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Adoption and Foster Care

A CHILD ONCE IN CRISIS BECOMES A MAN OF INFLUENCE

HOPE

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ation for what you have, and a personal faith to draw strength.

At Show-Me, Jon made the most important decision of his life: to follow Christ. He remembers standing in the house discussing with his houseparents what Christ meant to him, and receiving Christ in baptism soon after. Although he grew up in church, he never had a faith before Show-Me. A variety of activities and experiences nurtured his young faith. "This is where I made the decision that this is what I am going to live for...grounded in Christ...follow Christ - that is my hope."

A boy forced to be an adult

After a year at Show-Me, Jon's mother reunited the family. Jon reflects, "Honestly, my childhood would have probably been better if I had stayed here longer." The family continued to struggle back in Columbia. As the oldest, Jon was thrown into an adult role to help. While in middle and high school, he worked part time to pay bills and watched his siblings when his Mom was

gone. He recounted days the power was shut off, opening the fridge to find no food, and knowing the family was continually on the verge of homelessness. "Somedays, I wish that I had a better childhood, but I'm grateful for going through those struggles because they prepared me for the challenges I would face later in life." Although this time of his life was unstructured and chaotic, Jon credits Show-Me with laying a foundation of confidence for him to overcome any challenge.

An Overcomer finds a way

"My guiding compass is that I've got to be seeking God," Jon says. "Through trials and tribulations, sometimes it was a matter of just putting my head down and keep moving forward. I learned resiliency going through challenges as a child."

With that attitude of determination and fortitude, Jon worked construction



jobs while going through college. He learned new skills on the job and his attitude to always find a way gained him the reputation as the "git'er done" guy. He earned a Master's Degree in Business Management and started his own construction company in Columbia, Mo.

Jon's impact reaches far beyond his job. With a family of his own, he and his wife, Robyn, a dermatologist, strive to raise their three children with the struc-

ture, responsibilities, and fun he remembers made such a difference in his life. He contributes greatly to his community and to the Kingdom. He is active in his church, leading a weekly small group. In 2014, Jon accepted a position on the Board of Directors at Show-Me Christian Youth Home. "I never dreamed I would be on the Show-Me Board, able to help kids in the same shoes I was in."

In 2015, he received Show-Me's first-ever Overcomers Award, presented to a former Show-Me child who has reached beyond childhood challenges to become a successful adult. He stands as a testimony of what a place and family like Show-Me can do for a young life. He is an inspiration to the young people who currently call Show-Me "home." In his acceptance speech, Jon concluded, "Show-Me is an arm of God's grace. It was a big influence that helped steer me to the successful life I have now. I am merely one instance of how your efforts have helped change lives."

Metro Voice & National Adoption Month

This is National Adoption Month. In Kansas and Missouri there are more than 1,000 15-18 year olds in foster care. Many of these youth are seeking adoption and permanent, lifelong connections, which are critical to helping them prepare and succeed as they enter adulthood.

National Adoption Month is an initiative sponsored by the Children's Bureau, in partnership with AdoptUSKids and Child Welfare Information Gateway. Each November, National Adoption Month brings awareness to the needs of children and youth seeking and waiting a "forever family." This year, specific attention is being paid to the needs of the thousands of these older youth, ages 15-18, who face the challenges of aging out of foster care and beginning their independent, young adult lives.

The National Adoption Month website, <https://www.childwelfare.gov/topics/adoption/nam/>, contains an entire section dedicated to providing adoption and permanency-related resources and tips for families, including families considering adoption and families that have adopted. It also supports child welfare professionals in preparing families for adoption and talking with older youth, who may feel they are too old to be adopted.

Metro Voice is proud to partner in this effort as we bring the issue to the public's attention. This partnership would not be possible without the many sponsors of our special October, November and January editions of the paper.

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In October we featured Kansas children who needed adoptive families. This month we feature several Missouri kids who need forever homes through adoption. They are full of life and love and so desperately want families to love them in return.

