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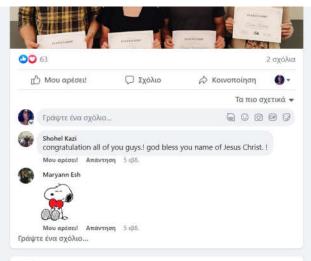
The i58 2022 interns have completed their year of service. Thank you each for all that you gave!

The 2023 intern team has begun their year of service, and we look forward to what God will do through them.

 \longrightarrow If you are interested in interning with i58, be on the lookout for applications for the 2024 intern team.







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Today is known around the world as Giving Tuesday, an opportunity to show thankfulness by giving to those in need.

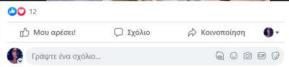
All of us at 158 would be so grateful if you considered donating today to financially continue the work being done to serve refugees. Your funds will go to help maintain long term staff, buy endless tea to serve at our community centers, and be a stabilizing resource for the every day needs of our teams in Greece, Romania, and Germany.

May God bless you for sharing!

Donate through the link below.

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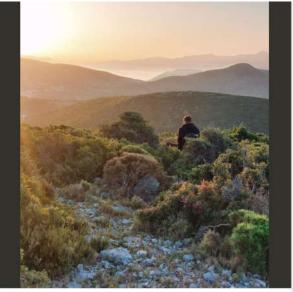
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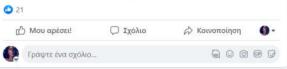
It's Thanksgiving week, and all of us at i58 have so much to be thankful for this year.

- This year, we have seen an explosion of growth in long term workers. We have prayed for that stability for years, and God has provided so that there is long term i58 volunteers in Romania, Germany, and Greece.
- This week, there are two guys and two girls who are starting the i58 internship. Four committed volunteers for this yearlong program has been another huge answer to prayer.
- Finally, we are thankful for the prayers and financial support that has made it possible for i58 to be sustained, as well as grow. This would not be possible without you—we're thankful for YOU!

Coming up next week is Giving Tuesday, an opportunity to show thankfulness by giving. If you would like to support i58 financially on that day, we would be so grateful. Mark your calendars.

Happy Thanksgiving!







Lesvos Long Term Staff Feature | Nicolaas Verdouw from the Netherlands

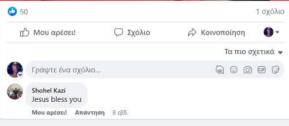
"My name is Nicolaas Verdouw. I am 23 years old, but I only came to know the Lord 2.5 years ago.

I am thankful for the opportunity to serve long-term with i58 as the only Dutchman (so far). I work as a maintenance coordinator inside Mavrovouni camp, working on construction projects organized by Eurorelief as well as helping individual refugees."

As i58 has continued to grow and expand, more doors have opened up to transition from being primarily a short term relief organization to more long term opportunities. One of the ways that is playing out is in staff being able to volunteer for more than just three months at a time.

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Blog Post Feature | Countries Represented in Mavrovouni Camp 🔎

The amount of conflict, tragedy, and misplaced peoples around the world is staggering. War, religious disputes, famines, and economic instability rule many countries and cultures.

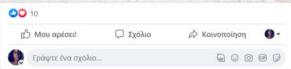
In our few locations in Europe, we get to hear the hearts of people and learn about their lives as they lived through these tragedies.

As of September 2022, there are approximately 26 nationalities in Mavrovouni Camp on the island of Lesvos, Greece.

In this month's blog post, we zoom in on a few of those largely represented countries. Read the entire post below. $\blacksquare \bullet \blacksquare \blacksquare \blacksquare$

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i58 Romania Situational Update | November 2022

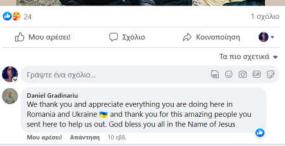
19 There are currently four long term volunteers and a few short term volunteers on the ground in Romania, assisting with relief efforts in Ukraine.

We are partnering with an organization called Fight for Freedom, and have been tasked with packing and distributing dry goods for Ukrainian citizens.

Three times a week, i58 volunteers drive into Ukraine and distribute food to the people there whose lives have been fractured by the war.

