

## An Evangelical Call for Bipartisan Immigration Reform

Our national immigration laws have created a moral, economic and political crisis in America.

Initiatives to remedy this crisis have led to polarization and name calling in which opponents have misrepresented each others' positions as open borders and amnesty versus deportations of millions. This false choice has led to an unacceptable political stalemate.

As evangelical Christian leaders, we call on Democrats and Republicans to lead our nation toward a bipartisan solution on immigration that:

- ★ Respects the God-given dignity of every person
- ★ Protects the unity of the immediate family
- \*\* Respects the rule of law
- ★ Guarantees secure national borders
- ★ Ensures fairness to taxpayers
- ★ Establishes a path toward legal status and/or citizenship for those who qualify and who wish to become permanent residents

We urge Congress and the President to work this year to pass immigration reform that embodies these key principles and that will make our nation proud.

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