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What's Happening?

Chicago groups prep African immigrants for the census - WBEZ

US takes step to require DNA samples from asylum seekers - AP

Mexico blocks caravan, 2 African migrants drown during immigration crackdown - AZ Central

Cuban asylum seekers, once welcomed in the US, face new roadblocks with "Remain in Mexico" - LA Times

Border patrol growing presence at hospitals creates fear - AP

Justices grapple with identify fraud by undocumented immigrants - Bloomberg News

Trump says he will unfreeze security aid to Central American countries - Wash Post

San Diego CBP holds migrant children longer than it's supposed to, lawyer says - LA Times

Louisiana becomes new hub in immigration detention under Trump - AP

Legal status for thousands of Liberians in US hangs on court decision - Public Radio Intl

Action One: Prayer

Here I Am Lord. I am here to thank you for my life. For calling me to be an instrument of accompaniment. An instrument to make a difference wherever I am. Lord, open my ears so I can listen in silence and thus be able to hear the needs of my sisters and brothers. Lord, give me the strength to never give up, even if darkness appears. Perhaps it's only me to start, but you are with me. Lord, give the wisdom to continue being an instrument that listens, gives hope, and accompanies. Thank you Lord because through service, you fill me with joy. Lord, I am ready to go to the peripheries. Be my partner, my guide, my everything. Amen. (Consuelo Sandoval, Pastoral Migratoria, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Chicago)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell your members of Congress to support the GRACE Act. The GRACE Act will establish an annual refugee admissions level of no less than 95,000. Call your MOC today: <https://act.rescue.org/grace-act?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=1b768904-cb2f-4d8a-8ad0-a5d279f1fbb8>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Cong. Pete Aguilar is trying to protect immigrant rights, but needs your help. Add your name to the petition to stop the use of inhumane immigrant detention centers. https://act.peteaguilar.com/page/s/close-detention-centers?source=MS_EM_PET_2019.07.10_B1_detention-centers_X_F1_S1_C1_all

NATIONAL LEVEL - Say NO to Trump's inhumane policies that separate families and harm kids. Take action now. <http://fpl.actionkit.com/call/say-no-president-trumps-inhumane-policies-separate-families-harm-kids/?t=7&akid=1693%2E48167%2E-N4CKC>