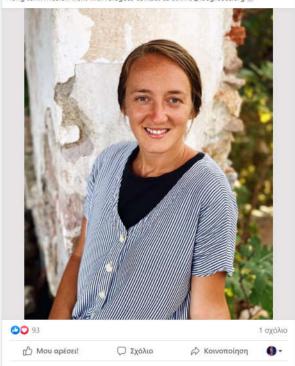
Continue to pray for the volunteers on the ground in Romania who interact directly with Ukrainians who are caught in the shock waves of war. $\$







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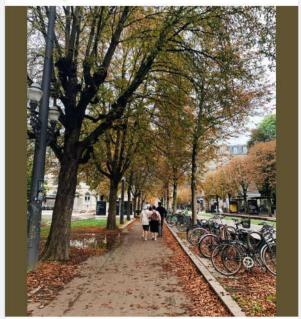


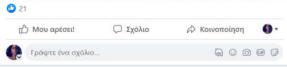
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Our supporters and volunteers often know what it's like to serve on Lesvos, Greece, because it's our most established location. However, continuing the theme from last week, we want to also let you know what it's like day-to-day as a volunteer in Germany.

i58 counts it a privilege to reach out to refugees in different places along their journey. In 2021, we began sending teams to serve alongside other ministries in Germany. According to UNHCR, Germany currently hosts over a million refugees and thousands of asylum seekers. Many refugees we've interacted with in Greece continued on to Germany, and our volunteers have been able to reconnect with them there!

—> To read the entire blog and learn more about the work in Germany, click the link in our bio.





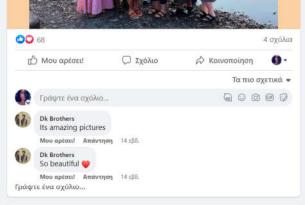
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Germany Situational Update | October 2022

- A new development in Germany is that the owners of the building we were renting from realized that we needed to limit the number of people coming in at a time. We only rent two rooms from them, and the crowds that would come in were maxing out the capacity. So, now 40 people can come to the Peace House at a time instead of however many can squeeze in. We have a registration table outside again, where refugees can learn what's happening and if they can come in or come back later.
- This change in capacity has turned into a blessing as volunteers are able to spend more quality time with the people who come to the Peace House, and build relationships that are more long lasting.
- → Because of space limits, we also paused our usual women's day and men's haircuts on Wednesdays. However, a month later we were able to reopen that time just for refugee women to come and have a quiet space to relax, chat, and drink tea.
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Thank you for praying for the efforts of the team in Germany, as well as for each individual with whom they interact! \blacksquare







"[The people in camp] taught me about hospitality.

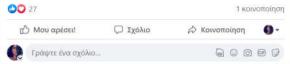
It always amazed me when a random person would bring tea or cake, or invite us in to their RHU or ISObox for tea and something to eat. I can't count the number of times someone would make something especially for us, even if we were working on the other side of camp.

We, as Christians, are supposed to be hospitable to everyone. Not just our family or close friends, but also the strangers that we meet."

-i58 Volunteer

Thank you for your continued prayers for i58 volunteers and the people they serve —who often end up serving the volunteers, instead.





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i58 Lesvos | Long Term Staff Feature: Charlene Horst from Ontario, Canada. 🌿

 $\mbox{\it T}$ came to Greece long term in October 2021. I have spent most of my time here as a shift leader in Mavrovouni camp.

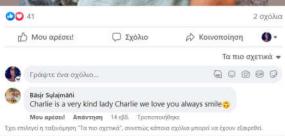
I support volunteers in their jobs, and frequently get to hear a resident's frustration about the way things are and show them compassion in the middle of it all. I'm soglad I can be here!"

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Is i58 Still Helping with the Ukrainian Crisis?

We are saddened by the number of refugees and internally displaced persons that have needed to flee their hometowns due to the war in Ukraine. Since February 2022, 8 million people have fled across the border of Ukraine into other European countries, according to UNHCR.

The war continues as Russia takes over Ukrainian cities in the eastern side of the country. With much of the war being contained in eastern Ukraine, many refugees are returning from surrounding countries to western Ukraine.

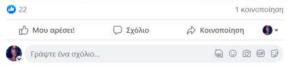
According to one of our volunteers, "People would rather be with their families in a country at war than be safe but far away from their loved ones."

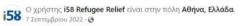
We're grateful for the way doors have opened up for us to partner with Fight for Freedom in Romania and leaders in Ukraine to provide humanitarian aid during this crisis.

Click below to read details about the ways we have been able to assist in Ukraine and Romania.

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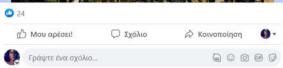
September Situational Update | 2022 Intern Team

The intern team is currently finishing up the last few months of their internship in Athens, helping launch an i58 base there. They are doing some warehouse work, street ministry, and supporting various community centers and local ministries in

They also are doing language studies, each of them learning either Greek or Farsi. We also have an intern team that is confirmed for the year of 2023, and are excited

Inin us in praving for the 2022 team as they finish up their last few months as ISR







BLOG POST FEATURE: Shafi's Famous Afghan Kabuli Palaw

If you have ever volunteered with i58, you know about Shafi's phenomenal cooking.

Most of the time, when he's asked how to make one of his Afghan meals, his recipes are "a little of this and little of that."

