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**DVDs:**

**BE THERE. BE HOPE. (102039)**  This DVD contains short segments that show the work of United Methodist Committee on Relief in three important program areas: disaster response, hunger, and immigration. Segments: Justice for our neighbors--in-depth view (7 min.); Justice for our neighbors--turning lives around (4 min.); U.S. hurricane recovery (4 min.); World hunger (3 min.). Age: Adult. 18 Minutes.

**DYING TO LIVE: A MIGRANT'S JOURNEY (104003)** This DVD gives a profound look at the human face of the migrant. It explores who these people are, why they leave their homes, and what they face in their journey. Drawing on the insights of photographers, theologians, church and congressional leaders, activists, musicians, and the immigrants themselves, this documentary explores the places of conflict, pain, and hope along the US-Mexico border. It is a reflection on the human struggle for a more dignified life and the search to find God in the midst of it all. Also includes additional film footage of interviews with the executive producer and six other participating scholars. Age: High school - Adult. 33 Minutes.

**FORGED BY FIRE: UNTOLD STORIES OF FAITH (106016)** This series of five extraordinary stories, told by United Methodist people with a commitment to being the church in a transformed society, takes root in the deeply complex historical struggles of their ancestors. These stories point to the resilience of the church and people of faith as they dare to act with freedom and with unity to restore community and resist dominant norms, behaviors, and perceptions that justify hate based on race, ethnicity, nationality, and language. Five segments: 1) U.S. Internment of Japanese American Communities (10 min.); 2) The Trail of Tears: Cherokee Forced Removal (9 min.); 3) Underground Railroad: African-American Passage to Freedom (7 min.); 4) When the Border Crosses over Us: Hispanic/Latino Struggles on the U.S. Mexican Border (12 min.); 5) The Newest Immigrants: Pacific Islanders (8 min.). Includes guide. Age: High school - Adult. 46 Minutes.

**PUSHING THE ELEPHANT (116075)** Author: Davenport, Beth and Mandel, Elizabeth. In the late 1990s, Rose Mapendo lost her family and home to the violence that engulfed the Democratic Republic of Congo. She emerged advocating forgiveness and reconciliation. In a country where ethnic violence has created seemingly irreparable rifts among Tutsis, Hutus and other Congolese, this remarkable woman is a vital voice in her beleaguered nation’s search for peace. When war came to Rose’s village, she was separated from her five-year-old daughter, Nangabire. Rose managed to escape with nine of her ten children and was eventually resettled in Phoenix, Arizona. Over a decade later, mother and daughter are reunited in the US where they must face the past and build a new future. As they get to know one another, they must come to terms with a painful past, and define what it means to be a survivor, a woman, a refugee and an American. We explore the long-term and often hidden effects of war on women and families, particularly those in traditional societies—financial despair, increased susceptibility to rape, and social ostracism. This is a powerful first-person portrait of an indomitable woman dedicated to peace and the healing power of forgiveness. A moving, joyful and hopeful chronicle of refugee experience and acculturation in the U.S. today, this film is also an insightful portrait of the changing face of immigration in our increasingly diverse society. Subtitles are provided during times of foreign dialogue. Copyright limit: Your church can only show this DVD in a group of its own members (cannot advertise to the general public) Age: Adult. 82 Minutes.

**RACE: THE POWER OF AN ILLUSION (118071)** This DVD includes three segments (each in a long version and a shorter version) that discuss how our concepts of race are shaped by our history, social institutions, and cultural beliefs. Episode 1: The Difference Between Us -- examine contemporary science, including genetics, that
challenges our assumptions about human groups (56 min. or 37 min.); Episode 2: The Story We Tell -- examine the 19th-century science that justified our treatment of African Americans, Native Americans, and Filipinos (56 min. or 34 min.); Episode 3: The House We Live In -- examine 20th-century policies regarding race and immigration, citizenship, and housing discrimination. Includes guide. On the recommended resources list for the DVD study 'Holding Up Your Corner.’  Age: High school - Adult.

STORIES OF HOPE: UMCOR (119053)  A compilation DVD with four segments on UMCOR's work: 1) Justice for Our Neighbors: Turning Lives Around -- legal services for immigrants and refugees (7 min.); 2) U.S. Hurricane Recovery (4 min.); 3) UMCOR in Darfur (5 min.); 4) UMCOR Sager Brown (6 min.).  Age: Middle school - Adult.  22 Minutes.

STRANGERS NO LONGER (119040)  This DVD invites us to open our hearts and minds and identify with today's immigrants. Chapter titles: Call to welcome; Our immigrant heritage; New realities; Living the faith. Includes 16 minute and 22 minute versions. Includes guide. Spanish subtitles available.  Age: Adult.  22 Minutes.

WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?: A FAITH CONVERSATION ON IMMIGRATION (123053)  Designed for use in four 60-90 minute sessions, each class session blends DVD-based learning segments with conversation and reflection in small groups. Session titles: 1) We are all strangers in the land of Egypt; 2) What does the Lord require of you?; 3) Perfect love casts out fear; 4) The good Samaritan -- Who is my neighbor? Includes discussion guide.  Age: Adult.

Books:

DREAMERS: AN IMMIGRANT GENERATION'S FIGHT FOR THEIR AMERICAN DREAM (815197)  Author: Truax, Eileen.  The author shares stories of young men and women who are undocumented residents who grew up in the U.S. *2016 UMW Reading Program: Nurturing for Community  Age: Adult.  220 Pages.