For more info contact Kristin Gilgour, Cornerstones of Care at (816) 508-6206 or email Kristin.gilgour@cornerstonesofcare.org

Alex

Alex is a 10-year-old little boy with short black hair and wondrous eyes.



Alex is a very active little boy who likes to be on the move, but don't let his energy fool you. Alex loves structure and routine. He loves to play outside and swim. Alex loves to eat. One of his favorite snacks is peanut butter, and his favorite treat is ice cream.

Alex can play with other kids but typically prefers to play independent of others. Alex enjoys being around people, but needs reminders on how to set boundaries regarding personal space. Alex responds best to a nurturing yet firm voice, and a calm demeanor.

Alex is in need of a forever family that

will provide him with consistent structure and routine. Alex thrives in this type of setting. Alex needs a forever family who can be patient and understanding with him and his needs. Alex's forever family will need to understand that Alex also needs age appropriate boundaries and discipline that reflect his developmental age rather than his chronological age.

Alex's forever family will need to have knowledge and access to resources that support Alex's developmental delays. Alex will need to attend a school with specialized services to help him thrive at school. Alex's forever family will need to continue all support services for Alex.

Alex is legally free for adoption.

Anna

Anna has a fun and playful personality. She enjoys laughing and likes to make other people laugh. Her hobbies include "Live Action Role Play", baking, watching movies and debating. Anna enjoys being outdoors and loves all kind of animals. Her favorite holiday is Halloween, and she enjoys dressing up and going to costume stores.



Anna is currently in ROTC, which

she greatly enjoys. She has reported her goal is to be in the military and continues to work towards becoming physically fit to do so.

Anna understands what adoption means and is open to the idea of being adopted. Anna would like to remain in the Kansas City, Missouri area. Anna has connections to some of her birth family members and would like to maintain those relationships as long as they are safe and appropriate.

Anna is legally free for adoption.

Emily

Emily is a beautiful young lady with big brown eyes and brown hair. One of Emily's most endearing qualities is her



loyal nature. Emily is a determined and intelligent young lady. Emily is looking forward to earning her high school diploma in May 2017.

Emily is a first-time mom to a handsome baby boy born in the fall of 2016. Although she knows this will come with difficulties as a first-time parent in addition to her young age it is important for her that she keep her family together. Emily has a desire to stay in the Kansas City area in an effort to maintain stability in a transition.

Emily needs a family that is understanding and supportive of what she has experienced in her past, as well as what her needs will be in the future; both as a child and as a mother. She needs the support to make safe decisions and have a sense of independence as she grows into young adulthood. Emily needs a family who is willing to be flexible as she deals with normal teen adjustments in addition to the transition into becoming a parent.

A family will also need to understand and support Emily's close bond with her family of origin and the father of her child. Emily would feel most comfortable in the home of a single woman based on her past experiences.

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Robert Zornes | Mother's Refuge

So often we hear people say they are pro-life. When we ask them what they are doing about it, they say, "Nothing." I believe that being pro-life takes an active stand. It's something that we do to actively show that we believe all life is valuable. Being pro-life means helping in many ways including volunteering at a maternity home.

We have several volunteers that help relieve the mothers while they are studying in school or just relaxing for a few minutes.

Another way that someone could help is to volunteer their needed professional services. We often need carpenters, plumbers, electricians, handymen, cooks, hairdressers, and many more. If there is not something for you to do right then, you will be put on a call list of people that are willing to help. So, when the garbage disposal isn't working, the door is jammed,

or a room needs painted, you can be called to come repair it. Many pro-life ministries are on a very tight budget, and having a list of volunteer professionals to call is a blessing.

Another way for volunteers to help these young mothers is to be a House-

parent Helper. That is someone that comes one or two days a week and assists the Houseparent. At Mother's Refuge we call them "life savers", because they are there to help watch the babies, cook a meal, get girls ready to go on an outing, or just being an extra hand. There are many times when every mother wishes she had an extra hand.

It is a blessing to help these young moms turn their lives around. As Jesus said, "As you do unto the least of these, you do also to me". Being a pro-life volunteer truly ministers to those in need who are there to get a second chance at life.