For this blog post, though, he took the time to get us a recipe of his well-known Kabuli Palaw.

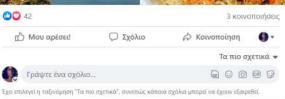
Here's Shafi's description of the dish:

"Kabuli Palaw is a popular Afghan cuisine dish. Growing up eating Kabuli Palaw gave me joy. This is a meal every family cooks for their guests. Delicious and tasty."

This dish consists of rice and lamb mixed with a few vegetables and amazing spices that bring all the flavors together. \blacksquare

--> To get all the details of the recipe and make Kabuli Palaw for yourself, click the link. https://www.i58greece.org/.../a-recipe-shafis-famous...







As of two weeks ago, Eurorelief and their volunteers (including i58) is in charge of serving in the New Arrivals area in Camp Mauvrovini (Lesvos).

Quarantine/New Arrivals is a unique place where people have to spend 5+ days as soon as they are registered in camp. There is space there for connection and engagement unlike any other,

Eurorelief will be overseeing all the new arrivals area including food, registration, medical check-ups, and whatever else comes up.

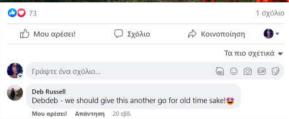
Pray for this new opportunity— for energy and capacity for all the volunteers, and for connections with the dear people they serve. \bigcirc





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Have you considered volunteering with us but want to know more about what the process is like?

On the blog: Volunteering With Us: A Step-by-Step Guide 🛬

It covers everything from how you can sign up to what it looks like to buy flights to what we do at our stateside orientation.

The first three steps:

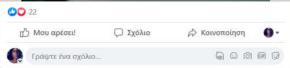
- Fill out our application
- 2. Get in touch with your pastor
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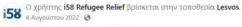
To find out all seven steps and read more about each part of the volunteering process, click the link, ${\bf v}{\bf v}$

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Lesvos Situational Update | August 2022

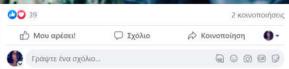
There are still new arrivals coming to Lesvos, though not as many as in June of this year. 🔔

There are some new programs inside of camp! EuroRelief has started "renting" bikes and fishing rods to residents to give them a chance to relax and get out of camp.

We also are starting to build a technical hub inside of camp and dream of filling it with equipment for mechanics, woodworking, engineering, and more so that residents can work on their own individual projects.

Thank you for your support for the work on Lesvos! Continue to pray for the residents and volunteers there.







i58 Ministry Update | Summer 2022 🕥

Since our beginning in 2015, i58 has been known as a ministry for short-term volunteers. Due to the ever-changing nature of refugee ministry, the short term has been effective. However, the long-term staff has recently grown to a total of around thirty individuals serving in Greece, Germany, and Romania.

Along with the long term commitment possibilities, has come the opportunity for organizational growth, and we are excited to see how God moves in the future. \P

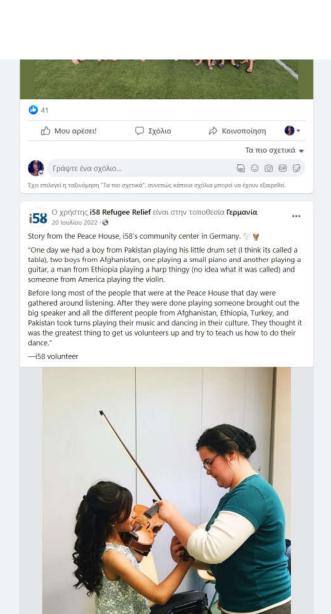
Are you interested in committing long term to working with refugees in Europe? Currently we have a need for couples in Germany, as well as an assistant administrator on Lesvos.

— If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering for either of these two needs, or for any other openings i58 may have, we are accepting applications for families, couples, and individuals!

Email info@i58greece.org for more information or to apply.

Pictured: the Lesvos team 📑









"The work here is mainly relational - creating a safe place for people to come and building relationships with them.

It has been a gift for us as a team to learn the ministry of being "present" with these dear people in both their joys and hard times."

Pray for the work on Samos as the team builds relationships with the residents of Zervou Camp and seeks ways to make a difference in the lives of the refugees. 🜿

Pictured: Samos City







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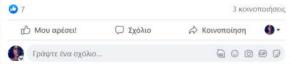
Our pioneer intern team started last November, and we still have a few openings for the 2022 intern team.

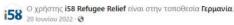
If you are a former volunteer wishing you could spend more time in Greece—as well as grow in mission experience and continue to deepen your relationship with God, we may have a place for you.

We need individuals who are dedicated to serving and willing to commit for one year of work. Service is likely to be needed in different areas of Europe in addition to Greece.

To apply, click VOLUNTEER on our website.







