

OUR REFUGEE CRISIS TEAM – SERVANTS OF CHRIST!

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REFUGEE CRISIS TEAM PRAYER REQUESTS

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS!

The Lesvos, Greece team will be traveling from January 28 to February 7 and here are their prayers...

PRAYERS BEFORE THEY GO!

- Pray for team unity
- Pray for strong faith
- Pray for their protection both spiritually and physically
- Pray that as a team they have very flexible spirits and obedient hearts
- Pray as a team they are motivated to “go the extra mile” in whatever way God asks of them
- Pray God opens blind eyes and softens hearts
- Pray we don’t go with a generalized idea of Muslims but rather that we embrace God’s love for all his children
- Pray for the refugees whom we have not met yet but whom God will place in our path
 - Help us to be bold in spirit when needed
 - Pray for their open hearts
 - Pray that Satan’s stronghold is broken and the refugees learn God desires a relationship with them
- Pray that none of us underestimate the amazing power of the holy spirit to answer prayer

JANUARY 28 - DEPARTURE DAY IS TODAY

- Pray for safety as they travel
- Pray they make all their connections without any problems and pray their luggage arrives without any issues
- Pray their hearts and minds are prepared for what God has for them

SPIRITUAL AWARENESS PRAYERS

- The team feels this is a dark time for the refugees a time when Satan would like to gain an even stronger foothold. Pray the team is a light in this darkness.
- At this time, entire groups of people whom we normally couldn't reach are leaving their country. Pray our team has the spirit to approach this opportunity with the love of Jesus and at the same time keeping them safe from attack from Satan.

JANUARY 29 - ARRIVAL AT LESVOS

- Pray for their rejuvenation after many hours of travel
- Pray for good networking as they meet the other half of their team from G.E.M and begin to work together
- Pray for the local islanders, they may see so many people intruding on their tourist island as a detriment. Pray our team is able to reach out to them through their local church in a tangible way.
- Pray for enthusiasm
- Pray for a strong team “can do” attitude

JANUARY 30 TO FEBRUARY 5 - WORKING IN MOIRA REFUGEE CAMP

- We ask that you lift the team up in prayer for these days as they build relationships with refugees and our missionary hosts: Kim and Jenny Garrity
- Pray the team is an encouragement to Kim and Jenny each day and that they would leave them refreshed.
- Pray God clearly shows Lee and the other team members how we, as a church body, are being asked to help in the future

WORKING IN MOIRA REFUGEE CAMP...

SPIRITUAL AWARENESS PRAYERS

- The team will be working long shifts both day and night please pray the team remains healthy and for the enemy to be bound!
- Pray for the holy spirit to give them opportunities to be witnesses for Christ and for the Muslims that they are meeting to be open to the gospel
- For their hearts to be open and touched for the refugee people that they will be meeting
- For clear direction in whom to reach out to
- Pray our team is spiritually strong and that those of us committing to pray for them are given the awareness to know when to stop everything and lift up the team as they meet this darkness head-on

WORKING IN MOIRA REFUGEE CAMP...

SPECIFIC PRAYER REQUESTS REGARDING THE REFUGEES

- Pray they learn God desires to know them as His children
- Pray they experience fellowship with the Lesvos team
- Pray we are able to see their needs and meet them
- Pray for relationships
- Pray for the Christians from Syria whom might be fearful to admit to their faith – pray they find encouragement and a voice in this new land
- Pray the hearts whom God has opened learn 1) conviction of sin 2) true repentance 3) forgiveness and 4) assurance of salvation through Jesus Christ!
- Pray our team finds good discipleship for the new believers, for the curious and for the despairing.

FEBRUARY 6 - TODAY IS DEBRIEF DAY IN ATHENS

- Pray our team is able to begin their transition from front line warriors to teachers of the rest of us
- Pray they are able to get some rest
- Pray they are able to decompress from a whirlwind of “doing!”
- Pray they find peace after all that they have seen, heard, and done
- Pray we all continue to lift them in prayer throughout the year as God leads them in this area of refugee relief
- Pray for the sadness of having to say “goodbye” to the people they have met and the refugees whom they have helped
- Pray they are able to keep connected as a team to the people whom God placed specifically in their path during their time in Greece
- Pray they have discernment regarding more trips to Greece as they discuss the time they have spent together
- Pray for Lee Content as she works with her team today and helps, guides and leads them toward the future.

FEBRUARY 7 - HEADING HOME

- Pray for safety, strength and courage
- Pray their flights are on time, etc.
- Pray they have time to mentally prepare for being back in the United States
- Pray they are ready to share their experiences
- Pray we, as their support group, are available to them and continue to commit to praying for each and every team member
- Pray the team continues to bond and be unified
- Pray the enemy is bound and the team is able to do all the work that is given to them when they return
- Continue to pray for the refugees

“WELCOME BACK TEAM!”