

American Baptist Women of Maine  
Zoom Meeting  
October 25, 2021

Those who attended: Stacey Emery, Wandah Clark, Doris Sherman, Marj Muise, Patricia Goodspeed, Lorna Hansen, Joyce Worden, Carolyn Eames, Meg Sawyer, Dina Richards, Linda Deane, Martha Walker and Julie Tankersley, Coordinator of Eastern Section of American Baptist Women

Operation Project Hope, the new name for National White Cross, was the topic for the evening. Specifically the current State Project.

The Massachusetts Baptist Multicultural Ministries, 99 Church Street, Lowell, MA 01852, shortened to MBMM, is our new project. Many of our churches and their women's groups, have supported this ministry in the past.

They have recently received 50 families, who are immigrants from Afghanistan. They have been told there is another 150 families coming. If you look at MBMM's website, [mbmm.org](http://mbmm.org), the picture of this first groups arrival at Logan International Airport is shown. They have no luggage! They have only the clothing they are wearing. Their needs are urgent!

Also on their website and in the resent Potential is the list of their needs It is a long list. Many Items can be "gently used". Everyone needs an apartment, furniture, linens, clothing of all sizes, winter clothing, dishes for cooking and eating, paper products of all kinds, soaps for body, dish washing, house cleaning and food. Concerning groceries they receive gift cards.

We have received word that many of our churches are collecting items for this ministry. Churches in southern Maine are packing cars, vans and trucks to make the journey to Lowell and save shipping costs. Churches in Northern Maine are sending checks and gift cards.

MBMM plans to have their usual Christmas Party this year. The Christmas List will be coming soon

Respectfully Submitted

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