What if you had to flee the country you call home because of violence, religious persecution, or attacks based solely on your ethnicity? \P

According to the United Nations, an estimated 84 MILLION people around the world were forcibly displaced by the midway point of 2021.

Take a moment today to educate yourself on the crises refugees face all over the world. Don't just stop at awareness, though. Pray, and learn how you can actively support people who have been displaced from their homes.

 \rightarrow To assist i58 in our work with refugees in Greece, Germany, and Romania, donate below.

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Have you ever wondered if you could help Afghan refugees in the United States?
On the blog: an article on Afghan Refugees in the United States, including statistics and practical ways you can help.

*According to Church World Service, an estimated 75,000 Afghans are arriving in the United States and are being hosted at seven military bases across the nation. More are likely to come.

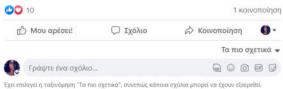
White House press secretary Jen Psaki says, "[The military bases are not] a place where people will live. This is a place where people would go, they would receive

medical care and assistance and get connected with refugee resettlement organizations that play a vital role as refugees come to our country from wherever they come around the world.""

Read more about how to help with relief efforts and resettlement organizations through the link in our bio. $\mbox{\ensuremath{\underline{\&}}}$

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Update on Relief Efforts for Ukrainian Refugees

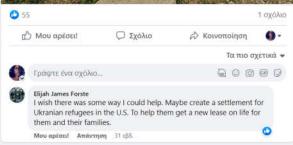
As the war continues in Ukraine, so does the need for assistance for the people fleeing the violence.

The flow of refugees coming to Poland has majorly dropped, so the need for help there has diminished for now, and i58 volunteers are no longer stationed there.

At this point, our base for Ukraine assistance is in Romania. We have established a relationship with an organization in Romania and we have three volunteers there long term as well as a few shorter term volunteers.

Currently the volunteers assist with food distributions—packaging food and distributing it in Ukraine. They are also working on remodeling the organization's center to house refugees from Ukraine as needed.







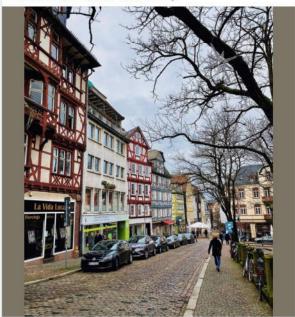
MAY SITUATIONAL UPDATE — GERMANY

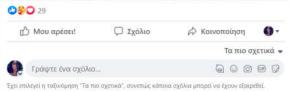
Work continues in the Peace House, our center right across the road from camp. We serve chai and biscuits, have German classes, and host haircut days for the men and spa days for the women.

There is always a large turnover of refugees that we interact with— it seems there is constantly transfers as well as new arrivals. We serve approximately 30-70 people a day at the Peace House. \bigcirc

Many of the people that have been coming through have been Afghan refugees. More recently, however, there have been several Syrians and Ukrainians. We also have met Afghans who were building a new life in Ukraine—only to have to flee again when war broke out.

Pray for the work in Germany— and pray for the dear people who have had to leave their homes to find safety, some multiple times. \Rightarrow







"Fighting, fighting, fighting," she said to me as tears streamed down her face.

Living in Deir ez-Zur Syria, war was almost normal for her and her family. When they discovered her husband would be killed if he refused to fight, they finally chose to flee their country.

I couldn't imagine living her life as I sat on the floor of her ISO box, drinking strong Syrian coffee she made for me, it had been years since her and her family left Syria and came to Greece. Yet, they still Struggle with nightmares from all the bombing and their terrifying eight hour boat ride from Turkey to Greece.

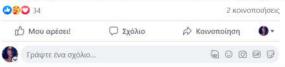
When they first arrived her whole family had to rely on a small pop up tent for shelter and warmth. She told me that camp life is much better now that there isn't constant rioting and they have an ISO box. She said these words with gratitude, but I know the uncertainty of what the future holds for her and her family weighs heavily on her shoulders.

When I left her house that day, I was angry and confused. Angry that no one seemed to care, angry that I couldn't fix it, and confused at the unfairness of it all. I found myself thinking, why God?

Pray for these people. That war would cease in their home country. That government officials would believe their stories. That they would find healing in all the brokeness.







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Have you ever considered volunteering with i58 in Greece... but been a little disappointed that there are only options for three month terms?

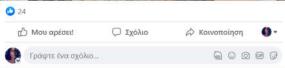
Are you wanting to learn more about leadership, and flexibility, as well as gain cross cultural experience?

Our newly created internship program provides mature individuals an opportunity to give of their time and service for an entire year with i58, primarily in Greece.

Applications are open NOW if this is something that interests you! There are only three or four spots available to make up a team of two men and two ladies. Email us for more information at interns@i58greece.org.

Applications will be open until June 10 so get your name in before then!





