Bonus Activities

Older Children

True or False?: Choose several of the facts from here (https://kids.niehs.nih.gov/games/riddles/jokes/fun-facts-and-trivia) and ask children if they think they are true or false. Then, ask children to make up their own true/false questions. Talk about how Steve Clark and Annette Ellard help refugees know what they need to do to get what they need.

Preschoolers

Take a Trip: Bring items like suitcases and play clothes. Set up chairs like the seats on an airplane. Encourage children to pack their suitcases and get on the plane. Pretend to fly the plane, encountering turbulence, seeing birds, and seeing land from the air. Encourage children to imagine where they are going.

All Ages

Welcome Party: Gather items like butcher paper, crayons/markers, food, and noise makers. Encourage children to make a welcome banner and hang it up. Blow or ring noise makers. Enjoy a sweet treat. Talk about how we can help others feel welcome.

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Theme Overview

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Bible Verse

Romans 12:13
Take care of God's needy people and welcome strangers into your home.

Session Outline

Prepare

- Make copies of the Student Handout.
- Review the Story and Bible Verse.

Welcome

- Greet students as they arrive.
- **Ask**: "How do others help you? How do you help others?"

Engage

- Distribute the Student Handout.
- Read and discuss the Bible Verse.
- Work on the Handout Activity.
- Transition to Story Time.

Share

- Tell the Story, "Being Present Through Help."
- Share the photo and caption.
- Discuss the Story and pray.

Conclude

- Lead students in Bonus Activities as time permits.

Being Present Through Help

"Good morning, Annette," said Soe Wah. "Good morning, Soe Wah! It is good to see you today," said Annette. "It is good to see you as well. I need your help. You know that I have been working for several years now to get approval for my wife to join me here in Louisville. And we are finally almost there. Would you be willing to check my papers before I send them to make sure I've done everything right?" Soe Wah asked. "Of course, Soe Wah," Annette said. "I would be happy to! I am so glad to hear that the process is almost done." Annette helped Soe Wah check over everything and they submitted the paperwork to his lawyer. Finally, they heard the news: everything was approved for her to come! Soe Wah called Annette, telling her the good news. And he asked for one more thing: would Annette help coordinate the travel? He wanted to make sure they both ended up back in Louisville. Steve and Annette happily worked to coordinate Soe Wah's travel. And finally, years after Soe Wah and his wife were married, Steve and Annette got to welcome Soe Wah's wife to the United States. It had been a long process for Soe Wah. And he needed a lot of help. But that's why Steve and Annette were there. And they were grateful for all the ways they had been able to help Soe Wah and his fellow Karen refugees through their presence.

Discussion and Prayer ✱

- **Ask**: How did Annette and Steve help Soe Wah?
- **Ask**: What are other ways you think Annette and Steve may help Karen refugees?
- **Ask**: How can we help others in our community?
- **Say**: Annette and Steve helped Soe Wah through checking his documents, helping him make travel plans, and being there to greet his wife and him when they landed at the airport. They also helped him through the process of becoming a citizen. They help Karen refugees get what they need. They help them fill out forms and find jobs. Annette and Steve help refugees in all kinds of ways.
- **Pray**: Dear God, thank you for Annette and Steve and their presence in the lives of refugees. Help them to find ways to continue to help refugees. Please help the refugees have what they need. Amen.

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About 1,500 Karen refugees in Louisville	**Help refugees with forms**	**Help refugees become citizens**
Help coordinate travel	**Ministry to refugees from Burma**	**Work with lawyers to help refugees**