

ABCFM

Tell Us About Your Organization

- What do you do/provide?
 - Foster Care Services
 - Single Parent Support
 - Counseling
 - Preschool Center
- What's your mission?
 - The vision of Arkansas Baptist Children and Family Ministries is an Arkansas filled with healthy childhoods, healthy families, and healthy churches. ABCFM believes this vision for Arkansas is possible through a strong partnership between our ministry and Arkansas Baptist churches to make Christ-centered counseling, family advocacy, and foster care resources available to vulnerable children and families across Arkansas.
 - The mission is to build, strengthen, and restore Arkansas families for God's glory.
 - The Core Competencies inform our mission and ministry to Arkansas families.

 Across every area of ministry, ABCFM staff and volunteers serve with these shared values:
 - o | RELATIONSHIP

To welcome children and families into trusting relationships

• | ENVIRONMENT

To relentlessly promote a safe and nurturing environment

| FAMILY-FOCUSED

To promote family as the most significant place of influence

• | EMOTION-REGULATION

To practice and teach healthy emotional expression

| REDEMPTION

To share the Gospel through speech and action

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How can a group from Geyer Springs Partner with you throughout the year?

ABCFM Staff Appreciation for child-welfare workers

This organization includes caseworkers, social workers, counselors and advocates dedicated to meeting the needs of children and families in crisis. There are many themed months that emphasize the opportunity to appreciate these individuals who work tirelessly in Connected Foster Care & Adoptions, Desired Haven Family Care, and Living Well Counseling. Specific months and info can be found by filling out the <u>ABCFM Staff Appreciation form</u>.

Friends of the Ministry

Have your small group host a gathering that would be interested in hearing staff members share about transformed lives through the work of the ministry. This would invite new friends of the Ministry to partner with ABCFM in order to share:

Finances

Relationships

Interests

Experiences

Networks

Donations

Skills

There are endless ways to use a group's God-given talents, business expertise, hobbies or resources to bring about healthy childhoods in the state of Arkansas. If interested, fill out the <u>Friends of the Ministry form</u> to make arrangements.

Desired Haven Family Care Needs

There are approximately 6 single moms who live in Little Rock's Family Care home. Car maintenance is often a huge need. There is a need for mechanically minded people who could teach ladies how to maintain their car. Desired Haven could also use gift cards to get oil changed, tires rotated, etc. For many Mondays during the years, the ladies have a bible study on Monday night and could use child care volunteers who are willing to be background checked. There is also a need for advocates who would come alongside those at the Home. Ongoing needs include:

-detergent, paper towels, toilet paper, bathroom cleaning supplies, and hand soap

If interested, email <u>nitzia.david@arkansasfamilies.org</u>.

Connected Foster Care

A big need for Connected Foster Care is for foster families and support of foster families. There is always a need for more families to join Connected so that ABCFM is able to serve more children across the state. There is an especially high need for those who would be willing to take sibling groups or teenagers. Another high area of need is for people to come alongside foster families and support them. Foster families would love the support of a group willing to host a parents night out at the church while they get to go on a date night. There are also bi-monthly support groups that churches have hosted. If a Sunday school class would be willing to provide childcare and a meal for these foster families while they fellowship with one another, that is a way to serve them. Often there are kids in foster care that have trouble with sleeping at night and foster parents have needs for weighted blankets and even sensory sheets. To donate these items would be incredibly helpful to foster care families. There is also a need for stocking our freezer with frozen meals that Connected can take these to families when they get a placement so that they will not have to worry about dinner for a few nights when they take a placement. ABCFM is also hoping to do a school supply drive to help these families get school supplies for placements going into the school year, and keeping it stocked so that when families take placement throughout the school year they do not have to worry about going to the store and buying a lot of school supplies the first few nights of placement to get them ready for school.

