

# Resources for Refugee and Immigrant Populations

At Jesus Film Project® we equip you—the body of Christ—with tools to share God's love and goodness with people in their heart language wherever you are.

We hope these resources (all free to download) help you support and build relationships with refugees and immigrants in your community.



#### **Conversational English Using Short Films**

**FOCUS: LEARN ENGLISH** 

Watching films can be a great way for non-native speakers to learn English, especially when paired with friendship and conversation. With *Conversational English Using Short Films*, you can facilitate English-language learning through film by showing students one or more of the 18 short films listed—all free-to-watch and ideal for practicing conversational English. Lead learners through the provided discussion questions to spark spiritual conversations and develop relationships.



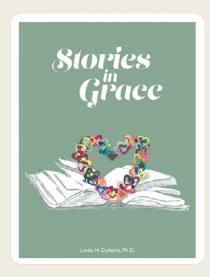
### Multi-Language Outreach Using Magdalena: Through Her Eyes\*

**FOCUS: SPIRITUAL GROWTH** 

Reach women with the life-changing message of Jesus' love and forgiveness by showing the *Magdalena* film at a one-time outreach event. *Magdalena* (available in over 200 languages) portrays Jesus' valuing of and sense of compassion for women. Use the <u>Multi-Language Outreach Guide</u> to prepare for and host your event as well as train volunteers. The resource features planning advice, a recommended timeline, best practices and cross-cultural training tools.

\*Also known by the title Magdalena: Released from Shame.

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#### Stories in Grace (SING)

**FOCUS: SPIRITUAL GROWTH** 

Lessons

Women Focused

English, Spanish

Stories in Grace, or SING, applies storytelling and a six-step lesson format in a Bible-based curriculum designed to inspire spiritual healing and emotional growth among women experiencing difficult life situations.

Lessons encourage class members to gain or regain their voice, identify and label their personal feelings, appreciate the love, healing and forgiveness of Christ, and envision hope for the future. Colorful graphics, class exercises, questions, Bible verses and a closing prayer summarizing the "story of the day" round out this powerful resource.

The 36-lesson <u>SING curriculum</u> is in English and Spanish but utilizes clips from Magdalena, available in more than 200 languages.

#### Window to the World

An English as a Second Language Curriculum

#### Window to the World (Digital Version)

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This <u>digital version of Window to the World</u> pairs the 12 lessons of the 1998 Doris Dillard Edwards curriculum of the same name with clips from the JESUS film in a well-structured format that allows English-language learners to explore new vocabulary as well as powerful stories about Jesus digitally.

Each three-part lesson features new words and phrases, learning exercises, a clip from *IESUS*, discussion questions and a breakdown of the Bible story from the film clip.

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#### **An Important Note**

We recognize that many refugees and immigrants face unique challenges when transitioning to a foreign country, like coming to terms with the hardships that led them to leave or flee their homes, adjusting to a new neighborhood, and processing the differences of a new culture.

These individuals may have experienced tremendous loss, possibly having lost family members, friends, their home and even their culture. They can also feel incredibly lonely in their new home, as Western cultures tend to be less relational than their own. The lifestyles depicted in Western films could come off as immoral and offensive. Lastly, Christianity may have been viewed negatively in their home country—perhaps even banned. Talking or even hearing about Jesus may feel wrong or confusing.

With this in mind, we encourage taking the time to build relationships with each person. Ask the Lord for a soft, sensitive spirit and spend plenty of time in prayer before using these resources. We trust the Holy Spirit will guide you as you serve those in need.

Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ to the world!

#### Questions?

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