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If you are considering volunteering with i58 in Greece, you may be wondering if there are still any restrictions for travel.

With tourist season beginning, many Covid restrictions have recently been dropped! There is no testing or vaccination requirement to enter Greece at this time.

If you are planning to volunteer with us in the future you will be notified before travel what the current expectations are.

Are you interested in volunteering for a three month term? Head to our website for more information.







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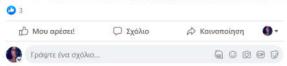
The annual i58 Read-a-thon is wrapping up in the next few days! Thank you to all who participated!

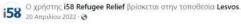
We are still in the process of collecting the funds so that our Lesvos staff can obtain the proper visas and stay in Greece long term.

If you are interested in contributing additional financial support to secure the Golden Visas, click the link in our bio. Any excess funds will be used where needed most. ϕ









COUNTRY FEATURE - SIERRA LEONE Z

My friend from Sierra Leone and I stood shoulder to shoulder at the edge of camp, looking out over the blue Aegean. She had just told me part of her story and the horrors she had escaped. Amazed at her faith in spite of what she had endured, I questioned how she could still praise God. Without hesitation, she responded with conviction, "God has done great and mighty things for me."

Sierra Leone, a small country on the coast of West Africa, is famous for its beautiful white beaches. However, the country holds dark and painful secrets that deeply impact its people, forcing many of them to flee.

Sierra Leone was a British Colony until the 1960s, partially populated by returned slaves from Britain. In 1991, the country saw a brutal civil war which lasted eleven years. During this time, many children were forced to fight as child soldiers.

Additionally, around 88% of women in Sierra Leone have experienced female genital mutation (FGM). This is sometimes performed on children as young as 2 years old. If the child is not strong enough to survive, they die.

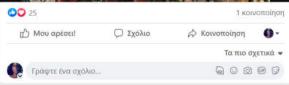
Recently, there has been an increase in new arrivals from Sierra Leone on Lesvos. Many have fled rather than be forced into secret societies, escaping with their lives but with scarred bodies and minds.

However, these are an incredibly resilient people. Since the national language of Sierra Leone is English, it is easier for us Americans to build relationships and form good connections with Sierra Leoneans. They love cooking, dancing, and cracking jokes. They reminisce about the strong people, the plentiful tropical fruit, the warm weather, and the open-air markets of their home country.

For most of them, the main thing they are seeking in Europe is safety and peace.

—written by an i58 volunteer







"What is next for my life?"

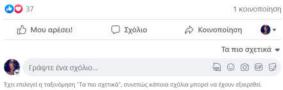
This is a common question for volunteers leaving Greece. Often, their lives have been changed by the months spent serving in Greece, and they have formed a deep interest in long term mission work.

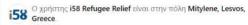
In response to this, i58 has launched a year long internship program. 🛠

The team of interns is made up of two guys and two girls who are willing to grow personally, have a long-term interest in missions, and are looking for ways to build their 'tool belt' for ministry.

Applications for the next internship program will be opening in May— stay tuned!







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LESVOS SITUATIONAL UPDATE 🧓

It is finally spring on Lesvos after a cold March that even brought some rare snow to the island.

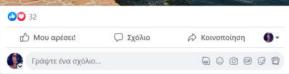
Lately in camp, many people have been getting their passports and leaving! However, there have also been quite a few new arrivals, so the numbers in camp haven't actually dropped very much.

This week the Oasis is opening up their Chai Program again! We are very excited to be able to officially open the Oasis for the first time since the Covid lockdowns began.

Several volunteers that were on Lesvos have had the flexibility to change their plans and join the work in Romania and Poland as the Ukrainian refugee crisis continues.

We are so grateful for your continued support. 🛠







ANNUAL i58 READ-A-THON Our annual Read-A-Thon fundraiser is currently in process!

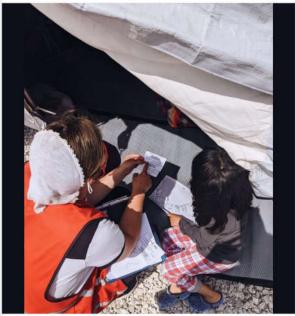
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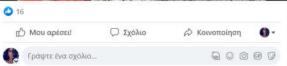
Germany through reading.

- Students agree to focus on reading for 30 days.
- They find sponsors willing to sponsor them for a certain amount per page, such as one or two cents.
- Students then read as many books as they can within those 30 days.

Funds raised will go toward visa costs for Nate and Becca Shrock and the Amos and Rachel Kauffman family, the long term field directors currently on the ground in

To get started and join the fun, click the link in our bio to download your information packet!





i58 Ο χρήστης i58 Refugee Relief είναι στην τοποθεσία Πολωνία. 30 Μαρτίου 2022 ∙ ⊛

The Ukrainian refugee crisis is not over.