If you would like to volunteer at Mother's Refuge, contact Katie@MotherRefuge.org or call her at 816-800-0453.

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Mother uses adoption experience to help others



Stephanie Boothe | Metro Voice

For Galen and Teresa Herbic, adoption was the only way to build their family.

"We determined to start our family differently than most. As far as we know we can have children biologically, but we decided we'd rather adopt instead," Teresa said.

One evening while watching television, the couple started casually discussing adding children to their home. At that moment, an image came across their screen – it was a picture of babies everywhere to accompany a story about babies abandoned in China. After watching a bit, the couple agreed they wouldn't mind doing an international adoption.

"We knew that was God's call on our lives. So, we put in our application to adopt via referral from China," Teresa said.

Their daughter, Meyana, was a year old when they adopted her from China. "It was a dream come true," Teresa said.

Their son, Braxten, joined their family in very similar fashion. Teresa, a writer, was researching a story about adoption when she saw his picture and knew God was intervening.

"I saw my son (Braxten) and fell in love with him instantly. He was in Kazakhstan and we didn't even know where

that was, but we were all in," Teresa said. "He was about 16 months old when we first visited him. We were in Kazakhstan for a month in the dead of winter (19 below zero), but we were happy and content just to be with our son."

Teresa is the co-founder and advisor of Families For Adoption, a community-wide support group at the Pleasant Valley Baptist Church in Liberty. Founded in 2005, the group helps anyone interested in adoption, foster or orphan care.

The group organizes various activities and meetings through out the year and has leaders to help in various aspects of adoption and foster care.

Some of the areas include domestic adoption and foster care, international adoption as well and general adoption and orphan care.

Teresa first got involved with the organization when her friends were talking about starting an adoption support group. Their dream was to start a region-wide support group.

"We agreed to work with them on the founding of the group from the ground up. We first surveyed the church and found there were over 100 families who had been touched by adoption in some way," Teresa said. "We knew it was a mission from God."

For Herbic, the most important thing Families for Adoption does is serve God

and his orphans.

"Jesus says in John 14:18, 'I will not leave you as orphans, I will come to you,'" Herbic said. "To me, that is our

calling, to reach out and help orphans however we can and to help families, too, in the process, while serving our awesome Savior most of all."

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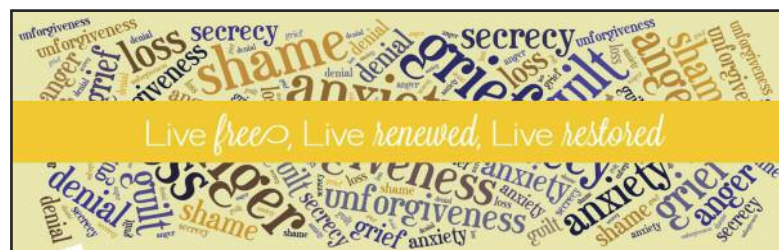
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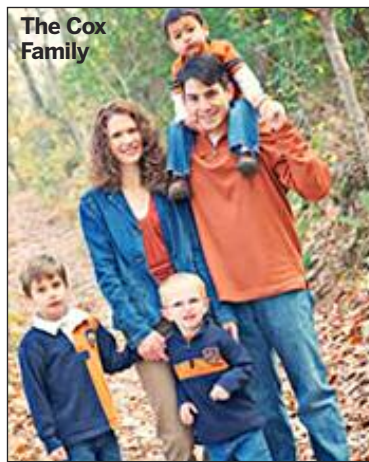
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SHOEBOX

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"My shoebox had every shade of pink I could think of," Elena said.

Yet what caught her attention most was not anything inside the box. With her box, she received a booklet in her native language called The Greatest Gift. The booklet told her about the love of God, the problem of sin and the good news of God's plan of salvation through Jesus Christ. It all seemed too wonderful to be true.

"I thought that was the biggest fairy tale I'd ever read," Elena said. "But I was hopeful this fairy tale was actually true."

