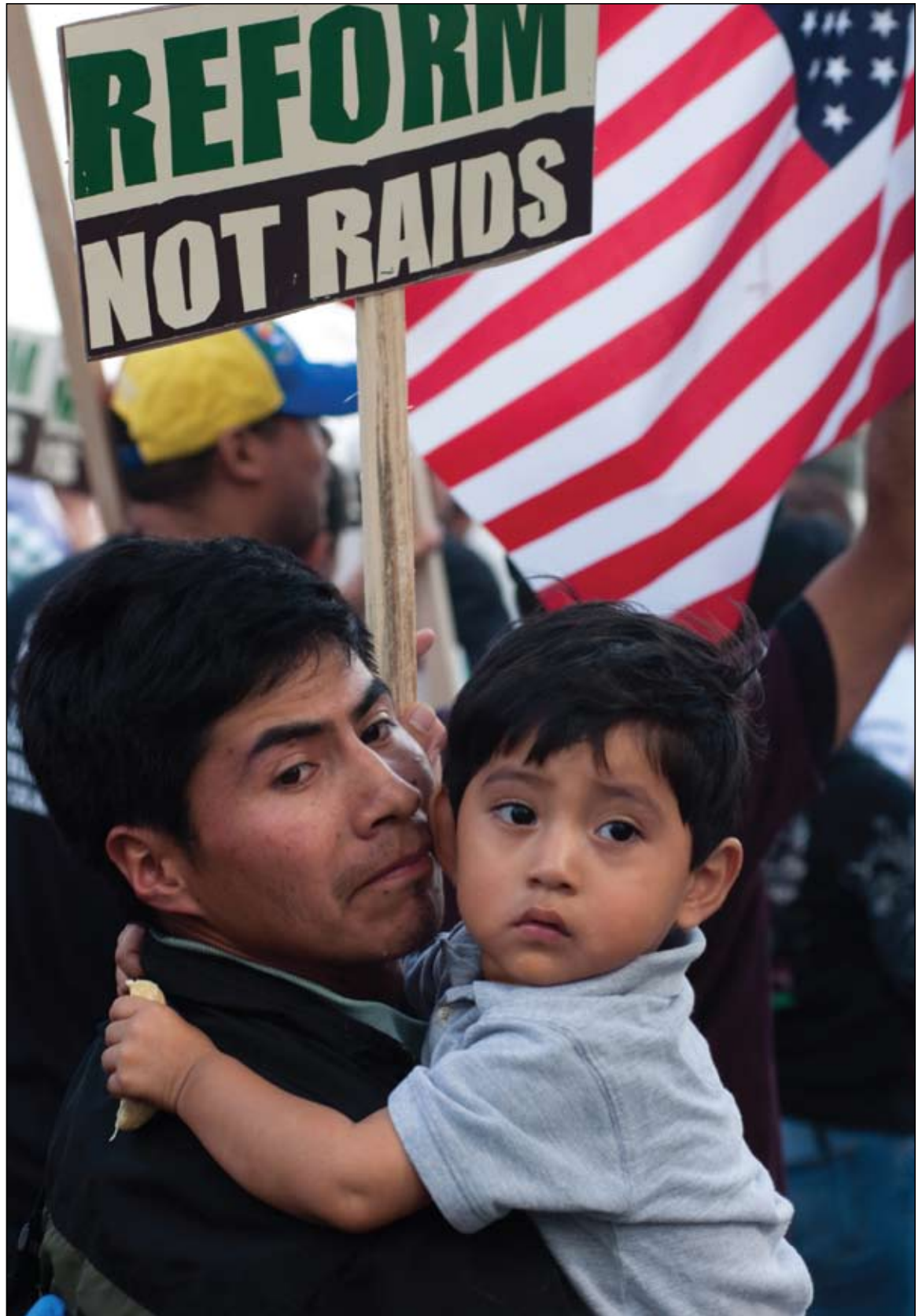


HOUSE PARTY

Organizers' Toolkit

Organize an immigration reform house party for people of faith near you!

