitians
 - Nepalese
 - Liberians

Reflection

Jesus said,

“Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them” (Matthew 19:14).

If your children were threatened – where would they go?

Who might help?



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Congregational Life



Protect Welcome, Restore Hope Resources for Worship Services to Honor the Journeys of Refugees and Immigrants

"We dedicate one Sunday to engage congregations in honoring refugees' and immigrants' journeys, educating our communities about the biblical call to welcome refugees and immigrants, and inviting congregation members to take action to publicly support refugee resettlement and the immigrant members of our communities."
- [Ecumenical Declaration, Signed February 10th, 2017](#)

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**“You
welcomed
me”**



Reflection

What does *walking humbly* have to do
with welcome?

What does *justice* have to do with welcome?
How might we keep these commandments
in our congregations?

(Table talk, 5 mins)



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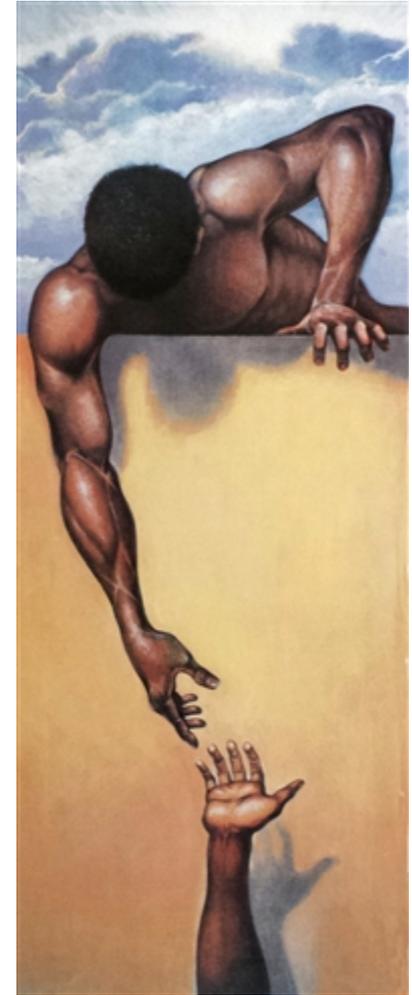
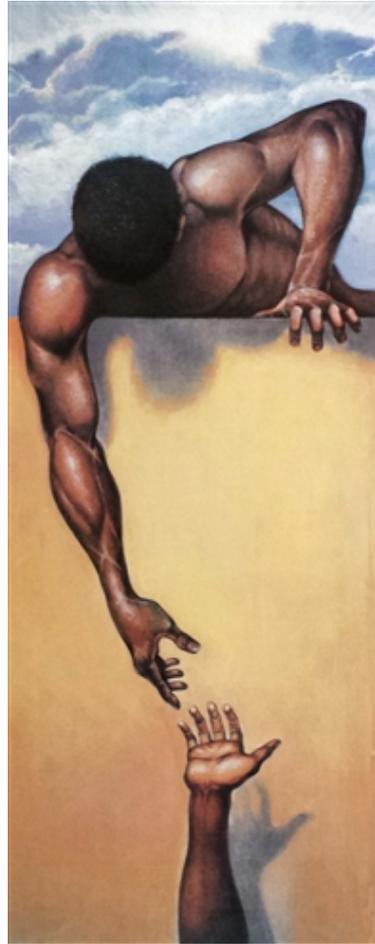
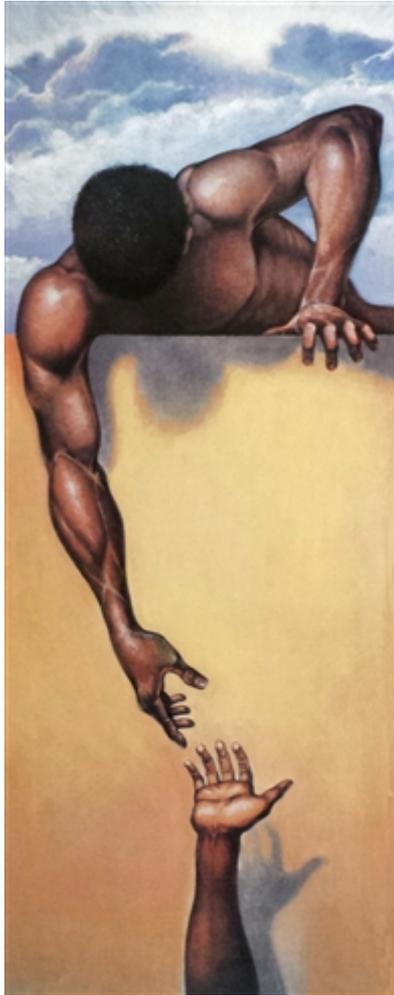
Sanctuary Movement

