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Join members of the Human Concerns Committee
on
Saturday, February 3rd

and learn more about the Maombi family

The joint St. Robert-Holy Family Human Concerns Committee would like to introduce the Maombi family.

Representatives from our committee met the Maombi family's plane on July 6, 2017 when they arrived in Milwaukee, their new home. The family is from the Congo, but spent time in refugee camps in Tanzania and Kenya before finally making their way to the United States. It was a joyous arrival for this family of thirteen! The family consists of Mom and Dad, two adult children, two high school children, four grade school children, and three toddlers. They are now settled into their new home and the children are enrolled in local schools. The parents and adult son are now employed, and the adult daughter is taking care of the three toddlers. This is a family of go-getters! The main sponsor is Catholic Charities, and our two joint parishes are helping with the "extras" that can really help the family as they undertake this giant step of assimilating in a new country after arriving with nothing but each other, their faith, and an infectious optimism. Our parish Ladies of Charity helped clothe the family over the summer, and committee members have helped with school supplies, uniforms, and books.

As Catholic Charities starts to phase out their help we are looking for additional ways to help the family. If you would like to find out more about the Maombi family, or about ways to help, members of our committee will be in the back of church after the 4:30 mass on Saturday, February 3rd. We will also have some of the local Congolese women selling their beautiful baskets they "crochet" from plastic bags.