Afghan Family Update

Those of us working with the family have a special request for our congregation as we near our one year anniversary of partnership. The program that grants visas to Afghans who helped the U.S. Military is at risk of ending next year after an extension was left out of the annual defense policy bill. Though we are working hard to get the family the status needed to continue on the path to U.S. citizenship, there are 60,000 Afghans in the same position and the government wheels turn very slowly. Please take a couple of minutes and contact our senators and congressmen/women and urge them to pass the Afghan Adjustment Act. This will allow the path to citizenship to move forward and the risk of being deported will cease Their numbers are:

Senator Josh Hawley (202) 224-6154 Senator Roy Blunt (202) 224-5721 Congresswoman Ann Wagner (202) 225-1621 Congresswoman Cori Bush (202) 225-2406

We want to add a word of thanks to Freddie's Market, who donated six huge bags of popcorn for the 'Baba Noel' party. It was a huge hit with the kids.

We had a lovely pizza party with the family at Sue and Glenn Davis's home last Sunday. The family had pizza and decorated holiday cookies and saw some of the holiday lights in Webster Groves before heading home.

We hope that you have a blessed and peaceful Christmas. We'll see you in the New Year!

In Partnership, Sue Davis, Sue Scott and Noreen Mayfield