

## PRAYER GUIDE FOR MISSION TEAM TO LESVOS GREECE

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*Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?*

*Matthew 25:37*

Friends,

We thank you for your partnership with us in this mission to Lesvos Greece under the auspices of Greater Europe Mission and New Harmony Presbytery. We ask you for your prayerful support as we prepare in these next weeks and as we are away. We believe that God's power and provision is unleashed through prayer and we are depending upon God to provide for our needs and the needs of those we will serve. Each of us feels called by God to serve in Lesvos and we give thanks for this opportunity.

### **Preparation**

*We are asking the Lord:*

- To give us insight in Packing needed supplies, both those material and spiritual
- For Spiritual, mental, and physical health as we prepare to leave
- Reassurances for our families and significant others

### **NHP Team**

*We are asking God for:*

- Unity of purpose within our team
- Safety in travels and health during our stay
- Joy, patience, and love in service to each other and to others
- Clear communication among our team
- Opportunities to share this experience upon our return home, and insight in how best to do that
- That we may care for ourselves as good stewards in order that we may care for others.

### **Ministry Among Refugees**

*Please pray that God will:*

- Equip us with the empathy and strength necessary to meet physical and emotional needs
- Supply the necessary words/actions to make Jesus known
- Guide us to those we can aid and connect with
- Bless our ministry of presence
- Give us opportunities to serve women and children in addition to men
- Show us where God is already at work, and help us to join Him there
- Enable us to communicate HOPE to these refugees in a seemingly hopeless situation
- Enable us to be culturally sensitive to both Syrian Muslims and our Greek hosts; that we may behave in culturally acceptable ways
- Enable Lisa to communicate in Arabic (she is studying)

### **Greater Europe Mission Staff**

*Ask God to:*

- Give wisdom for the guidance of the teams that will work under them
- Strength and encouragement for the long term.
- Shirley, Elizabeth, Kim and Jenny Garrity ( our supervisors. We thank God for they are doing)
- Give them patience with the volunteers

### **Syrians and other Refugees**

*Pray that:*

- Monetary support will continue to provide aid for them
- Needs will be met as they become known
- That families may be reunited
- That they may have hope
- That they may find God's purpose in their lives
- That they might find peace in their difficult circumstances
- Tensions would be at a minimum and the camp atmosphere in Moria would remain peaceful

### **The Syrian Crisis**

*Please pray for:*

- Worldwide awareness and compassion for the plight of these people
- Worldwide support for the end of this crisis
- Peace for this war torn country

### **The Greek people**

*Please pray for:*

- A sustained determination to help those in need
- That their economy may recover
- That they know the appreciation of the world for their actions