

Good Afternoon,

My name is Nicole Stansifer, and I am the Director of Outreach at The First Presbyterian Church in the City of New York. I'd like to invite you and your congregation(s) to a conference October 20-21 in NYC titled "Love Welcome: A Faith-Based Forum on Supporting LGBTQ Refugees." This is a national PC(USA) conference – open to anyone interested in attending – co-sponsored by the PC(USA) Office of Public Witness, Office of Immigration Issues, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Ministry at the United Nations, and More Light Presbyterians. Over the course of the two days, participants will learn about the specific challenges facing LGBTQ refugees and asylum seekers and examine a variety of ways in which congregations can provide support. The event will feature speakers from the United Nations, the Organization for Refuge, Asylum, & Migration, Familia, the Brooklyn Community Pride Center, and the PC(USA).

Registration is now open at <http://fpcnyc.org/lovelowelcome/>. Please plan to join us if you are able and pass along the information to anyone you think might be interested. If you would include an announcement in your newsletters, that would be greatly appreciated!

Also, we do have travel scholarships available for young adults and anyone else who is interested in joining us but needs some financial assistance to do so. Please let me know if you have any questions. I look forward to seeing you in New York!

Thank you,

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