According to the BBC, the country of Poland has taken in over two million Ukrainian refugees.

Neighboring countries, including Romania, have also received hundreds of thousands of people fleeing from the violence in Ukraine.

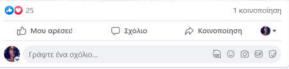
As an organization that was founded to assist refugees, we feel strongly that we should help where we can. is8 has established small teams in Poland and Romania to assist other organizations and individuals.

One way we are supporting is through construction projects— preparing the pictured building for Ukrainian refugees.

Can we fix the problem? No. But a small difference in one life will make every effort worth it.

--> To donate to this ongoing crisis, tap the link in our bio.





i58 Ο χρήστης i58 Refugee Relief είναι στην τοποθεσία Europe.

i58 has been given the opportunity to assist with the relief efforts for refugees fleeing the war in Ukraine.

We have teams on the ground in Poland and Romania that are partnering with other organizations to assist with lodging, food distribution, and other support for the millions of people who have been displaced.

If you would like to contribute financially to this effort, click the link in our bio. Even the smallest gift can make a difference. \P





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i58 Ο χρήστης i58 Refugee Relief είναι στην τοποθεσία Πολωνία. 23 Μαρτίου 2022 - 🚱

UPDATE FROM THE RELIEF WORK IN POLAND:

"We continue to work here at the shelter, providing a safe place for Ukrainians to stay while waiting for a bus to be taken to Holland. Here are a few stories behind the faces we serve daily:

-A single mother and her six children, ages 2-15, arrived from Kyiv. They were told by Russian soldiers that they would be safe in the basement of their house. Once they went down with others, the Russians bombed the house. They escaped miraculously. She has no relatives left alive in Ukraine.

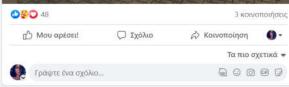
-Another family with two invalids arrived from Kyiv. Their home was near an airport that got bombed and the Russians used their home as cover while fighting the Ukrainian soldiers. The soldiers kept them in the basement, knowing the Ukrainian military would be reluctant to bomb a house with their own civilians in it. Going outside their house made them targets for snipers, except if they got clearance from the Russians. They survived on Corn Flakes and dried fish for fifteen days, while listening to the fighting above their heads. When Red Cross provided an open corridor to escape, they had one minute to gather their belongings and flee. They are thankful to be alive.

At the shelter, we provide them with safety, lodging, food, and friendship. We weep and pray alongside these ladies for their country and families. God is using this difficult situation to draw both the believers and unbelievers of Ukraine to Himself.

While some minister to those at the shelter, others are providing transportation for refugees that are fleeing, or load trucks headed to Ukraine with food, clothing, and medical supplies. We are thankful to have this opportunity to serve these people.

Please pray, as they always plead, for peace in Ukraine and safety for their loved ones."





i58 Ο χρήστης i58 Refugee Relief είναι στην τοποθεσία Ρουμανία.
18 Μαρτίου 2022 - Θ

UKRAINE ASSISTANCE UPDATE

i58's intern team is currently on the ground in Romania, assisting Ukrainian refugees who have fled there. Here is an update from that team:

"Greetings from Suceava Romania!

We have been here for almost two weeks now; gathering information, collecting contacts, meeting with different NGO's, and overall trying to find the greatest needs, and where I58 can help.

Transportation from the border was the greatest need that we saw, so we rented a van and started driving Ukrainians to different cities in Romania.

We have also been helping some of the people we transported from the border, taking them to get groceries, clothes, sim cards etc.

One of the contacts we met was a volunteer from a local organization. He invited us to stop in their center to see what they are doing. After meeting with the founder we were introduced to some of the staff and they promptly invited us to jump in and help out. They seem to be an organization with the same goals we have, helping people in need, while also being witnesses for Christ. A direct answer to prayer!

Right now they are busy with renovations and only half of their 'Freedom House' is habitable. Once completed it can comfortably house around 300 people.

They also have a strong presence at the Siret border, having been one of the first

organizations to provide assistance there.

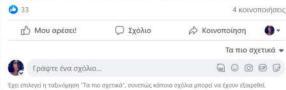
We will continue to integrate into their system and help them wherever needed.

Cooking, cleaning, loading convoys, transportation, etc., are some of the probable jobs.

God has answered many prayers: the right connections, open doors to serve alongside an NGO, free lodging and food for a while, and a nine passenger van to name a few. He's guided and will continue to guide us as we trust Him."

