

NOT IN OUR NAME (N.I.O.N.)

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In 2020, NION continued our focus of bringing awareness of the atrocities occurring to children and their families at the border. Our government has separated hundreds of immigrant children from their parents seeking asylum, upon arriving at the border. These families are often fleeing horrific violence and crippling poverty, and parents are doing everything they can to protect their children by coming to the United States. Taking these children from their parents is inhumane, unnecessary, and unacceptable. This has NOT been done In Our Name!

In addition to the ongoing components listed below, NION had multiple opportunities to broaden the reach of our advocacy and awareness through our campaign. March brought the opportunity for a collaborative event, Stories from the Border, with the WI UCC, sharing the stories and experiences of Linda Zuba - advocate, Pastor Randy Mayer - pastor of Good Shepherd UCC , near the US Mexico Border in Texas, and Noel Anderson and Katie Adams - UCC National Staff. A “task force” of 14 organized the various components of the event, to ensure a seamless start to finish. While the pandemic forced the cancellation of this face to face event, it was transitioned to a virtual platform, and offered 2 times over the course of the year, touching people far beyond the walls of our church! Additionally, the NION campaign had invitations to share information at the Fond du Lac Diversity Clinic, the Fond du Lac Adult Ed and Confirmation group, and the WI UCC Conference Immigration Task Force. The WI UCC Immigration Task Force continues to be interested in ongoing collaboration.

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There are new and exciting things on the way for 2021. Please consider joining us!