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“My administration is fully behind an effort to achieve comprehensive immigration reform. It’s going to require a victory of practicality and common sense and good policy making over short-term politics.”

—President Barack Obama, June 25, 2009

Dear Organizers,

On June 25, 2009, President Obama met with key leaders to discuss the need for immigration reform. Mr. Obama has appointed Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano to work with Congress to draft comprehensive immigration legislation, and the president expressed confidence that comprehensive immigration reform can happen this year.

Now is the time for change. Unlike a few years ago, Americans from across the political spectrum are voicing support for laws that provide pathways for legalization and citizenship in addition to border enforcement. Mr. Obama’s meeting on June 25 is the first step toward much-needed improvement to our current immigration policy.

As Congress moves closer to drafting legislation, churches across the country are hosting town-hall meetings, prayer vigils, and house parties to discuss immigration and to encourage legislators to support comprehensive immigration reform. This toolkit will assist you in organizing an immigration reform house party in your community.

We are thrilled that you are committed to expanding the dialogue in our communities on immigration reform, and we look forward to partnering with you to achieve the necessary change for smart laws that help us “welcome the stranger.”

Blessings,

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What's a "House Party"?

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While our immigration reform house parties can be formal or casual, depending on your tastes, the party should primarily focus on engaging people in prayerful advocacy over the issue of immigration. Conversation and dialogue are central to the event, but house parties are not political debates. The tone for the evening should be supportive and mutually respectful.

Be intentional about inviting people who either already have a passion for comprehensive immigration reform or are likely to be interested in immigration reform but need more information. Make sure your advocacy goals and actions are clearly stated in the invitation. The sample invitation on page 10 demonstrates that the main point of a house party is for advocacy, not just education.

If you would like to focus primarily on educating a group about the basics of immigration, we recommend hosting a series of Bible studies or discussion groups before the house party in order to educate your church or community (see "Staying Involved," page 10).

This toolkit will equip you with the resources you need to organize and host an immigration reform house party and provide you with general "how-to" guidelines. Feel free to be creative and to tailor the options to best fit your context.

What Do I Need to Know as the House Party Coordinator?

FOR ANY HOUSE party, you will need to identify a coordinator and a host. These can be the same person, or you can team up with someone who is willing to provide the space and atmosphere you need for a gathering.

The host provides the home and hospitality for the event (see page 4). The coordinator is someone who is well-informed about immigration and has a passion to share the urgent need for fixing our nation's immigration laws with other people of faith.

The coordinator should already have experience contacting elected officials through postcards, calls, or personal visits, or should be willing to gain such experience beforehand in order to be prepared for questions from party participants. The coordinator can also create a team of people to assist in the planning, but it is important to clearly identify roles and responsibilities for each person.

What's the coordinator's timeline for throwing a house party?

3 WEEKS BEFORE THE PARTY:

- Identify someone to serve as house party host if the coordinator is not serving that function.
- Work with the host to determine the basics of the event—date, time, and location. Will it be in someone's home or hosted at church or a community center? Should it include a meal?
- Work with the host to set a target goal for attendance and to be in prayer about who to invite. House parties are best if kept to a small, intimate gathering. If you anticipate a lot of interest, consider hosting the same event twice or holding simultaneous house parties on the same night. As you plan, keep in mind that probably only half of the people you invite will attend.
- Work with the host to create a list of who to invite and how to manage RSVPs. Will you advertise this house party to your broader community?
- Discuss with the host estimated costs for the event (i.e., food, honorariums for the speaker and/or worship leader, art supplies, etc). Determine how to fund the event. Will your church help sponsor it? Many speakers are happy to volunteer their time, but it is polite to offer an honorarium if at all possible. Generally \$50 is acceptable for a speaker.
- Provide the host with invitations (in paper and/or electronic format).
- (optional) Invite a charismatic speaker in the area who is knowledgeable about immigration reform (i.e., clergy person, community organizer, elected official, etc.).
- (optional) Invite a worship leader to lead the group in singing at the beginning and/or end of the party.

