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## ***A message from Rev. Jeff***

Hello all,

A while back we at TUMC had a presentation and discussion about how we might be able to do something in support of refugees. So far, we have not been able to find ways of offering direct assistance. But as I mentioned from the pulpit, there is now something that we can do!

Ithaca Welcomes Refugees (IWR) has worked with 9 refugee and immigrant families this year. <http://ithacawelcomesrefugees.org/>

Among the many other things IWR has accomplished is that they are opening Global Roots Play School <http://globalrootsplayschool.org/> which is designed to care for the children of parents who are taking English as a Second Language classes at First Presbyterian Church in Ithaca.

In conversations with folks at BOCES, who run the ESL program, IWR learned that not having care for their young children was an impediment for some of the parents who want to take these classes.

IWR's response was, "We can do something about this!" and Global Roots Play School is the result. My daughter Bronwyn is the Director of the school, which will be housed in St. Paul's UMC and will be open Mon – Fri mornings for children ages 18 mos. - 5 yrs.

Very exciting for me is that Bronwyn will be combining both her passion for children and her commitment to social justice.

The Play School is reaching out in many ways for funding, one of which is through GiveGab and fundraising leaders on that site. My wife, Sue, is one of those leaders on the GiveGab site.

Please consider donating to this very worthwhile program which will change the lives of immigrants and refugees in Ithaca.

If this sounds like a worthwhile ministry to you, you can give via the link below:

<https://www.givegab.com/p2p/global-roots-play-school/susan-j-losey>

or you can send a check directly to:

Ithaca Welcomes Refugees

315 N. Cayuga Street

Ithaca, NY 14850 USA (please put "Global Roots Play School" in the memo line of the check)

If you have any questions you can contact me - [tumcpastor@fltg.net](mailto:tumcpastor@fltg.net), 607-387-4227

I have also attached a letter with more information.

Thank you!

Rev Jeff

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