



Welcome to Barnhill St Margaret's Reflection Space for Harvest

The theme for our Harvest Reflection is

‘Sharing our Plenty’

We are looking at the plight of refugees in the Bible as well as in our own world at the moment. There will be some practical suggestions on how we can help those who have had to go to a foreign land for their own safety and survival.

Adam and Eve



So God expelled them from the Garden of Eden and sent them to work the ground, the same dirt out of which they had been made.

Genesis 3: 23

90% of refugees under the UN-HCR mandate originate from countries most vulnerable to the effects of climate change, with worsening conditions and consequences

The UN Refugee Agency@UNHCR.gov

Jacob



“Your brother Esau is plotting vengeance against you. He’s going to kill you. Son, listen to me. Get out of here. Run for your life to Haran, to my brother Laban.

Genesis 27: 42

Conflict in Syria reached its 10th year in 2020. There are 13.5 million displaced Syrians, representing more than half of Syria's total population.

<https://www.unrefugees.org/refugee-facts/statistics/>



With Refugees Broughty Ferry (WRBF)

As the Bible shows, migration has been around for a long time.

However, there is one group of migrants who have no option but to move - **refugees.**

In 2015 a huge wave of refugees fled Syria and Iraq to escape war.

With Refugees Broughty Ferry (WRBF) was set up by members of the local churches as a response.

Joseph's Brothers

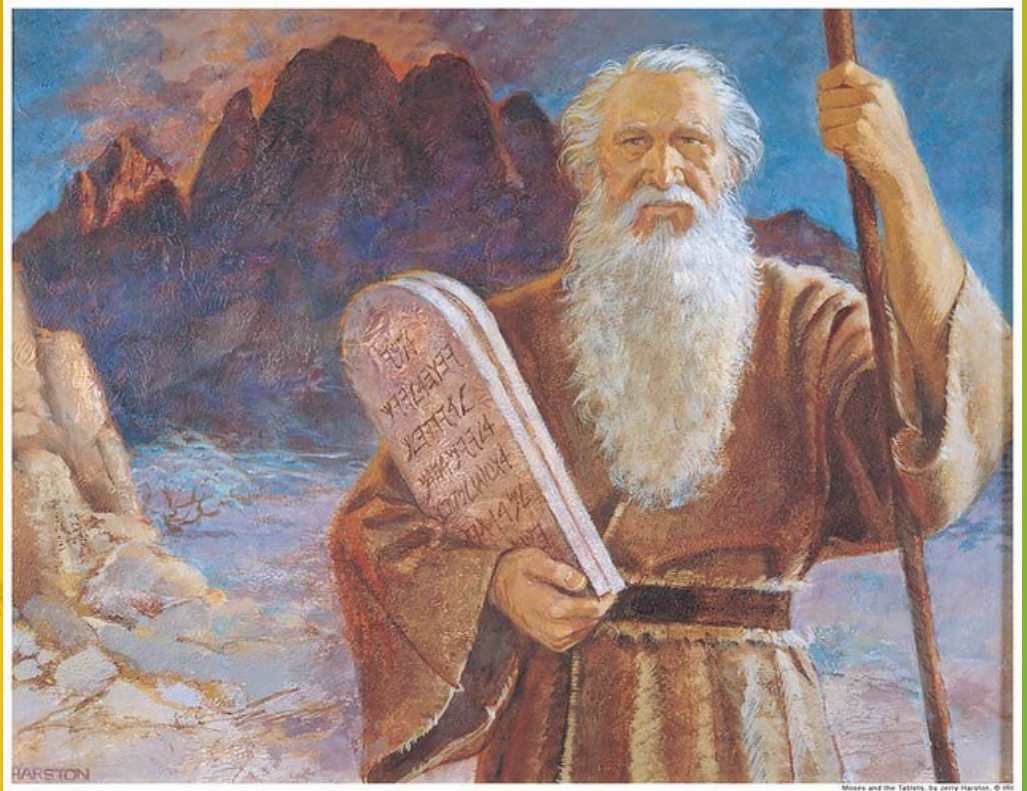


“I have heard that there is food in Egypt. Go down there and buy some so that we can survive and not starve to death”. Genesis 42; 1-2

Due to war and famine in Yemen, almost 200,000 people have fled the country and more than 2 million have been internally displaced.

<https://borgenproject.org/10-facts-about-yemeni-refugees/>

Moses



“Go and speak to Pharaoh king of Egypt, so that he will release the Israelites from his land”.