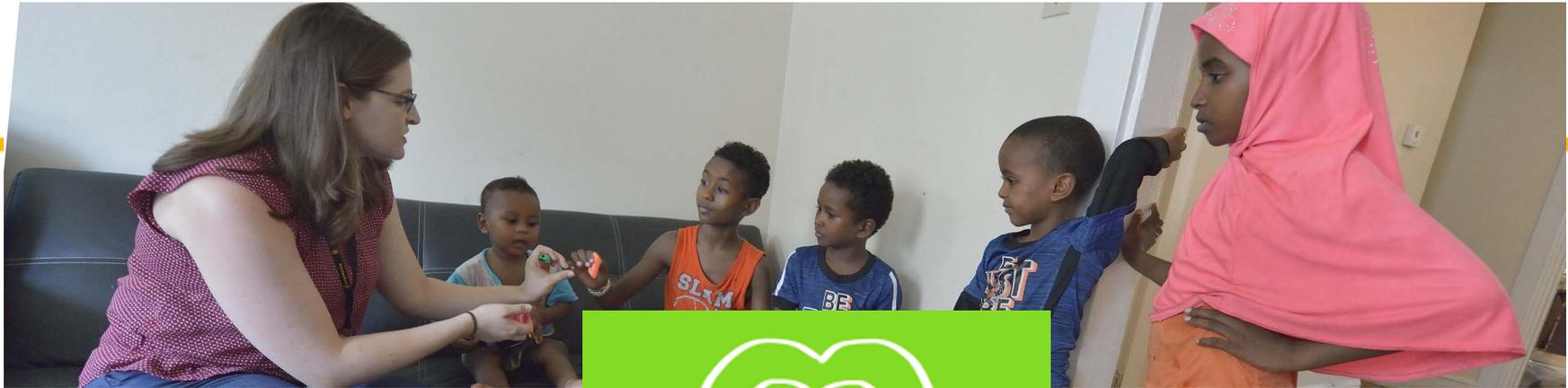


Promise, Opportunity and Hope









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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

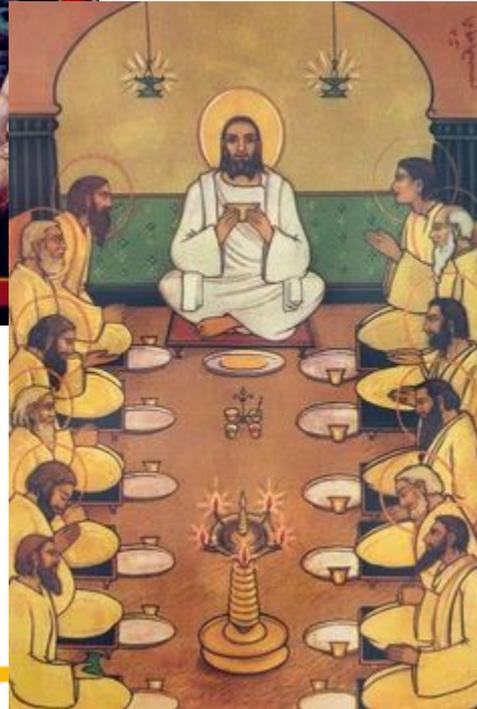
Raising Awareness about One Year of Refugee Bans

"I am a Somali and Muslim, this doesn't mean, I am a terrorist. I am afraid to hurt an insect"

CWS joined other organizations for a week of action January 27 - February 3, marking the one year anniversary of the first Executive Order by the Trump administration that banned individuals from seven (then six) Muslim-majority countries and all refugees from entering the United States.

resulted, and will continue to result in, long delays, family separation, and stranding vulnerable refugees who have no option for safety. These changes are resulting in tens of thousands of individuals and families who have already gone through the exhaustive vetting process in good faith and were promised refuge in the United States before their ban was implemented.





Home is where you are
welcome.

Thank
You

