

COMMITTEE		ASSEMBLY	
Action: ___ Adopted	Vote: ___ For	Action: ___ Adopted	
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WORKING WITH IMMIGRANTS
USA/Canada Mission/Evangelism Department

RESOLVED that the 27th General Assembly of the Church of the Nazarene go on record affirming the following:

1. Provide pastoral care and crisis intervention to immigrants and to build bridges with the immigrant community, regardless of their legal status.
2. Provide technical and financial assistance to local churches in compassionate ministry with undocumented immigrants and asylum seekers.
3. Become more informed and active citizens, using our voices and votes to speak for the voiceless, to defend the poor and the vulnerable, and to advance the common good.
4. Encourage our leaders to show their support for congregations composed of or working with immigrants who may or may not have documents.

REASONS:

1. Whereas, God has demonstrated a profound love for the needy and disenfranchised; and,
2. Whereas, Jesus exemplified proactive consideration for the marginalized in society, i.e., the outsiders; and,
3. Whereas, Christians have a responsibility to ensure fair and equitable treatment of aliens and strangers.

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