She held onto that hope and began praying for a forever family. Through a series of events only God could have orchestrated, Elena and her sister were adopted twelve years ago into a family from Wentzville, Missouri.

After growing up in a poor, abusive and alcoholic home, Elena's adoptive father began to show her the love of God, which helped her to see her Heavenly Father in a different light. The first time she ever heard the words "I love you" said to her was at the age of twelve when her father learned how to say the simple but powerful phrase in her native language.

As Elena began realizing the story in the booklet she received with her shoebox was no fairy tale and her new family showed her God's love, and she began her personal relationship with God.

For her, it has been a faith journey that began with a shoebox, and opening that shoebox took some courage.

"I was afraid to open my shoebox because I had been so disappointed so many times in my life I was afraid the inside wouldn't be as beautiful as the outside," Elena said.

When she saw her sister, who loves art, open her box to find it filled with art supplies, Elena was able to gather the

■ sidenote

Operation Christmas Child by the numbers

- **1993**
The year Operation Christmas Child started
- **135 million**
The number of OCC shoeboxes distributed since the project began
- **150**
The number of countries OCC shoeboxes have been distributed
- **9.5 million**
The number of shoeboxes OCC hopes to collect from the US in 2016
- **12 million**
The number of shoeboxes OCC hopes to collect worldwide in 2016
- **72,000**
The number of shoeboxes OCC hopes to collect in the Kansas City area in 2016



Elena in Uganda

courage to open her box and see that each box has special meaning for the child who receives it.

That courage has taken root and today Elena is a college graduate with plans of going to the mission field one day to bring the love of Christ to others. She also spent time recently touring the Kansas City area sharing her story at various local churches.

In the years since Elena received her

shoebox, Operation Christmas Child has also begun a 12-week discipleship course called The Greatest Journey that teaches children how to grow in their faith and share their faith with others. To date, about 7.4 million children have completed the program.

Getting involved

For those interested in making a difference in the life of a child like Elena, November marks shoebox packing season with national collection week this year being November 14 to 21.

Additionally, Operation Christmas Child has teams of year-round volunteers in communities throughout the United States to make the ministry possible. Tracy Brander of Blue Springs, Missouri, is such a year-round volunteer with a heart for the ministry. Her church, Faith Covenant Church in Blue Springs, participates in the ministry, and she is a network coordinator for collection sites in Jackson and Lafayette counties. That means she coordinates with all project leaders at participating churches and drop-off locations to ensure all boxes are collected and shipped out to processing centers.

"There is a real sense of community," Tracy said of her friendships with other OCC volunteers. "These people love the kids, love the ministry and do what they need to make sure the kids know that Jesus loves them."

Volunteers have other roles as well, including coordinating participation in community groups, mobilizing prayer efforts, media relations and more.

i moreinformation

More information about volunteer opportunities can be found on-line at samaritan.org/cc

■ SALVATION ARMY

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bags of groceries, or shelter an individual for a night. This year, volunteers will be ringing bells at more than 250 locations in the Kansas City area. To volunteer to be a Salvation Army bell ringer, go to www.ringkc.com or call 816-756-1455.

Volunteers may choose the day, time and location most convenient to their schedule. A minimum two-hour shift is required.

"Bell ringing is a great way to get into the spirit of the Christmas season and give back to the community," said Major Charles Smith, divisional commander of The Salvation Army in Kansas City. "We have lots of families sign up each year, as well as students needing community service hours, and small groups looking for service projects."

The money collected during the Red Kettle Campaign supports a number of Salvation Army programs in the Kansas City metropolitan area including emergency rent and utility assistance, homeless services, youth and senior programs, substance abuse services and disaster response.

"As always, volunteers are critical to the overall success of our Red Kettle



Members of the Mustang Club of Greater Kansas City helping as bell ringers at Christmas.

Campaign," said Major Smith. "Every cent dropped into a Red Kettle allows us to meet the on-going and ever-increasing demand for the services we provide."

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FOSTER ADOPTION NETWORK (NETWORK 127)

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