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The host should be someone who has a passion for hospitality.

■ Register the event at www.faithandimmigration.org to let us know where house parties are taking place around the country.

2 WEEKS BEFORE:

■ Generate publicity leading up to your event by posting flyers, blogging, putting announcements in worship services and church bulletins, etc.

■ If you have not done so already, research your elected officials' positions on immigration reform. You may also want to research your denomination's stated positions on immigration reform or your particular church's past involvement in the immigration debate. *See Further Online Resources on page 11.*

■ Be in regular contact with the host about who has been invited and about RSVPs. People are motivated most by a personal invite. Decide if you or the host will make contact with each invitee on an individual level.

■ Secure the needed materials for the party (i.e., handouts, art supplies, phones, laptops, postcards, etc.). Will you ask participants to bring any or all of these materials?

■ Do an Internet search on your state senators to learn about their professions, areas of interest, and background, in addition to their stances on immigration. Compile each senator's information into a brief summary, and make a handout of these summaries for participants at the house party so they can know how to frame their advocacy messaging for each elected official.

■ Compile this information for the representatives of your area, or request in the invitation that each participant research this information for his or her representative. Go to <http://capwiz.com/nclr/dbq/officials> to determine your state's senators and representatives.

1 TO 2 DAYS BEFORE:

■ Go over the schedule of events with the host.

■ Practice the call-in example with the host (or whoever else has volunteered to help).

■ Remind speaker and/or worship leader about the event, sending any directions needed.

1 TO 2 DAYS AFTER:

■ Send thank-you notes to the host, speaker, worship leader, and all participants. Include ways for people to get involved in the future.

■ Pay the speaker and/or worship leader an honorarium, if one has been arranged.

■ Follow up with anyone who volunteered to host another party in the future or who wants to get involved in some way.

■ Post pictures from the party on the Christians for Comprehensive Immigration Reform Web site (www.faithandimmigration.org).

■ Send a copy of the sign-up sheet and any completed advocacy cards for elected officials to Christians for Comprehensive Immigration Reform c/o Sojourners at 3333 14th St. NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20010. We will hand-deliver your letters to the Washington, D.C., office of your member of Congress.

What Do I Need to Know as the House Party Host?

The coordinator and host may be the same person, or two different people. The host should be someone who has a passion for hospitality. The host could be someone who either is well-informed about immigration or wants to learn more.

What's the host's timeline for having a house party?

3 WEEKS BEFORE THE PARTY

■ Determine the basics of the event with the coordinator. What date and time will work best? Will it be at your house, a church, community center, etc.?

■ Should it include a meal? Make food arrangements based on the time of your event.

■ Develop an invitation list with the coordinator and goals for number of participants.

■ Discuss estimated costs with the coordinator and funding options. Will your church help sponsor the party?

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Inviting an immigrant in your area to speak at the house party highlights how the issue affects your local community.

2 WEEKS BEFORE:

- Send invitations.
- Keep track of RSVPs in some sort of spreadsheet (Microsoft Excel is great!). Be sure to record participants' contact information as they confirm their attendance.
- Recruit others to help with set-up and clean-up for the day of the event.
- Determine the space that will be needed for people to draft their talking points, make their calls, and write cards to their elected officials.

- Secure child-care providers, if needed.

1 TO 2 DAYS BEFORE:

- Work with the coordinator to personally call confirmed guests to reconfirm that they are coming.
- Remind guests to bring their cell phones for calling their representatives.
- Make sure DVD players, computers, or any other needed equipment are functioning correctly.
- Work with the coordinator to go over the agenda for the party and answer any last-minute questions.
- Secure any food and/or art supplies.
- Look up the call-in numbers and addresses for your elected representatives.

What Do I Need to Know as the House Party Guest Speaker or Worship Leader?

While a speaker or worship leader is not required for an effective house party, both can enrich the experience of the event. Inviting an immigrant or a speaker who works with immigrants in the area to your house party highlights how the issue of immigration affects your local community.

Possible speakers include a trusted immigration lawyer, church outreach pastor, or an advocate at a local immigrant ministry or organization. Consider inviting immigrants who are lawyers, pastors, advocates, businesspeople, or trusted leaders in the community. If you would like help finding a speaker in your area, contact Allison Johnson, Christians for Comprehensive Immigration Reform coordinator, at ajohnson@sojo.net.

Singing, praying, or worshipping together at a house party can be powerful ways to connect advocacy and activism with worship and reflection. The worship leader can be the music minister at your church or someone else from your church who has led worship before. Asking a musically talented youth to lead music may be another way to include different generations in the party.

What's the speaker or worship leader's timeline for the house party?

2 TO 3 WEEKS BEFORE THE PARTY:

- Speaker: Discuss any specifics to be covered in the message with the coordinator. Tailor your message to the sophistication of those attending. A story-based presentation will grab people's attention and give them a personal angle to include in their communications to elected officials.
- Worship leader: Discuss any particular songs, scripture readings, or liturgy with the coordinator. What is the predominant worship style for most of those attending? Will there be printed lyrics and music? Is there a sound system or audio-visual system available? For more worship resources, go to www.faithandimmigration.org.

1 TO 2 DAYS BEFORE:

- Confirm directions to the party. Confirm the number of attendees. Confirm the agreed-upon amount of time for the speaker or worship leader.

What Do I Need for a House Party?

A CHECKLIST:

- Cell phones for calling elected officials.
- Computers for researching information on elected officials in case additional information is needed or an attendee has a different representative. Go to <http://capwiz.com/nclr/dbq/officials> to determine a participant's representative.
- Have handouts available with instructions for calling elected officials. (See page 8.)
- Art supplies for reflection art pieces and/or to make cards to send to elected officials.



People learn best when they combine “meaning” with “action.” You will want to include some of both in your house party.

- A handout of background summaries for your state’s senators and your district’s representatives.
- Sign-up sheet to pass around to anyone interested in hosting their own house party or learning more.
- Camera to take pictures of the event.

A Sample Schedule for a Two-Hour House Party

3 MINUTES: Coordinator opens with prayer.

10 MINUTES: Everyone introduces themselves. (One good starter question is: Why do you care about immigration? What brought you here today?)

2 MINUTES: Coordinator outlines the schedule for the evening.

1 MINUTE: Coordinator introduces speaker.

15-20 MINUTES: Speaker’s presentation.

10 MINUTES: Discussion with the whole group.

5 MINUTES: (optional) Worship leader leads group in a couple of songs.

10 MINUTES: Reflection (see below for ideas.)

45 MINUTES: Advocacy (see below for ideas.)

2 MINUTES: Ask participants to text “justice” or “justicia” to 69866 to receive important updates and action alerts on immigration reform from the Reform Immigration For America network.

5 MINUTES: Pass out sign-up sheet to collect contact information of those interested in hosting an event in the future or in learning more.

5 MINUTES: Feedback from participants.

3 MINUTES: End the evening in prayer for God’s justice and for God to reveal other ways to seek justice.

Suggestions for Reflection and Advocacy

People learn best when they combine “meaning” with “action.” You will want to include some of both in your house party. These activities differ in the amount of time they take, so be sure to combine ideas so that the entire house party fits into a 2-hour time frame.

Reflection Ideas

Engage in immigration through the arts. These activities are geared toward all ages. Children should be invited to participate.

1. Perform a bibliodrama and act out immigrants’ stories from the Bible. Some immigration-related passages in scripture include Genesis 42:1-5, Numbers 20:14-21, Ruth 1-2, Matthew 2:13-15, and Acts 18:1-3. To learn more about how to create a bibliodrama, go to “Bibliodrama Basics” at www.morim.org/GetFile.aspx?id=3466.

2. Create your own artwork related to migration. Ideas include:

- weave a tapestry where each strand represents the heritage traditions of your community.

- make a collage of images or objects that represent the word “immigration” to you.

- sculpt a piece of pottery that expresses your feelings toward immigration.

3. Watch a short movie about immigration. Recommended movies include:

- *Dying to Live* (33 minutes), www.dyingtolive.nd.edu

- *Made in LA* (70 minutes), www.madeinla.com

- *The Line in the Sand* (49 minutes), www.crs.org/dramaproject

- *The Visitor* (104 minutes), www.thevisitorfilm.com

4. Host a brief discussion on immigration. Some good questions are:

- What does the Bible teach us about immigration?

- How is our current immigration situation similar to immigrants coming in the 18th, 19th, and early 20th centuries? How is it different?

- How does immigration benefit the U.S.? What challenges does immigration raise?

- Is there any particular aspect of immigration that most interests you? Why?

- What should effective immigration legislation include? Why?

- What do you know about your family’s immigration story? How is it the same or different from current immigrants’ struggles?



A clear pathway to legalization and citizenship allows 12 million people in this country to come out of the shadows and fully contribute to the rich immigrant tradition of the United States.

- What is the role of the church in the current immigration debate? What do you wish to see more or less of in Christian conversations and communities?

IDEAS FOR ADVOCACY

Sign the Statement

Sign the Christians for Comprehensive Immigration Reform statement supporting reform that is consistent with humanitarian values, supports families, provides a pathway to citizenship for immigrant workers already in the U.S., expands legal avenues for workers to enter the U.S., and examines solutions that address the root causes of immigration. Go to <http://go.sojo.net/campaign/ccir>. Encourage your house party guests to sign the statement.

Send a Card to Congress

Make cards to send to your senators and representatives, urging comprehensive immigration reform (see the “Sample card to send to your elected official” below). This activity is family-friendly, and children should be invited to participate.

- Both adults and children can make cards that have as little or as much drawing as they would like.
- Children can be encouraged to draw pictures of their family or community, and to write why they care about new people in their community. (Children may need an adult’s help with writing their message.)
- Adults can write stories or give examples of why they care about immigrants in their communities.
- Handwritten letters and notes are always more noticeable than faxes and e-mails to Congress.
- If time allows, make cards for each one of your representatives.
- Return all completed letters and cards to the coordinator. Send your letters in one package to Christians for Comprehensive Immigration Reform, c/o Sojourners at 3333 14th St. NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20010. We will hand-deliver your letters to the Washington, D.C., office of your member of Congress.

SAMPLE CARD TO SEND TO YOUR ELECTED OFFICIAL

Dear [Representative/Senator] _____,

I am writing you to urge you to support comprehensive immigration reform in 2009. My Christian faith teaches me that we should live in the light, and not in the shadows. A clear pathway to legalization and citizenship allows 12 million people in this country to come out of the shadows and contribute fully to the rich immigrant tradition of the United States. I hope you will continue to honor this tradition by supporting comprehensive immigration reform this year.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

[Address]

Call Your Members of Congress

- Explain what a call-in is. It’s when constituents contact their elected officials via telephone in order to advocate for particular legislation, such as humane immigration reform that leads to legalization and citizenship.
- Have two leaders (host, coordinator, speaker, and/or worship leader) act out a phone call so participants can learn what to expect. Have one person play the “caller” and the other the “receptionist/answering machine/staffer/elected official.”
- Review the summaries about your elected officials and their positions on immigration reform based on the information the coordinator provides.
- Draft talking points for each elected official based on the summaries the coordinator provides. If some participants have the same elected official(s), they can work together to draft talking points.
- Break into groups of two and practice a call and practice leaving a message.
- Give each person a cell phone and have them call their elected officials. See below for instructions.



