

Refugee Sunday creative ideas for churches

In this document, you will find ideas to put in place with your church during the Refugee Sunday or throughout the week.

Build a prayer tent inside your church

The tent could be used as a place where people pray, or simply to remind people of the 65 million people who are currently displaced.

Sleep Out for Refugees

Sleep Out for Refugees is a simulation experience designed to enable young people or Christians of the church, to connect with the lives of refugees from across the world. Sleep Out for Refugees challenges people to spend 24 hours living in a temporary shelter and to eat a limited diet. During the 24 hours there will also be several opportunities to pray for refugees in different parts of the world. Our hope is that as people join in prayer and experience what life is like for refugees their hearts and minds will engage at a deeper level with a desire to see transformation in the lives of refugees.

Graffiti / prayer wall

Get a group to create a message wall (on several large flip chart pages) with pictures, words and messages depicting refugees (boats, tents, water, desert, ruin, loss, family, headline titles, scripture verses, etc). Ask others to add to it as they come and go.

#IamRefugees

Signatures' collection on a board to reveal the letters #IamRefugee, the process could be filmed and then displayed on internet and social media.

Example (we can imagine that people would be filling the blank letters of #IamRefugee with their signature): www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Yqjgi0nm98

Foot in solidarity

On a big paper, participants could put the print of their foot in solidarity with refugees (the banner could be then sent/hand out to the European Parliament or so).

Example of banner with painted hand prints:

