



Adoption Resources

This is not an exhaustive list, but rather a list of agencies and resources used or recommended by Grace Church families who have adopted or the Christian Alliance For Orphans (CAFO).

International & Domestic Adoption Agencies

- **Adoption Minnesota**
612-333-0489; www.adoption-minnesota.com
Domestic only
- **America World Adopting Agency (AWAA)**
1-800-429-3369; www.awaa.org
International
- **Bethany Christian Services**
763-553-0344; www.bethany.org
Domestic including adoption from Minnesota foster care, International
- **Children's Home Society & Lutheran Society Services**
651-646-7771; www.chsfs.org
Domestic and International
- **CCAI Adoption Services**
303-850-9998; ccaifamily.org
International
- **God's Children Adoption Agency**
877-431-5877; www.adoptgodschildren.com
Domestic and International
- **International Adoption Services, Inc (Edina)**
952-893-1343; info@ias-www.org; www.ias-ww.com
Domestic and international
- **New Horizons Adoption Agency**
507-526-3518; www.nhadoptionagency.org
Domestic and international
- **New Life Family Services (Richfield)**
612-866-7643; www.nlfs.org
Domestic only (infants)
- **Summit Adoption Home Studies (Saint Paul)**
651-645-6657; summitadopt@uswest.net; www.summitadoption.com
Domestic and international

Adoption Grant & Loan Programs

- **Abba Fund**, www.abbafund.org
Adoption assistance for Christian families through interest-free adoption loans, grants and family adoption funds.
- **Both Hands**, www.bothhands.org
Both Hands helps families fundraise for their adoptions. A family gathers a team of volunteers and Both Hands coaches them to coordinate a service project fixing up a widow's home. Both Hands - One for the widow. One for the orphan.
- **The Micah Fund**, www.micahfund.org
Promotes the adoption of American black and biracial infants and children by providing financial grants to qualified adopting couples who live in Minnesota and surrounding cities.
- **LifeSong**, www.lifesongfororphans.org
Awards adoption grants and loans.
- **Lydia Fund**, www.lydiafund.org
Helps Christian married couples adopt children out of orphanages and similar institutions overseas by praying, by providing financial assistance, and by mobilizing God's people to participate in this mission.
- **Gift of Adoption**, www.giftofadoption.org
Awards grants to support domestic and international adoptions
- **Show Hope**, www.showhope.org
Awards grants to support domestic and international adoptions.
- **Elijah's Truth**, www.elijahstruth.com
Adoption grant available to families living in Minnesota, North Dakota or South Dakota
- **Kaitlyn's Fund**, www.katelynsfund.org
Awards grants to support domestic and international adoptions to Christian couples.

Adoption Websites & Blogs

- www.adoption.state.gov
A comprehensive website that will guide you through questions about the requirements and process of international adoption broken down by country.
- *Christian Alliance for Orphans (CAFO)*, www.christianalliancefororphans.org
CAFO unites more than 150 respected organizations and churches worldwide. They work together to inspire and equip Christians for effective orphan care, adoption, and foster care.

Adoption Websites & Blogs (cont.)

- www.child.tcu.edu
Free downloadable resources from Dr. Karyn Purvis.

<http://hopeathomeblog.blogspot.com/>
A blog by Dr. Susan Hillis and Beth Templeton, dedicated to helping adoptive and foster parents encounter the Father's heart for their families, partnering with God to transform orphans into sons and daughters.
- www.howtoadopt.org
Starting your adoption journey? This website helps you understand the process and find the resources that you need.
- <https://loving-shepherd.org>
Interested in taking the first steps of your adoption journey? LSM offers a variety of resources that will provide personalized guidance for you and your family.
- www.mnadopt.org
Minnesota Adoption Resource Network (MARN). MN ADOPT is dedicated to supporting and sustaining the families who adopt Minnesota Waiting Children.

Adoption/Pre-Adoption Books

- *Before You Were Mine* by Susan Tebos & Carissa Woodwyk
- *Successful Adoption – A Guide for Christian Families* by Natalie Nicholas
- *Adopted for Life: The Priority of Adoption for Christian Families and Church* by Russell D. Moore
- *Adopt Without Debt: Creative Ways to Cover the Cost of Adoption* by Julie Gumm

Post-Adoption Books

- *Adoptive Parent – Intentional Parent* by Stacy Manning
- *Attaching in Adoption* by Deborah D. Gray
- *Beyond Consequences, Logic and Control*, by Heather T. Forbes, LCSW and B. Bryan Post, LCSW
- *Building the Bonds of Attachment* by Daniel A. Hughes, PhD
- *The Connected Child* by Dr. Karyn Purvis
- *Thriving as an Adoptive Family* by David Sanford
- *Transforming the Difficult Child* by Howard Glasser and Jennifer Easley

