

Families of Promise

Orphan and Adoption Resource and Support Ministry

A Ministry of Kentwood Community Church

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Dear Friends,

Thank you for your interest in our “Affording Adoption” packet. If you have picked up this packet, no doubt you are feeling a tug at your heart toward adoption. We know from experience that affording adoption is often the #1 concern of individuals/families considering or pursuing adoption. We hope you will be encouraged to know that, with God’s help, individuals and families who thought it was impossible are continually finding the finances coming together for their adoptions. Praise God!

We at Families of Promise encourage you to look at adoption as a mission, where we are helping to change the world, one child at a time. God has commanded us many times in the Bible to care for orphans. James 1:27 (NIV) says, *Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.* We encourage you to help your family and friends to see adoption as part of a mission field, where God has given EVERYONE the responsibility to care for orphans in some way. By asking friends and family to help, financially or otherwise, you are providing them with an opportunity to fulfill this responsibility and to play a vital role in the lives of the children that you make your own through adoption.

Contained in this packet are useful ideas and tools as well as information about programs that may help make your dream of adoption a reality. Make sure you check out our own “Sam and Ellie Adoption Fund” which was established in 2006. We hope and pray that the information and support will be helpful to you on your journey. If you have further questions, suggestions, or concerns, please don’t hesitate to contact us. Further information is available on our Families of Promise web site at www.familiesofpromise.org.

May God bless you as you search for wisdom to make decisions regarding adoption.

For His children,

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