

# Letter: Letters: ‘Celebrating Baylor’s Rise’ and ‘immigrants’

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## **RE: Letters: ‘Celebrating Baylor’s Rise’ and ‘immigrants’**

A letter last week claims: “No one hates these people [meaning ‘immigrants’]. No one is mistreating them.”

That would be news to many Christians and other Americans, as we see political figures using bigotry toward these unfortunate people for political gain. Whom would you rather live next door to you, a refugee or one of those political figures?

Have I ever lived next door to refugees? No, but I have shared our home with them. The first refugee family to settle in the Washington, D.C., area after South Vietnam fell came to live with our family of four in our tiny Army quarters on Fort Belvoir.

The refugee family consisted of a young man, woman and week-old baby. The baby was the first baby boy born to refugees in Camp Pendleton, Calif. They lived with us just longer than two weeks until we found housing and a job for the young man. They now have four children who address my wife and me as “Grandma” and “Grandpa.”

We hear a lot of talk about “border security.” The biggest threat we face is internally from those who orchestrated and/or carried out the Jan. 6, 2021, attack on the U.S. Capitol.

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