EVERYBODY WANTS TO CHANGE THE WORLD: PRACTICAL IDEAS FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE (807036)  Author: Campolo, Tony and Aeschliman, Gordon.  This book provides numerous practical ideas for compassionately responding to the needs of others. Chapter titles: Poverty--Caring for the Poor; Evangelism--Proclaiming the Good News; The Environment--Tending God's Creation; Prisoners--Befriending the Outcast; The Oppressed--Upholding the Downtrodden; The Elderly--Honoring the Wise; The Sick and the Disabled--Serving the Afflicted; Immigrants--Helping Those New to Our Land; The World--Caring for the People of All Nations; Take Action--Ideas for Healthy Activism. Includes discussion guide for individual or small-group use.  Age: Adult.  224 Pages.

GEN2GEN: SHARING JESUS ACROSS THE GENERATIONS (816108)  Author: Gentzler; Gordon; Miller; Parker, editors.  A collection of articles that challenge churches to connect with persons of all ages. Chapters: Getting older and younger at warp speed; Children's brains and the invasion of media; A place at the table; Generation?; Why I live 'in community' -- a young adult story; Smash in the middle -- raising children and caring for parents; Boomers -- a new kind of aging?; Legacy -- living a life of significance; Technology and the church -- how do we connect with Jesus?; Media, technology, and communication; The church as social media; What happened to serendipity?; Connecting faith communities through the internet; Christian ministry in a multicultural society -- who and what needs to change?; Asian ministries -- the gift of letting go; The new black church; Immigration and the church; Multiethnic and multieconomic church -- because it reflects the Kingdom of God; The multigenerational family; Grace-filled communities -- the gifts of intergenerational relationships; The landscape of family; Singles and the church; Faith formation and the life span in an ever-changing world -- serving multiethnic families in the Twenty-First Century; Caring for our aging loved ones; Trends in aging; Discipleship, generational theory, and the life span in a time of rapid change. Includes index.  Age: Adult.  190 Pages.

HUNTING SEASON: IMMIGRATION AND MURDER IN AN ALL-AMERICAN TOWN (814238)  Author: Ojito, Mirta.  In 2008 an undocumented immigrant was murdered by teenagers in a New York town. With a strong commitment to telling all sides of the story, the author shows how the inhabitants struggle to reconcile the issue of

I'M NEW HERE (817042) Author: O'Brian, Anne Sibley. In this full-color picture book, three young children (Maria from Guatemala, Jin from Korea, and Fatimah from Somalia), settle into a new school in the United States with support and friendship from new friends.  Age: Preschool – Early elementary.  30 Pages.

IMMIGRATION AND THE BIBLE: A GUIDE FOR RADICAL WELCOME (812060) Author: Maruskin, Joan. This book explores the biblical and theological understandings of immigration, immigrants, and migration. Chapter titles: The call to radical hospitality; The biblical migration story; Migration then and now; Global migration and scripture; Families, trafficking, and slavery; Migration and the New Testament; Embracing radical hospitality; History, legislation, and advocacy. Includes a participant's guide for a four-session study. A leader's guide is also available (#812062).  Age: Adult. 265 Pages.


LEAVING HOME, FINDING HOME: A MISSION STUDY FOR CHILDREN (814057) Author: Broyles, Anne. Stories of five children that will help grade-school children understand the many reasons people move from one place to another. Topics: What is it like to leave one's home for an unknown place? What is it like to journey to a new place? What is it like to try to fit in and make a new place feel like home? How can we help immigrants feel welcome? Includes bibliography.  Age: Elementary. 78 Pages.

LISTEN TO THE CHILDREN: CONVERSATIONS WITH IMMIGRANT FAMILIES (812014) Author: Conde-Frazier, Elizabeth. Chapter titles: Children in immigrant families; Deciding to leave and telling the children; Reuniting with children in a new land; Making adjustments to a new life; Education and the next generation; The family's legal status and how it affects children; The role of religion and faith communities; Children and raids; Understanding 'status' differently. Includes a small group discussion guide. Book includes text in both English and Spanish languages.  Age: Adult. 69 Pages.

NEIGHBOR: CHRISTIAN ENCOUNTERS WITH 'ILLEGAL' IMMIGRATION (810160) Author: Daniel, Ben. The author tackles the controversial issues that surround undocumented migration in the United States by taking the reader to the spiritual, legal, and geographical front lines of the immigration debate. The result of this journey is a compelling argument that encourages Christians to meet undocumented migrants as neighbors and friends. Includes study questions and index.  Age: Adult. 166 Pages.

OUR GOD IS UNDOCUMENTED: BIBLICAL FAITH AND IMMIGRANT JUSTICE (813053) Author: Myers, Ched and Colwell, Matthew. The perspective of the immigrant offers fresh eyes for reading the Bible, which in turn offers a new way of seeing the plight of the stranger and sojourner among us. Includes subject and Scripture indexes. *2014 UMW Reading Program: Social Action  Age: Adult. 228 Pages.

RED LETTER REVOLUTION: WHAT IF JESUS REALLY MEANT WHAT HE SAID? (812131) Author: Claiborne, Shane and Campolo, Tony. Shane Claiborne and Tony Campolo discuss a variety of issues in light of the Bible's "red letters." Chapter titles: On history; On community; On the Church; On liturgy; On saints; On hell; On Islam; On economics; On family; On being pro-life; On environmentalism; On women; On racism; On homosexuality; On immigration; On civil disobedience; On giving; On empire; On politics; On war and violence; On national debts; On the Middle East; On the global Church; On reconciliation; On mission; On resurrection; A red letter future.  Age: Adult. 272 Pages.

WELCOMING THE STRANGER: A YOUTH STUDY ON MIGRATION (814058) Author: Klick, Cindy. This leader guide is designed to offer middle- and high-school youth ages 12 - 19 a Christian perspective on migration, emigration, and immigration and our faithful responsibility to treat all people well. Designed for five sessions of about two hours each.  Age: Middle school – High school. 57 Pages.