—> If you would like to financially contribute to the assistance of Ukrainian refugees, click the link in our bio. \bigcirc







UPDATE FROM GERMANY

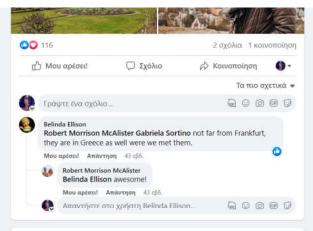
158 Germany is currently in Giessen, Germany. Giessen is a first reception center for new immigrants, which means that they don't have jobs or classes yet so they have a lot of time for the few months they live there.

We have a center called the Peace House right across the road from the camp. We offer German classes taught by German university students, a place to play sports, music classes, haircuts for the men, beauty days for the women, and chai and biscuits for all. We have a lot of time to build close relationships with the refugees.

We are partnering with a German house church that is doing Bible Studies with those who are interested. Even though we don't call ourselves a church in any sense, we are known by the refugees as one. Many have said they come because of the peace they feel when they are with us.









COUNTRY FEATURE — SOMALIA

Why are Somalians coming to Europe?

My friend said, 'I came here for life and peace. Everybody came here for life and peace...in Somalia there is no peace.'

One of my Somalian friends came here with hopes of eventually going back to her country. She would like to get medical help in Europe. Help that it seems she cannot get in her own country and from what I understand, she really misses her family and friends, the warm weather, and the beach and someday wants to go back.

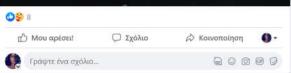
Another friend says she really has nothing to go back to. She lost most of her family and she has little or no friends there. She grew up in a family who lived a nomadic lifestyle, going from place to place, caring for sheep and building their own homes. They had very little. When things happened to the family, she felt she and her son needed to flee the country and seek medical help for him. He didn't live much longer. She is now alone, and does not know where the few family members are that are left in the country.

However, there are some Somalians who still have family in their own country and miss these family members. Many of them do not plan to return to their country unless things change. One friend said, "if there is peace there again, maybe I would want to go back'. They seem to have enjoyed the climate there. But still it was not safe for them to stay.

In Europe, they feel that there is peace. They are hopeful about the opportunity for better jobs, or better medical help. They feel safer here and feel that they can start a new life away from painful past experiences.

Written by an i58 volunteer





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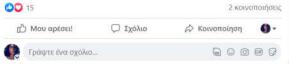
As we, along with the rest of the world, watch the news from Ukraine, we cannot help but feel the burden of the number of people fleeing the war.

According to the New York Times, the United Nations estimate that approximately 100,000 Ukrainians have left their homes. Many of them are fleeing to the neighboring countries surrounding Ukraine. i58 is partnering with CRR (Christian Refugee Relief) of the Netherlands to send food items for distribution to refugees coming into Poland.

To contribute to this effort and directly assist Ukrainian refugees, go to https://i58greece.app.neoncrm.com/forms/refugee-relief







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ANNOUNCING: REACH 2022 March 24-25, 2022

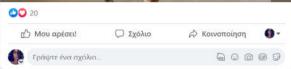
REACH brings together more than fifty conservative Anabaptist ministries along with kingdom workers from all walks of life. The program includes over 90 breakout sessions addressing a wide variety of ministry-related topics. Ministries share their vision and work in breakout sessions and displays. General assemblies tie the entire event together with worship, messages, and prayer.

i58 will be just one of the ministries represented at REACH. We would be thrilled to have you support and learn alongside us there!

Location: Calvary Church, 1051 Landis Valley Road, Lancaster, PA 17601

For more information and to register, visit fbep.org/reach-2022







ANNUAL I58 READ-A-THON 📖

Our annual Read-A-Thon fundraiser is almost here!

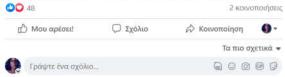
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- Students agree to focus on reading for 30 days.
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We are blessed to have dedicated field directors, Nate and Becca Shrock overseeing the work on the ground and Amos and Rachel Kauffman and family as long-term volunteers in Greece. Both are working towards long-term visas to stay in Greece without the 90-day restriction. The money raised by the Read-a-thon will go directly toward their visa costs.

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 ${\it Today's post is a little departure from our normal content schedule} \color{red} - to remind you to keep the country of Afghanistan in your prayers.}$

Since the monumental shift of power in August 2021, the crisis has worsened for the Afghan people. Food supplies are running low, the health care system is crumbling, and everything looks like it is moving toward the worst humanitarian crisis in Afghanistan's history.

So pray for the Afghan people! Pray for the provision of basic necessities: food, water, health. Pray for peace.







— We are so excited that some of the Covid restrictions were lifted for the refugees on Lesvos. Half of them are allowed to leave the camp in the morning and half in the afternoon for the first time in two years. This opens up many new opportunities for them, and we are thrilled.

Almost every person on the i58 Lesvos team had Covid and had to quarantine for

part of January. Inankfully everyone seemed to get a mild case and was able to pull through.

— A big project in camp has been insulating some of the RHU's where refugees sleep. This is a huge blessing for them as the island nights are often cold and damp.