If interested, email tara.ledford@arkansasfamilies.org

Tour the Central Office

If a group would like a hands-on approach to understanding and "seeing" all the wrap-around services provided by ABCFM, schedule a Central Office tour of the Markham Street location with sherry.brooks@arkansasfamilies.org

Gift Card Drive

Caseworkers are often transporting children to and from supervised visits, doctors appointments, etc. The caseworkers will often need to do some immediate shopping for kids who come into care suddenly without resources. There are also children in the Desired Haven Family Care homes that could benefit from the occasional treat, meal out, or store item. Gift cards are especially useful in these situations and can be distributed to different ABCFM locations around the state. Gift cards can include, but are not limited to, restaurant/fast food, retail stores, Amazon, etc.

Volunteer

If a group would like to schedule a time to provide manual labor at either our Central Office Resource Center in Little Rock, Homes for Children in Monticello, or The Ranch near Harrison, email tonya.larmoyeux@arkansasfamilies.org. Also, there is a need for individuals who are willing to distribute our magazines to businesses, libraries, etc around town.

Caring HEARTS PREGNANCY CENTER

Caring Hearts

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Caring Hearts offers the following services:

- Pregnancy Testing
- Verification of Pregnancy
- Limited Ultrasounds
- Chlamydia & Gonorrhea STI testing and treatment
- Abortion Pill Reversal
- Adoption information and Referrals
- Sexual Integrity/Abstinence Education
- Bible Studies and One-on-One Mentoring
- Parenting Classes
- After Abortion Recovery Program for Men & Women
- Fatherhood Program: Male volunteers meet with father-of-baby for crisis intervention,
 offer mentoring classes for parenting and/or Bible Study.
- Through these services, the aim is to offer life-affirming support and solutions to mothers and fathers facing unexpected life circumstances by fostering a Christ-centered view of human life and sexuality.

Location/Contact Information

Contact Person: Donna Ezell

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- Website: https://chpregnancy.org/donors
- Facebook: Friends of Caring Hearts Pregnancy Center (closed group for supporters, ask to join)
- Instagram: @caringheartspregnancycenter

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 Have church groups come at the change of seasons and offer to do landscaping projects (we have 2 locations).

- Need a handyman (or two) to call to fix small things as they arise
- Need more volunteers to work with clients. Client advocates, Bible study mentors, Male Volunteers for the new Fatherhood Program, and volunteer nurses (RNs).
- Organization projects (baby store, storage of supplies, etc.)



CityChurch Network

Tell Us About Your Organization

- Building on the foundation of a twenty-year movement of prayer and serving the city,
 CityChurch Network is a multi-denominational, multi-ethnic, relational network uniting churches in Christ through extraordinary prayer, trained leaders, and collective impact.
 - Extraordinary prayer is prayer that is increasing, unceasing, and persevering.
 CityChurch Network unites churches through an annual pastor's prayer summit,
 One Voice City-wide evenings of Prayer, the Arkansas Prays 24/7 Church Prayer Initiative and Leader Prayer Groups.
 - More than just leadership training, churches need trained leaders. CityChurch Network connects churches with a church-based, sustainable, and scalable approach to train their leaders.
 - CityChurch Network seeks to unite churches in Collective Impact Initiatives
 informed by research, empowered by the Holy Spirit, and focused for greater
 impact.
- CityChurch Network exists because: "Many are disillusioned because of fragmented and
 ineffective efforts that fail to bring significant change. But... Together We Can Build a
 Flourishing City. What if we could work together for significant change? What if our
 community was working together with a common vision, best practices, measurable
 outcomes, and alignment toward significant change."

Location/Contact Information

Contact Person: Lauren Linz

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- Join in 24/7 prayer: Geyer Springs prays the 2nd monday of the month
- Join a training / cohort: Contact Adam Miller at amiller@qsfbc.orq



Deeper Still

Tell Us About Your Organization/School

• The Arkansas chapter of Deeper Still is one of thirty across the U.S.

• The mission of this ministry is to bring healing and lasting freedom to men and women with abortion wounded hearts. The participants attend a weekend retreat free of charge and experience life transformation and personal revival only Jesus Christ can bring.

