



Welcome to the second edition of *The Faith Lead-er*, our NSC Faith Leader Newsletter!

Like millions of people around the globe, the NSC community is breathing a deep sigh of relief this week. We congratulate President-elect Biden and historic Vice President-elect Harris and look forward to an administration rooted in decency and truth. The 2016 election marked a turning point for NSC as the needs of our friends grew exponentially. While we now celebrate a new chapter in our national story, we know that the cruel policies that affect our friends have a deep history that reaches much further back than these past four years. NSC will continue to organize our communities for continued action, hold these newly elected officials to standards and continue to push for deeper systemic change. We are grateful to this community of faith leaders who stay with us in our fight.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

A Vision for the Next Four Years:

In biblical Israel, when a new king was crowned he was anointed by the priesthood and accountable to the prophets. [We have already issued our congratulations to president-elect Biden and vice president-elect Harris](#) and as they begin making the necessary preparations for transition into office we reaffirm our commitment to holding them accountable every step of the way. We expect that a Biden-Harris administration will more fully reflect the diversity of these United States, but representation is just the first step.

After years of disastrous, cruel immigration policies, the government will soon be given opportunities to right the many wrongs of the past and to pave the way forward to a more just future. They will hear from us every day as we encourage them to live up to the promise of our nation and the promises they made on the campaign trail. Promises like: reversing Trump's family-separation policy and putting an end to concentration camps at the border; restoring sensible asylum processes; investing in humanitarian initiatives for those victimized by the immigration system; rescinding the racist Muslim ban; protecting and expanding DACA; expanding protections for undocumented friends and providing a real path to citizenship for

those who want it; and reckoning with the innumerable abuses visited on our friends by DHS and ICE. All of these initiatives and more are possible if we are willing to work for them. No matter who is in the White House, the New Sanctuary Coalition is committed to fighting for a more just, equitable, fair country for all of its inhabitants.

More news for you:

[Here are Six Things Joe Biden Will Likely Do in Immigration](#) (Ted Henson, Reuters)

[Trump's 'Public Charge' Immigration Rule Is Vacated by Federal Judge](#) (Miriam Jordan, New York Times.)

WHAT TO DO NOW:

Support Pascale Shakoure Charpentier at his Immigration Hearing:

NSC has been closely following and supporting the case of [Pascale Shakoure Charpentier](#), born on a US Air Force base in Germany and now subject to deportation to Haiti, a country he has never been to and from which he knows no one.

This **Thursday, November 12th at 8:30am**, we will be in community at Pascale's immigration hearing at **201 Varick Street, Fifth Floor**. We know the presence of faith leaders can be highly effective in softening the hearts of the judges. Following the hearing, we will commence NSC's weekly [Jericho Walk](#), a silent march and prayer service in solidarity with individuals and families whose basic humanity is denied by our unjust and immoral immigration system. Please join us for Pascale's hearing and/or the Jericho Walk on Thursday if you are able. RSVP to meryl@newsanctuarynyc.org.

WHAT TO TAKE WITH YOU:

Imagining the impossible dream - Rev. Alexis James Waggoner

May my imagination be big enough
to consider as reality
A world where all beings flourish,
And not view this reality as an impossible dream.

We are still accepting submissions like Reverend Alexis for the Soul of Sanctuary project. Contribute an inspirational writing; meditation; or prayer [HERE](#).

The Faith Lead-er is sent every other Tuesday by the NSC Faith Coordination Team. For questions, comments, contributions, or to unsubscribe, email Neimeiserp@gmail.com.