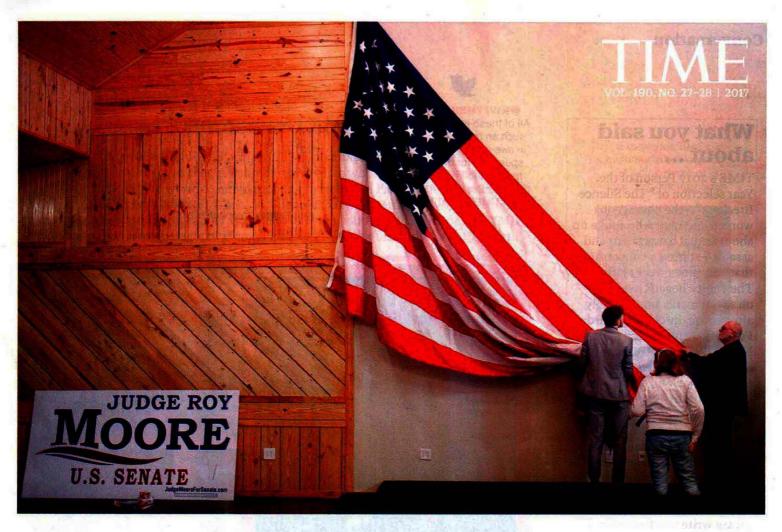
Journey's End The yearlong saga of three refugee families and their newborn babies

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What you said about ...

TIME's 2017 Person of the Year selection of "The Silence Breakers"-the courageous women and men who spoke up about sexual harassment and assault-started a conversation that continues weeks later. The choice began trending on social media immediately after editor-in-chief Edward Felsenthal announced it on NBC's Today on Dec. 6, and more people visited TIME.com that day than on Election Day in 2016. In the weeks since, writers and editors have received dozens of messages from readers who said they found comfort and solidarity in the choice-and who wanted to share their own stories. (If you have a story to share, please write to letters@time .com.) Here's a glimpse at the reactions so far:



@RWITHERSPOON:

All of these individuals are such an inspiration. I am in awe of their courage to speak out for those who have no ability to do so. #SilenceBreakers #MeToo #TIMEPOY @TIME

"The women's movement should not stop with sexual assault issues."

PAUL FEINER, Greenburgh, N.Y.



@THEELLENSHOW:

If you're feeling like you're too scared to speak up because the world doesn't want to hear what you have to say, let this be proof that your voice matters.

#TIMEPOY#MeToo





'This is a revolution that will lead to safer workplaces in every industru.'

@EXTRATREMEERIAL, Berlin



@EMMAWATSON:

Thank you to @TIME's
Person of the Year- the SILENCE
BREAKERS for your voices in
this time of change.

'We'll know we've turned a corner against sexual harassment when TIME's Person of the Year doesn't need to remain anonymous.'

KRIS SOWOLLA, Los Gatos, Calif.

When TIME announced that its Person of the Year would be the "Silence Breakers" (the women and men who've stepped into the light to share their sexual assault survival stories and launched the #MeToo movement), it was one of those explosive bursts of hope. It felt like the planet finally getting it right; a welcome rain of rightness to a place so parched for it.

JOHN PAVLOVITZ, pastor and blogger



@ELINATUOMIART:

Tarana Burke, who started the #metoo campaign before the hashtag is @TIME Magazine's Person Of The Year among other #SilenceBreakers? I thank you for your activism.

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SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT In "The Silence Breakers" (Dec. 18), we misstated when the claims settled by Bill O'Reilly and Fox News were first disclosed. The New York Times reported in April that Fox and O'Reilly had settled five claims against him. O'Reilly left the network later that month. In "Party of One" (Dec. 11), we misstated Senator Jeff Flake's views on Hillary Clinton. In his recent book, Flake said he opposed her candidacy for President on policy grounds, contrasting that position with those of people who seemed to think Clinton was "one of the darkest figures in human history." In the same issue, in the review "No Home on the Range on Epic-Scale Godless," we misidentified the creator of the series. It is Scott Frank, not its executive producer Steven Soderbergh.