Summer 2021



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## A FATHER'S STORY

By a CAS Adoptive Father

"Like most adoption stories, we had little notice before the placement of our son. We got the call from Christian Adoption Services two days after our son was born and 10 days later we were holding him in our arms, still not sure if he would be ours forever.

Like any first time parent, when you find out that you are going to become a father every emotion rushes through you. Excitement, nervousness, fear of the unknown. You question yourself - the moment you hold your child for the first time all of those emotions are

washed away and all you feel is pure joy.

Once you become a father you begin to live life differently. You live life for your child, and everyday I try to be the best husband, father &



role model I can be for him. My son pushes me to be a better person every day so that I can help guide him in becoming a respectable, loving young man."

Networking with Pregnancy Centers

Emily, caseworker in Fargo, had the opportunity in June to network with several pregnancy centers and hospitals throughout Minnesota. She visited 28 locations in 14 cities in 4 days! It was encouraging to hear all the great work these pregnancy centers and social workers are doing on a daily basis. Many pregnancy centers are not only coming alongside women (and men!) in a difficult time, but they are also sharing the love of Christ along the way.

We pray that we can partner with these agencies to help support expectant parents in crisis. We would love if you would also pray for these organizations, their staff, and their clients.

In June, Jeannie, caseworker in Bismarck, began partnering with Dakota Hope in Minot to have regular

office hours there twice a month. If other pregnancy centers would like one of our caseworkers to come, they can reach out to our office at 701-237-4473.

Jeannie and Emily will also be offering adoption essentials education in June, July and August to pregnancy centers that want to learn more about presenting adoption to clients. All of our upcoming education opportunities can be found on our website.



## In 2021 we taught:

2 College Classes {70 students}

**10** H.S. Classes **{173** students**}** 

4 Pregnancy Centers {20 staff}

**6** SWCEU Classes **81** social workers



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2 Corinthians 3:17

## OUR NEEDS LIST:

- ✓ Annual Impact Foundation Membership (Giving Hearts Day) - \$795
- $\checkmark$  New Laptops (2 3)
- ✓ Postage Funds \$50+
- ✓ Printer Toner \$172 \$235 (414A W2020A Black HP Laserjet)
- ✓ 10 Books: *Heart of a Birthmother* by Terri Gake
- ✓ Area Women Magazine Ad \$350
- ✓ Off the Wall Ads (16 locations) \$405
- ✓ Hibu Monthly Ads \$450