

St. Mark's ESOL Needs You!

There are more and more opportunities for the St. Mark's families to be involved in Outreach Ministries in Springfield and, for this, we are all very grateful. Hopefully, for those of you who are able to commit time to help your international neighbors, St. Mark's ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) will be your choice this spring. Only with the generous help of volunteers outside of our St. Mark's family, our year-round ESOL has been able to continue for the summer in our 20th year. To date, we have welcomed 59 learners to two classrooms. Four new classes begin on January 9th (Tuesday/Wednesday, 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM) Please help! Call Joan Smith at [703-354-2350](tel:703-354-2350).

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ENGLISH CLASSES

With the continued help of classroom volunteers from the community, our ESOL and Citizenship classes remain essential elements of integration within our English speaking neighborhoods. For this, we are very grateful and are eagerly preparing for new classes that begin on January 9th. Moreover, we are excited to congratulate the following students who recently completed the naturalization process: Ana, Jose, and Walter from El Salvador; Hoa from Vietnam and Christian from Ethiopia. We thank God and the people of St. Mark's for supporting our commitment to new American residents and citizens.

