



Force For Christ Orphan Outreach
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Greetings from Force For Christ Orphan Outreach!
Please read this letter to learn about our ministry.

Force For Christ is committed to helping orphans internationally. We are a 501c3 non-profit licensed agency. Our mission is *“to enrich the lives of children globally through hope, education, and love.”* We are dedicated child welfare professionals who love children and God. We have over 40 years combined experience working with orphans. We take the scriptures literally and seek to help orphans in need. We are currently working with the war-torn country of Ukraine. We have contracts in the works with Malawi and Moldova, as well. We offer orphan hosting and mission trips with these countries.

Our agency has worked hard to build relationships with orphanages in these countries. We travel and meet with the directors face to face and spend time in the orphanages getting to know the orphans. We personally interview orphans who are interested in living with a loving family in America for 4-5 weeks in the summer or winter. Orphan hosting is a mission that the whole family, church, and community can be a part of without traveling to another country. We

simply call it a “Home Mission” as it is bringing the mission to your home, church and community.

After we have completed our interviews with the orphans we work to find “host families” for these children. There are typically 50-100 orphans who are available to be hosted and we place their pictures and a short biographical summary of the child on a secured site for families who have filled out a preapplication to view. We work with those families to find the right match for the orphan and the families. After an orphan has been selected by a family we start working with our international partners to obtain the needed paperwork for the orphan to visit America.

There is a cost to orphan hosting. This cost varies from season to season depending on air travel, in country travel, paperwork fees, insurance, home safety assessment fees, and chaperon and translator fees. The cost does not exceed \$2950 per child being hosted. We encourage families to work with their family, friends, churches, and community to fund raise the expenses for the orphan to come for a visit. We have many ways that we assist in the fund raising efforts. We have personally witnessed families raise money for a sibling group of 4 orphans to visit America in a matter of 6 weeks. When you step out in faith believing that God





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is in this work, He abundantly supplies and works miracles.

When orphans come to America, typically this is the first time they will experience a functional family. Many of them have not experienced the little things like being tucked in bed at night, having gifts purchased for them, understanding and feeling the love and bond of a family, and the biggest of all is experiencing the love of Jesus. This is a time for the host family and others around them to shower love and blessings on the orphan and teach them about Jesus. This may be the orphans only opportunity to learn about and experience this love. We also encourage the families to take the orphan to the dentist and to the eye doctor. Our agency will help with these arrangements if needed.

We have talked with orphans who have come to American and then returned to the orphanage. They are not sad that they had to leave their host family and America rather, they are excited to have had the opportunity. Many of them can still speak the English they learned while being immersed in the American culture, they tell amazing stories of their adventures in America, they carry around their photo books of these adventures, and most of all they still know the love of a family. We work hard to stay connected with the orphan when he or she returns to the orphanage and we encourage the host family to do so as well. Host families are able to continue to send packages to the orphans, write letters, and at times skype or use social media to stay in touch. We have personally witnessed these orphans, after returning to their orphanage, continuing to feel confident and secure after their experience. Also, many have even thanked us on our return trip to visit them for assisting in the wonderful experience they had with their host family in America.

Churches and communities can get involved to help sponsor a child or help a host family raise money to host a child. It truly does take a village to raise a child and God has commanded us to help the orphans. This is a great way for churches and communities to get involved and actually not just support the orphan financially but spiritually and physically. Host families are encouraged to bring the orphan to church and to special outings and community events. The churches and communities are encouraged to pour into these orphans while they are here. Please take time to encourage families to host and assist in the fund raising efforts. Below we have outlined additional ways to help and support orphans:

- Host an orphan
- Fund raise with a family that is hosting
- Give financially to a family that is hosting
- Give funds for a scholarship for an orphan to be hosted
- Provide opportunities for fund raising events
- Take up a special offering or collection for an orphan or orphanage
- Become a prayer partner and pray for each orphan, host family, and orphanage



A few of the children hosted by FFC in July, 2015



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Contributions can be mailed to Force For Christ or visit our website and click on our paypal link to give. Our website is www.forceforchrist.org

Force For Christ also offers mission trips. We take a team of 15-20 people to international orphanages for 7-10 days to provide for and work at orphan camps. We do this right at the orphanage. We offer many activities at the camp including arts and crafts, video game design, talent shows, teaching English language, and most of all we have the opportunity to love on these children and teach them about Jesus. The cost per person for the mission trip will range from \$1500-\$2200. Your church, business, community, or organization also will have the opportunity to “adopt” that orphanage and make 2 trips a year to work at the orphanage and send gifts and supplies over throughout the years. This is an exciting time and is something that many individuals can take part in together.

We have also included some links below that you can read and watch to learn more about **Force For Christ**. Remember, all contributions may be tax deductible. We hope you will consider partnering with us to make a difference in the lives of orphans.

Respectfully,

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Leaving the Ukraine airport in July, 2015, bound for the USA



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