5 Ways
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LAST WEEK, WE LEARNED THAT VULNERABLE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES ARE BEING DETAINED IN INADEQUATE FACILITIES AND THREATENED WITH DEPORTATION.

If you're like us, you believe that families belong together, and that this is a grave injustice that we must fight back against. As Christians, and as Americans.

As you contemplate how you can respond to this crisis, here are five things you can do right now to help vulnerable immigrants, both at our Southern border and here in the United States.

1. LEARN
2. INFORM
3. ADVOCATE
4. WELCOME
5. GIVE
1. LEARN

WE LIVE IN AN ERA WHERE INFORMATION IS MORE READILY AVAILABLE TO US THAN EVER BEFORE.

Whether through traditional news, social media or podcasts, accessing the information we’d like to find is not a difficult task. Yet sadly, distinguishing between what’s real and fake, is — because we also live in an era of fake news. Fact and fiction are more intertwined than ever before and often it’s not easy to tell which is which. We have a responsibility to be diligent about checking facts and stories before we absorb their truth (a good journalistic rule is to check a story is published on at least 3 reputable outlets). And when we do find the truth, to share it.

Here are some accurate stories and accounts that we’ve found to be helpful as we think about the border crisis:

1. **Associated Press Article:**  
   “Texas Border Facility is Neglecting Migrant Kids”

2. **Department of Homeland Security Report:**  
   “DHS needs to address dangerous overcrowding among single adults at El Paso Del Norte Processing Center”

3. **Christianity Today Op-Ed:**  
   “Fleeing North in the Full Armor of God”

4. **Evangelical Immigration Table E-Book:**  
   “Thinking Biblically about Immigrants and Immigration Reform”

5. **Book:**  
   *Welcoming the Stranger*

6. **Book:**  
   *Seeking Refuge*
2. INFORM

ONCE YOU FIND THE TRUTH, SHARE IT.

Be an advocate for truth and for news that is reputable, diverse and thought-provoking. Challenge stories you know to be false. Point friends and family to resources that you yourself have found helpful. Share content you know will elevate the conversation and speak truth to power.

3. ADVOCATE

CALL YOUR ELECTED OFFICIALS. YOUR VOICE HOLDS POWER. USE IT.

Familiarize yourself with the talking points so you can speak confidently, and with ease, speaking up for the rights of immigrant children and their families, both at the border and in the United States.

Here are some resources that can help get you started:

1. Visit worldrelief.org/call-to-reunite to find your local representative’s information.

2. Use these talking points:

   - We must immediately appropriate funds to care decently for kids
   - We must respect our asylum laws
   - We must get kids (and parents) out of custody as quickly as possible — not in Mexico (which isn’t safe and where there is very limited access to legal counsel) but with their family/friends in the U.S.
   - We must keep children and parents together, both at the border and within the U.S.
4. WELCOME

MANY FAMILIES WHO HAVE BEEN RELEASED ARE MAKING THEIR WAY TO EXTENDED FAMILY OR FRIENDS IN LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE U.S.

If you reside in a diverse community, it’s likely you have neighbors, friends and fellow community members who are immigrants. You have the opportunity to reach out in welcome and make a difference in the lives of your immigrant neighbor. In some communities, a local World Relief office may be able to help connect you to families looking for help and friendship. You can learn more here, about how we’re helping these immigrants rebuild their lives here in the U.S.

5. GIVE

WHEN YOU GIVE TO WORLD RELIEF’S FAMILY FUND, YOU HAVE THE POWER TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

This fund provides legal services (including asylum representation and counsel) and advocacy for more just and compassionate policies. We can make a difference in the lives of immigrant children and their families — but we cannot do it without your help.

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