Why do you personally think immigration reform is important? Tell your own story.

What You Need to Know for Calling Elected Officials

1. Make sure you know who your elected officials are. Call the Capitol switchboard at (202) 224-3121, or go to <http://capwiz.com/nclr/dbq/officials>. Obtain the names and numbers for the local offices and D.C. offices of your representative and two senators (unless you live in the District of Columbia or a U.S. territory).

2. Review the background information of each of your elected officials. Knowing their passions and background can help you decide how you want to draft your talking points. Discuss this information with others who may have the same officials.

3. Draft your talking points. Why do you personally think immigration reform is important? Tell your own story.

4. Practice your call with someone else. Also practice leaving a message. It is very important to leave a message! Office staff members are required to take note of any messages that are left. Keep your message brief, and be sure to leave your contact information. Craft your message around your talking points.

5. Make the call. Leave a message if no one answers. If you do reach a person, ask to speak to the office's staff person for immigration.

If you are speaking to the staff person for immigration:

- Explain that you are a constituent from the member's district.

- Use your talking points to explain your reasons for supporting immigration reform in 2009. Jot down some notes, and don't feel intimidated—you don't have to be an expert to have a respectable and notable opinion! It is your right as a voter to express how you feel.

- Ask questions and listen. Don't do all of the talking. Sometimes staffers want to talk, and it's a great chance to hear their opinion.

- See below for some sample questions to ask the staff person.

- Take notes and be honest. The staffer may genuinely be curious about the issue, but not know much. If they ask you a question that you don't know how

to answer, don't worry! Just let them know that you are not sure, and you can get back to them with an answer. If you need help tracking down the answer, contact Allison Johnson at Christians for Comprehensive Immigration Reform (ajohnson@sojo.net). Be sure to call back later once you figure out the answer.

- Thank the staff person, and be sure to get his/her contact information (there may be other issues in the future you may wish to discuss with him/her).

6. Repeat the process with each elected official.

Sample questions for you to ask the immigration staff person in your representative's office:

- What is the top issue about which Sen. Jones feels most passionate? (Use this question to connect their interests to the topic of immigration.)

- What is Sen. Jones' position on comprehensive immigration reform? (Thank the member if he/she has been supportive in the past.)

- (If the member already supports comprehensive reform): How can we, as constituents, help you to ensure that immigration reform happens in 2009? What are concrete and effective ways we can show the senator support on this issue?

- (If the member is not supportive of comprehensive reform): What particular pieces of the immigration reform legislation are preventing the member from offering her/his full support? What's the best way for providing the member with information to address his/her concerns?

- There are a number of very important issues facing Congress in 2009. How does the representative see comprehensive immigration reform as connected to health care reform, the economic stimulus, support for education, and veterans' benefits—or other pressing issues before Congress?

STAY CONNECTED

Help your host keep you informed about the issues by filling out the form below.

To receive updates about local and national issues of faith and justice, please check the boxes below.

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Hosting a house party is a great way to put your faith into action on behalf of immigrants. Now your job is to keep yourself and your new house party friends informed and involved!

Sample Invitation

Want to support immigration reform, but not sure where to start? Come to an immigration reform house party!

We'd love you to join us for a time of fellowship, education, and advocacy on behalf of this nation's 12 million people who live in the shadows. As members of Congress move closer to drafting immigration legislation, people of faith across the country will be hosting events in order to encourage our legislators to support comprehensive immigration reform.

President Obama is confident that reform can happen in 2009, and we want to show our legislators that we are, too!

Please bring your whole family (children included!) to [location] at [time] on [date] to [make cards and/or call your elected officials].

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Place: _____

Time: _____

What to Bring: _____
[what do you want participants to bring? Cell phones, laptops, food, art supplies, stamps, etc.?)

Please RSVP by [date].