Thank you for your continued prayers on behalf of the refugees and volunteers.







country don't grab your attention like they used to, in fact they seem to repeat themselves; politics, war, civilians caught in the crossfire, and refugees.

The only reason nothing really seems to change is because it's true. Not much has changed in the past few decades for Afghanistan. Internal conflict is normal. Uncertainty and confusion, subjection and poverty.

Take a look at your life and where you come from, has there been peace? Is it a great place for your kids to thrive?

What would you do if your family lived in Afghanistan? There is no peace, to say the future is unsure is an understatement, nobody knows what will happen next. Why not search for freedom elsewhere? Stable governments, education, work, food, and so much more.

Today someone told me that after his family left Afghanistan he traveled to Turkey then to Greece and now his journey has been halted. He and his family have lived on Lesvos in camps for over two years while many of his friends have gone on before them. I felt his frustration and tried to understand what it would be like, but it's impossible to understand unless you've experienced it.

I helped him with his heating unit which he was truly grateful for, walked out the small homemade plywood door and told him goodbye...

Written by an i58 volunteer. 🜵





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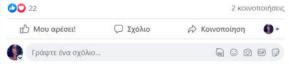
"I was talking with a 23 year old Somalian man who is married and his wife is expecting their first child very soon. I could see the concern and care in his eyes for his wife and the future of their family.

I am 19, there are a lot of decisions ahead of me that feel big and will affect the rest of my life— but talking with this man living in a refugee camp made me realize how privileged I really am."

—i58 volunteer

Serving in Greece can shape your worldview in a way that broadens your perspective and ignites a passion to use the blessings you have been given to bless others.





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11 Ιανουαρίου 2022 - ②

"I remember the first time (back in the Moria days) that I saw a woman who we knew was involved in trafficking. The man she was with did not let her have her phone or her papers or anything she needed to survive on her own. She was scared and constantly looking over her shoulder when we talked to her for a little bit in our office. She didn't want to be with him, she said, but she had to be.

I think that was one of the first times it hit me that trafficking is a real and active tragedy that happens everywhere— and to women not much different than me.

I don't remember much of what happened to that woman. But I remember her dark eyes and how they kept looking back over her shoulder and how she said she couldn't leave him."

-i58 Volunteer

Today is National Human Trafficking Awareness Day. We want to gently remind you that this tragedy is not something that can just be ignored. On Lesvos, the situation is much better then a few years ago. However, this is something that is still happening around the world, and likely, in your city.

Take a moment today to make a financial donation to organizations who work with individuals who have been trafficked, sign up as a volunteer, or pray for healing and restoration.





> Συντάκτης i58 Refugee Relief Update: Currently at 57% of our goal. Thank you to all who have



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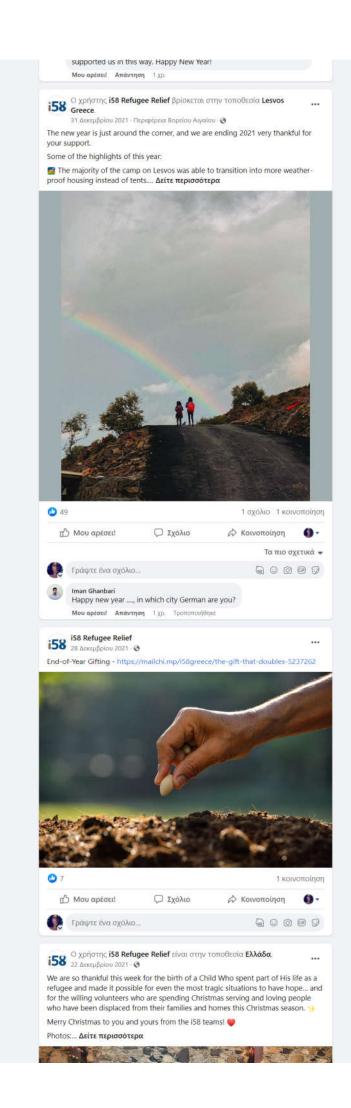
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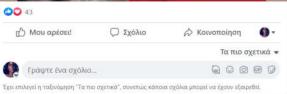
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i58 $^{\circ}$ χρήστης i58 Refugee Relief είναι στην τοποθεσία Ελλάδα. 8 Δεκεμβρίου 2021 · $_{\odot}$

DECEMBER SITUATIONAL UPDATE 🦑

- ♦ Winter has arrived on the Greek islands. Strong winds and heavy rain significantly affect those living in tents, but the smaller numbers in the Lesvos and Samos camps make it possible for volunteers and organizations to support more individuals as they deal with weather changes.
- On Lesvos, the Oasis remains open for small group meetings. This provides wonderful opportunities to interact with refugees on a more personal level.
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