



## Welcoming the Stranger in Lansing – MT 230

Throughout the Bible, God demonstrates his plan for the movement of people. Part of that plan is for us as the church to love our neighbors, no matter where they are from. The course will start with learning why and how refugees, immigrants and other internationals come to Lansing. Then together we will build skills in communicating across language and culture barriers.

This course is based on experiential learning for all participants. The first weeks will be spent in the classroom discussing the following topics:

- Understanding the Biblical precedence for loving our international neighbors
- Learning the process for immigrants and refugees to settle in the United States and Lansing specifically
- Building skills to overcome language and cultural differences

The second half of the course will be spent hosting several Conversation Hours with local refugee and immigrant families. These sessions will be at the same time as Equipper's classes, but will involve starting conversations, playing games and building relationships with these international neighbors in Lansing.

\*No previous English teaching or international experience is required -- all are welcome!

**Facilitator: Joy Shantz**  
**Room 205 | No cost**