Location/Contact Information

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- Donations are a huge blessing since this ministry is a 501 c 3 non-profit and provides all retreats free of charge
- Prayer throughout the year for the team and participants
- Prayer partner for specific retreats and sign up for a prayer watch
- Provide snacks or help with washing linens for retreats



Friendship International

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- Friendship International ministers to all internationals living in the central Arkansas area.
- The purpose is to provide them with a welcoming place to meet their intellectual, physical and spiritual needs. Friendship International offers free ESL classes, conversation classes, citizenship preparation classes, Bible study, crafts and fellowship. This ministry is committed to presenting the gospel to international friends each week. This group meets at 9:00-11:30 each Thursday during the school year at Immanuel Baptist Church in Little Rock.

Location/Contact Information

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- Provide snacks for one or more weeks.
- Teach a craft lesson.
- Help with child care.
- Teach a class.
- Share a short devotion to present the gospel.

New Beginnings



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New Beginnings offers:

- Pregnancy Testing
- Verification of Pregnancy
- Limited Ultrasounds
- Abortion Pill Reversal
- Adoption information and Referrals
- Sexual Integrity/Abstinence Education
- Bible Studies and One-on-One Mentoring
- Parenting Classes
- After Abortion Recovery Program for Men & Women
- Fatherhood Program: Male volunteers meet with father-of-baby for crisis intervention,
 offer mentoring classes for parenting and/or Bible Study.
- Baby clothing and other supplies for 0-2 year olds
- Maternity clothing
- Through these services, the aim is to offer life-affirming support and solutions to mothers and fathers facing unexpected life circumstances by fostering a Christ-centered view of human life and sexuality.

Location/Contact Information

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Renewal Ranch

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- Renewal Ranch is a faith based residential addiction recovery program for men ages 21 and older. It is located on 138 acres near Conway, Arkansas. Founded on the belief that addiction is a spiritually rooted issue, Renewal Ranch is on the front line of a battle against the addiction crisis that is gripping our nation. Renewal Ranch residents are shepherded and loved through three distinct phases of the Renewal Ranch program. This 12-month program includes counseling, teaching, Bible study, work, and volunteer service. Residents are given the opportunity to develop a personal love relationship with Jesus Christ, and that changes everything! Through this relationship, they can find freedom from the chains of addiction, forgiveness from their past, and hope for their future.
- Renewal Ranch leadership desires to help break the chains of addiction by training up
 disciples for Christ who are committed to giving back to their communities and helping
 other men and their families overcome the problems associated with addiction.

Location/Contact Information

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• Facebook: Renewal Ranch

- Renewal Ranch currently has a 40 man Residential Phase 2 Apartment Project under construction on campus. This will allow the ministry to have Phases of the Program on 138 acres.
 - Need financial support, in kind donations to help complete this project.



The Call

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- The CALL is a non-profit organization that mobilizes local churches to serve families impacted by foster care. This ministry provides a way for Christians to invite the mission field into their homes, to serve those most vulnerable in their communities as foster or adoptive homes. The CALL partners with the Division of Children and Family Services to recruit, train and support families impacted by foster care. The CALL has resource centers across the State of Arkansas. These centers are utilized by DCFS along with biological families daily. Families have the opportunity to connect with their children in a home-like setting. These centers see families cooking and eating together, and overall the children and families have better quality family visits because of the centers. Each center also houses clothing closets, freezers for meals when foster homes take new placements. Saline county specifically is able to train families at our centers to become new adoptive or foster homes. This ministry also has a storage unit for DCFS that houses twin beds, bunk beds, cribs, mattresses and bedding. DCFS uses these for a variety of needs for both biological families, kinship homes and foster homes. Through church partnerships, The CALL has been able to encourage marriages by providing gift cards for dates, and opportunities to connect and encourage one another.
- **The Mission:** To educate, equip, and encourage the Christian community to provide a future and a hope to the children in foster care in Arkansas.

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- Diapers size 3 and 4,
- any size pull-ups for boys
- 2t/3t pull-ups for girls
- Wipes

- Gift cards to local restaurants that we use throughout the year to encourage foster parents to spend time on their marriage and singles to take time for selfcare
 - Gift cards to local stores so teens can choose their own clothing that is their style.
 - New sneakers toddlers to adult 8
 - Several times a year churches collect and put together bags to give to foster parents: some of the families' favorites have been papergoods, cleaning supplies