



GRACE Act - Message Examples

FAITH MESSAGE

My faith has taught me to welcome the stranger, stand with the vulnerable, and love my neighbor. It is with these values in mind that I am asking you to show mercy and hospitality to those fleeing persecution. I urge you to support the GRACE Act and ensure that our country welcomes at least 125,000 refugees each year.

SCRIPTURES YOU CAN INCLUDE, OR WRITE INSTEAD OF A MESSAGE

<u>From the Quran we read:</u> "And (as for) those who believed and fled and struggled hard in Allah's way, and those who gave shelter and helped, these are the believers truly; they shall have forgiveness and honorable provision." (Quran 8:74)

From the Torah we read: "Love your neighbor as yourself" (Lev. 19:18)

<u>From the Bible we read:</u> "And you are to love those who are foreigners, for you yourselves were foreigners in Egypt." (Deuteronomy 10:19)

"OUR AMERICAN HERITAGE" MESSAGE

As Americans, we live in a country built in part by the hard work, dreams, and determination of generations of immigrants and refugees. Sadly, it seems that our legislators have forgotten these lessons and have acted with fear instead of compassion. Today, I am asking you to remember our American heritage and support the GRACE Act, ensuring that our country welcomes at least 125,000 refugees each year.

"REFUGEE ARE LIKE US" MESSAGE

Refugees are mothers, fathers, and children. They are doctors, teachers, lawyers, business owners...etc. These people are no different than us; they are just looking for a chance to rebuild their lives and create a better future for their families. Today, I am asking you to show the same welcome we would hope for

ourselves. I urge you to support the GRACE Act and ensure that our country welcomes at least 125,000 refugees each year.

"WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION" MESSAGE

We are facing the worst refugee crisis in recorded history with over 26 million refugees, over half of whom are children, fleeing around the world. I believe that we have a moral and legal obligation to welcome refugees into the U.S. For this reason, I urge you to support the GRACE Act and ensure that our country welcomes at least 125,000 refugees each year.

"REFUGEE CONTRIBUTE TO SOCIETY" MESSAGE

Refugees revitalize cities and rural communities across the U.S. They fill empty jobs, become entrepreneurs, and invest in businesses that offer everyday goods and services. They are important to our economy and our rich culture as an American "melting pot." I urge you to support the GRACE Act and ensure that our country welcomes at least 125,000 refugees each year.

IF YOU ARE A REFUGEE YOURSELF

I came to the United States as a refugee from [COUNTRY] in [YEAR]. My family and I were forced to leave everything behind. As I reflect on my journey, I am grateful to the U.S. for giving me another chance. I understand the struggles of refugees firsthand, and I am disheartened to see this country is now denying that same opportunity to others. I am asking you to remain the beacon of hope you once were. I urge you to support the GRACE Act and ensure that our country welcomes at least 125,000 refugees each year.

FORMAT EXAMPLE

Your Name Your Address Date

Dear Representative/Senator XXX,

My name is X. I am your constituent, and I am contacting you to urge you to support the GRACE Act.

[INSERT MESSAGE FROM EXAMPLES ABOVE, OR PERSONAL MESSAGE]

Sincerely,

Your Name