



WV Disciples Women's Retreat SERVICE PROJECT—2011

WOMAN-TO-WOMAN WORLDWIDE TURKEY - SERVICE PROJECT ISTANBUL INTERPARISH MIGRANT PROGRAM



Istanbul Interparish Migrant Program (IIMP) was established in 1991 and focuses on the most marginalized groups of immigrants, namely women with children. It is an ecumenical program which includes:

Moms and Tots group providing weekly access to qualified health volunteers who provide information and referrals. They also provide programming for preschool children, a safe & nurturing environment, and a hot & nutritional meal.

Clothing donations are sorted and distributed to those in need. Blankets are provided in the winter.

Assistance to Families includes arranging for the safe delivery of babies and providing whole milk, multivitamins, and diapers to mothers and children. Also distribute food coupons, provide hot meals, and help with medical costs.

Subsidies for rent and utilities or travel subsidies are provided for some clients to assist with travel within Turkey for interviews or moves to help resolve their situation.

F.A.Q.s

Q: **What** do we need?

A: **Money!**

Q: **When** do we need it?

A: **In time for Retreat!**

Q: **How** can I help?

A: **Pray** for the program,

Participate by learning more at discipleswomen.org,

Partner with us as generous stewards to help fund the work!

Some ideas for raising funds...

- Host a turkey dinner, turkey-dog roast or turkey-salad luncheon for donations or set fee
- Build a "turkey bank." What? No creative papier-mâché artists in your church? Then dig through your attic for a classic Thanksgiving decoration and glue it to a box with a slot in it.
- Download a 5-page article on this project from the link on our regional website (wvdisciples.org/women) and share it with friends
- Let your creative juices go wild...tell the story!
- Share your creative ideas with others. Email them to the Regional Center (dchafin@wvdisciples.org) or call 304.428.1681

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