



Foster Care Resources

This is not an exhaustive list, but rather a list of agencies and resources used by Grace Church families who have done foster care or from the Christian Alliance for Orphans (CAFO).

Foster Care Websites, Blogs & Resources

- *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.
- *www.child.tcu.edu, empoweredtoconnect.org*
Free downloadable, professional resources, including TBRI practitioners by location.
- *Children's TherAplay, 651-773-0354, ctplaymn.com*
Physical and occupational therapies with horses. Various locations.
- *EvermoreCommunity.org*
Encouragement, support & community for foster and adoptive families.
- *Focus on the Family, <https://theforgotteninitiative.org/resources/>*
Foster care resources, encouragement, and blog.
- *The Forgotten Initiative, <https://www.focusonthefamily.com/resources-adoption-foster-care/>*
Foster care and adoption resources & book recommendations.
- *Hope Connections, tohavehope.com*
Help for foster and adoptive families to form connections through education, coaching, and hands-on experiences so that these children and their families might experience healing and a new outlook for a positive future.
- *<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.mnadopt.org*
Minnesota Adoption Resource Network (MARN). MN ADOPT is dedicated to supporting and sustaining the families who foster and/or adopt Minnesota Waiting Children.
- *Safe Haven Foster Shoppe, www.safehavenfostershoppe.org*
Assistance & free goods for children in the foster care system.

Foster Care/Parenting Books

- *Another Place at the Table* by Kathy Harrison
- *Beyond Consequences, Logic and Control*, by Heather T. Forbes, LCSW and B. Bryan Post, LCSW

- *The Body Keeps the Score: Brain, Mind, and Body in the Healing of Trauma* by Bessel van der Kolk
- *Building the Bonds of Attachment* by Daniel A. Hughes, PhD
- *The Connected Child* by Dr. Karyn Purvis
- *The Connected Parent* by Lisa Qualls and Dr. Karyn Purvis
- *Does Anybody Else Look Like Me?* By Donna Jackson Nakazawa
- *Faith, Hope, & Connection: A 30-Day Devotional for Adoptive and Foster Parents* by Melissa Corkum & Lisa Qualls
- *Give Them Grace: Dazzling Your Kids with the Love of Jesus* by Elyse M. Fitzpatrick and Jessica Thompson
- *Honestly Adoption: Answers to 101 Questions About Adoption and Foster Care* by Mike & Kristin Berry
- *Transforming the Difficult Child* by Howard Glasser and Jennifer Easley
- *The Whole-Brain Child: 12 Revolutionary Strategies to Nurture Your Child's Developing Mind* by Daniel J. Siegel & Tina Payne Bryson
- *Why Gender Matters: What Parents and Teachers Need to Know About the Emerging Science of Sex Differences* by Leonard Sax

Podcasts

- *The Adoption Connection (also applies to foster care)*
- *Connected Families: Parenting Kids From Hard Places (Episode 45)*
- *The Empowered Parent*
- *The Honestly Adoption Podcast (also applies to foster care)*

This resource list will continue to be updated and can also be found online at grace.church/oneless.