Exodus 6; 10

The Rohingya are a stateless Muslim minority in Myanmar.

1.1 million Rohingya refugees have fled Myanmar since the start of violence in 2017

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What WRBF does

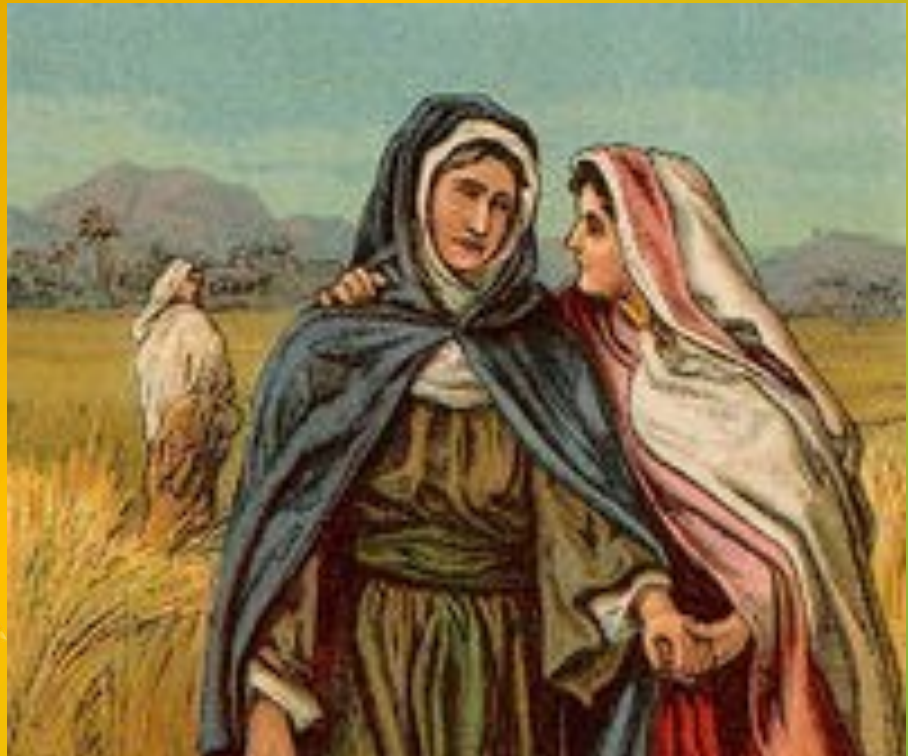
WRBF works to help refugees displaced by war into Europe.

We engage in Dundee and elsewhere.

Our main approach is to mobilise the time and talents of people in the churches and wider community in Broughty Ferry by finding opportunities for volunteering.

For example, the 200-plus refugees who have been relocated to Dundee by the Government need help with improving their English and integrating into Scottish society.

Naomi and Ruth



One day she got herself together, she and her two daughters-in-law, to leave the country of Moab and set out for home; she had heard that God had been pleased to visit his people and give them food.

Ruth 1: 6

**80% of the South Sudanese
refugee population are
women and children**

<https://www.unrefugees.org/emergencies/south-sudan/>

Jesus and his parents



“Get up. Take the child and his mother and flee to Egypt. Stay until further notice. Herod is on the hunt for this child, and wants to kill him”.
Matthew 3: 13

After more than four decades of displacement, Afghan refugees are one of the largest protracted refugee situations in the world. Nearly 6 million Afghans have been driven out of their homes and their country by conflict, violence and poverty.

<https://www.unrefugees.org/emergencies/>



How you can help


Would you like to befriend a refugee family? We expect this need to grow as Afghan families arrive.

We hope to restart our used clothes recycling service for refugees in camps in Europe once we find new accommodation for storage and sorting.

Looking ahead, we are working with Kalunba, our partner in Hungary, to identify opportunities in Budapest for volunteering visits.

To find out more see our **Facebook page**: WRBF - With Refugees Broughty Ferry

Or contact **Graham McKee**
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Do not ill-treat foreigners who are living in your land. Treat them as you would a fellow-Israelite and love them as you love yourselves. Remember that you were once foreigners in the land of Egypt.

Leviticus 19: 33

**By the end of 2020,
82.4 million
individuals
were forcibly
displaced worldwide
as a result of
persecution,
conflict, violence
or human rights
violations.**

www.unrefugees.org/refugee-facts/statistics/