

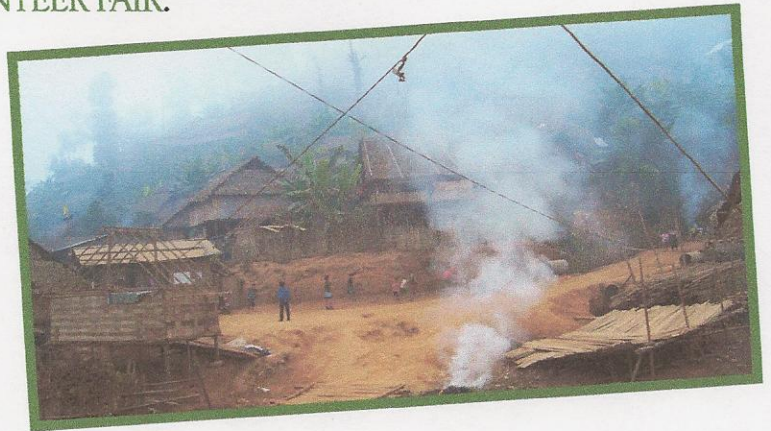
# a World of Need

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"For there will never cease to be poor in the land. Therefore, I command you, You shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy, to the poor in your land."  
Deuteronomy 15:11

Pilgrim United Church of Christ in Grafton is planning **A WORLD OF NEED** event on Thursday, May 19th, 2011 from 7pm to 9pm. This educational, free event will have information on **REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT** followed by a **VOLUNTEER FAIR**.

Almost a year ago Pilgrim UCC was introduced to the reality that refugee families and individuals are being offered safety and opportunity here in South Eastern Wisconsin. As these families enter the US, they do so with little means and many challenges. We decided to lend our experience as Americans, as well as other resources to do our part in welcoming our new neighbors. We invite you to join us as we talk about our experiences as sponsors. We have had our eyes opened to the fact that there is **A WORLD OF NEED**.



Our Guest speaker will be Bernice Koehler Johnson, author of **THE SHAN: REFUGEES WITHOUT A CAMP**. Bernice is an English teacher who spends four months each year in Thailand and Burma. She spends the other eight months speaking to church, school and civic groups about the plight of Shan refugees. The children she teaches have fled to Thailand with their parents, who live in constant fear of being deported and subjected to possible torture, imprisonment and death.

After her talk, we will introduce Jeffery Kirk, author of **"10 MILLION TO 1"**, a refugee resettlement guidebook.

In addition, John Ruebatsch, photographer, will have pictures of local refugee families on display. He recently had his collection on display at Walker's Center for the Arts in Milwaukee.

The refugee family that Pilgrim Church is sponsoring will join Bernice, Jeffery and John in a panel discussion moderated by Ben York of Lutheran Social Services. At this time, we will invite questions from the audience.

After the panel discussion, everyone will be invited to join us downstairs in Kalweit Hall for a Volunteer Fair and refreshments. We have invited several non-profit organizations and they will be available to discuss their current needs. Our goal is to raise the awareness of how important it is that everyone do their part to help others...

We hope you'll mark your calendar and join us on Thursday, May 19th at Pilgrim Church in Grafton. If you have any questions, please contact Donna Tredrea, [dtred@wi.rr.com](mailto:dtred@wi.rr.com) or call 262 377-8576.

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