



# BELOVED MINISTRY NEWSLETTER

April 2016

## **Foster Parent Information Meetings**

Montgomery County Foster and Adoptive Parent Services will have information meetings at the Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services in Rockville on Wednesday, **April 13 at 6:30 pm** and Thursday, **May 19 at 6:30pm**. For additional information, please see the attached document to this email.

## **Waiting Children in the United States**

AdoptUSKids has a photo listing of waiting children throughout the United States and in tribes and territories. Not all children available for adoption are photo listed so look through the links that are provided by the site. The site is: <http://www.adoptuskids.org/meet-the-children/state-photolists>

## **Life before Foster Care**

A 21 year old young lady living in New York has written about how foster care rescued her in her youth. To read the article, visit: <http://youthtoday.org/2016/03/getting-myself-back-living-in-foster-care-with-people-who-let-me-be-a-child/>

## **Dr. Karyn Purvis: Raising Children from Foster Care or Orphanages**

Children who have been placed in foster care or orphanages face unique challenges. To learn more, visit <https://creatingafamily.org/adoption-category/dr-karyn-purvis-raising-children-foster-care-orphanages/>

## **Adopted as an Adult**

Join in the celebration of these children who were adopted as adults:

<http://adoptingteensandtweens.com/2016/02/14/lorraine-hayward-adopted-at-20-shares-why-that-was-important-to-her/>

and

<http://m.citizensvoice.com/news/at-21-woman-finally-finds-forever-family-1.2008465>

## **Foster Care Infographic**

The most recent information and trends about foster parenting are displayed in this infographic published by Simmons School of Social Work. To learn more visit:

<https://socialwork.simmons.edu/demystifying-the-foster-care-system-infographic/>