



To Sanctity, Benedict XVI.

Washington D.C. USA,
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Holy Father,

Just as Mary and Joseph searched for care and protection for the baby Jesus, immigrants to the United States are searching to fulfill the human mission of providing shelter, food, education and protection to our families.

We are immigrant families, workers and residents of Prince William County, Virginia. Here in this county a law was recently approved that authorizes the local police to interrogate our status if they suspect that we are undocumented. This has resulted in poor people and people of color or with accents being targeted and persecuted. The jail in Prince William County is overflowing with Latino brothers and sisters who have committed no crime but to cross the border in search of work.

We are women, men, and children who are suffering greatly as the direct result of this law and the separation of our families. Children are losing their parents and wives are losing their husbands as those waiting for deportation are being threatened, treated as criminals and denied justice and dignity.

Across America hundreds of thousands of people are suffering the same as we are. Hate and racism have replaced the human values of love and acceptance. Immigration raids and deportations increase daily. All we are asking is that our human rights be recognized and respected .

It is with this thirst for justice that we come to you. From our humble position we appeal to you to intercede on behalf of all immigrants in the United States.

Your voice calls attention from those who have refused to listen to us. During your visit to the city of Washington and this nation we ask you to call upon those who govern and request of them to stop the raids and deportations, to stop this injustice that divides our immigrant families.

We know of your compassion and solidarity with those who are unprotected and that is why in this moment of desperation and hopelessness we ask you to alleviate the pain and suffering of our Calvary and that your words will be able to affect the heart, conscience and kindness of those who persecute us.

We will always be thankful to you and wish you health and happiness. Our hope is that God will always take you under his care.

Sincerely,

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Immigrants from Prince William County & more than 12 000000 on USA

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