We look forward to seeing you there!

Sincerely,

[Coordinator]

"The stranger who resides with you shall be to you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt; I am the LORD your God."

—Leviticus 19:34

Staying Involved

Thanks for your great job hosting an immigration reform house party! Hosting a house party is a great way to put your faith into action on behalf of immigrants. Now your job is to keep yourself and your new house party friends informed and involved! The following is a list of possible ideas to continue the conversation or go deeper in your advocacy.

Education and Community Engagement

1. Encourage your pastor to preach on hospitality. Go to www.faithandimmigration.org to find our sermon illustration guide. (Look under "Resources.")

2. Organize a small group study on immigration using *Strangers in the Land*, Sojourners' six-week devotional guide on immigration, church, and the Bible. Available at store.sojo.net.

3. Organize a book club that discusses immigrant literature. Recommended titles include:

- *Caramelo*, by Sandra Cisneros
- *The House on Mango Street*, by Sandra Cisneros
- *Brother, I'm Dying*, by Edwidge Danticat
- *How the García Girls Lost their Accents*, by Julia Alvarez
- *The Circuit*, by Francisco Jimenez (great for children and adults!)
- *When I Was Puerto Rican*, by Esmeralda Santiago (great for young adults and adults!)

4. Search museums in your area for any exhibitions by immigrant artists. Some museums sponsor talks where the artist discusses her/his work. Attend one of these talks, or invite the artist to your church to discuss his/her work.

5. Host an exhibition at your church of the artwork created at the house party. Invite interested participants to speak about their art pieces.

6. Host a worship service or celebration of cultural diversity in your church. Encourage members to tell the stories of their own families and immigration.



Write a letter to the editor, meet with your member of Congress, or host a prayer vigil.

7. For more ideas, check out “How to Engage Your Church on Immigration” at www.faithandimmigration.org/content/how-engage-your-church-immigration.

Advocacy and Awareness

1. Write a letter to the editor or an op-ed piece in your local paper calling for compassionate dialogue and comprehensive immigration reform from a moral perspective. Instructions as to how to write an op-ed are available in *Welcoming the Stranger: A Toolkit for Christian Education and Action on Comprehensive Immigration Reform* at www.faithandimmigration.org.

2. Meet with your member of Congress while they are in their district and share your perspective as a person of faith who wants to see comprehensive immigration reform passed this year. You can use Christians for Comprehensive Immigration Reform’s joint statement of principles as a guide.

3. Host a prayer vigil calling for comprehensive immigration reform.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Online Resources

- Christians for Comprehensive Immigration Reform at www.faithandimmigration.org
- Migration Policy Institute at www.migrationpolicy.org
- National Immigration Forum at www.immigrationforum.org
- Reform Immigration for America Campaign at www.reformimmigrationforamerica.org
- Interfaith Immigration Coalition at www.interfaithimmigration.org
- Denominational Statements on Immigration Reform at www.welcometheimmigrant.org/denominational-statements

Immigration Resources from Sojourners at store.sojo.net

STRANGERS IN THE LAND

A Six-Week Devotional Guide on Immigration, the Church, and the Bible, by the editors of *Sojourners* and based on *Christians at the Border*, by M. Daniel Carroll R.

LOVING OUR NEIGHBORS

Christians and Immigration, a four-session downloadable discussion guide bringing together the best of the articles on immigration from *Sojourners* magazine.

WELCOMING THE STRANGER

A Toolkit for Christian Education and Action on Comprehensive Immigration Reform provides resources ranging from a biblical overview of immigration to a guide on how to write a press advisory. It is designed to help people of faith educate their communities, advocate with policymakers, and get the word out through the press about a compassionate stance on immigration reform.

‘I WAS A STRANGER AND YOU WELCOMED ME ...’

Sermon Resources on Immigration equips and inspires pastors with preaching material on the Christian teaching of hospitality and the biblical call to “welcome the stranger.”