



*Churches caring for those who  
care for orphaned children*



Foster families are the heart and soul of foster care. The safe and stable homes they create provide care and healing for abused and neglected children removed from their homes each year.

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*Sadly, 50% of all foster families quit during their first year, commonly citing feelings of isolation and a lack of support.*

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*my faith FAMILY* churches surround each foster family with volunteers-we call "Villagers"-who embrace the call to care for those who care for orphaned children.

# Engaging the Church in Foster Care

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Foster care agencies have typically focused on what churches can give--money, resources, the occasional volunteer--but neglected to harness the church's unique capacity to share love via relationships.

Healthy foster families produce healthy foster children. ***my faith FAMILY*** churches care for the foster families so they can care for orphaned children.

## PROGRAM ELEMENTS

1. PCHAS and ***my faith FAMILY*** work together to create stronger foster parents and healthier foster children.
2. ***my faith FAMILY*** is the church's ministry, providing leadership, volunteers and funding.
3. The ministry is focused on foster families.
4. The church provides an intergenerational culture of care, surrounding each foster family with Villagers trained to offer care, prayer and community.
5. The ministry is woven into outreach, evangelism, youth and congregational care ministries at the church.
6. Prayer is the foundation of ***my faith FAMILY***.



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