

SEEKING ADOPTION

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Well, we are not really orphans—but, adoption is a beautiful word that helps describe the strong relationship that we are seeking between our family and the churches and friends that pray and support us. The church at Antioch, in a sense, adopted Paul and Barnabas as special messengers of the Gospel to Asia and Europe (Acts 13:1-3). We are hoping to have the same relationship with the people who send us.

We encourage everyone we meet to prayerfully consider adopting OUR FAMILY as their missionaries. We hope that you will discover that adopting us as your missionary family can be a very rewarding experience. It will open your life and the life of your family to a world that is completely unseen in your present context. You will gain a new perspective of your world, the world outside the U.S. and learn what God is doing in foreign lands while you become more directly involved in reaching the world for Jesus Christ.

How and Why Adopt OUR FAMILY

Much of the effectiveness of adopting a missionary truly depends on you taking the time to know the family or individual you are adopting—in this case us. If you adopt a small child, you don't just assume you know all you need to know and then head down some predetermined path. So, as with a child, we are seeking people to be involved in our lives and ministry through prayer, communication, and material support.

- **Prayer:** Augustine said, "Without God, we cannot; but without us, God will not." Prayer is the life blood of missions—and we covet it!!! I tell you, nothing is more humbling and encouraging than when someone tells us they have been praying for us.
- **Encourage and Communicate:** Being in a foreign land is often like being on another planet. In Kenya, we are completely disconnected from the churches, people, and community we left. Therefore, we are seeking people who are willing to keep us connected to the life we left.
- **Material Support:** You might be surprised, but most missionaries receive the majority of their monthly financial support from individuals and not from churches—it is the same with us. We really depend on individuals to adopt and support us financially. The average amount individuals give missionaries is usually between \$25 and \$50 per month. Currently, we are still short about \$2000/mo. (only 40 people at \$50/mo.) in order for us to return in January as planned. Therefore, we are seeking people to prayerfully consider financially supporting us on a monthly basis on top of their normal tithes to their church.
- **Adopt A Missionary.Info:** For more information on effectively adopting OUR FAMILY in prayer, in communication, and in material support, as well as other ways to support them go to www.adoptamissionary.info or talk to your church's missions pastor or committee.