

# MICAH'S HOPE GRANT APPLICATION

## I. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

This section may be reproduced from your agency application if adopting through Lifeline Children's Services

<b>HUSBAND</b>	<b>WIFE</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Name:</b>
<b>Address:</b>	<b>Address:</b>
<b>Phone Numbers:</b>	<b>Phone Numbers:</b>
<b>Marriage Date:</b>	<b>Marriage Date:</b>
<b>Previous Marriages:</b>	<b>Previous Marriages:</b>

Provide marriage date, termination date and how terminated.

<b>Current employment:</b>	<b>Current employment:</b>
<b>Address:</b>	<b>Address:</b>
<b>Telephone #:</b>	<b>Telephone #:</b>
<b>Position:</b>	<b>Position:</b>
<b>Length of employment:</b>	<b>Length of employment:</b>

How long have you been a follower of Christ?

<b>Husband:</b>	<b>Wife:</b>
<b>Inform us of your own church attendance please:</b>	

Husband, please compose a brief life story including your home life growing up and now, educational experience, church life, and anything else that you think will help us get to know you.

Wife, please compose a brief life story including your home life growing up and now, educational experience, church life, and anything else that you think will help us get to know you.

## II. STATEMENT OF BELIEFS

Each prospective adoptive parent should complete these questions individually (This section may be reproduced from your agency application if adopting through Lifeline Children's Services. If not, please answer these questions here).

### HUSBAND

<b>Who is Jesus Christ?</b>	
<b>How does one become a Christian?</b>	
<b>What does it mean to be born again or to be born of God as mentioned in Bible passages such as John 3:3-8 and I John 3:9, 5:1, and 4?</b>	
<b>How do you know that you have complete assurance that you are going to heaven? What Bible verses can you name that give assurance?</b>	
<b>Who is the Holy Spirit and what are some of His functions?</b>	
<b>How do you deal with the sin problem in your life?</b>	
<b>What do you believe a person is to do to grow spiritually?</b>	
<b>Do you have a daily time when you pray and read God's Word?</b>	
<b>What are your beliefs about the authority, importance, and existence of the Bible?</b>	
<b>What are your beliefs about the Trinity?</b>	
<b>What denomination or type of church do you attend?</b>	
<b>What is the purpose and function of the Church?</b>	
<b>What is your spiritual responsibility to your children and how do you fulfill this?</b>	

**WIFE**

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### III. YOUR PURPOSE FOR ADOPTION

<b>What are your reasons for adopting?</b>	
<b>What expectations or hopes do you have for your adopted child?</b>	
<b>What should you pass on to your children in regard to spiritual life?</b>	

### IV. FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

<b>Total estimated cost of adoption:</b>	
<b>How much have you raised to date?</b>	
<b>What amount remains to be paid?</b>	

**To what extent is your church involved in helping with adoption costs?**

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### PLEASE LIST ALL DEPENDANTS

<b>Child's Name:</b>	<b>Child's Age:</b>
<b>Male:</b>	<b>Female:</b>
<b>Biological:</b>	<b>Adoptive:</b>
	<b>Child's Birth Date:</b>

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**OTHER DEPENDANTS**

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Relationship:</b>
<b>Age:</b>	<b>Specify any illness:</b>

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**Do any of the above dependants have special needs? If so, please explain.**

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<b>What is your current family secured debt?</b>	
<b>What is your current family unsecured debt?</b>	

**What is your plan to pay off this debt? (attach and explanation, as needed)**

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<b>What is your Annual Gross Total Income (including both spouses income, if applicable)</b>	
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<b>Are you receiving financial assistance from any other source? (i.e.: Other organizations, home equity loans, personal loans, family members, etc.) Please specify sources and amounts:</b>	
<b>What methods have you used to raise funds for this adoption?</b>	
<b>What are your financial options for financing your adoption (home equity, family assistance, etc.)?</b>	
<b>Please inform us of any special financial considerations or circumstances that make affording adoption expenses difficult: (Please attach additional pages if necessary.)</b>	
<b>Are there any current financial obligations that are not listed in your home study, or has your financial information changed since completion of the home study? If so, please explain:</b>	
<b>If this is not your first adoption, how was/were your previous adoption(s) financed?</b>	

## V. REFERENCES

(Please mark the best way to contact each reference.)

Minister/Elder (if attending this church less than a year, please list previous pastor also)

<b>Pastor's Name</b>	
<b>Church:</b>	
<b>Phone:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Email:</b>	

<b>Father's Employer:</b>	
<b>Supervisor's Name:</b>	
<b>Name of Business:</b>	
<b>Phone:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Email:</b>	

<b>Mother's Employer: (if applicable)</b>	
<b>Supervisor's Name:</b>	
<b>Name of Business:</b>	
<b>Phone:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Email:</b>	

## V. REFERENCES CONTINUED...

<b>HUSBAND'S FAMILY MEMBER</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	
<b>Phone:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Email:</b>	

<b>WIFE'S FAMILY MEMBER</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	
<b>Phone:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Email:</b>	

<b>HUSBAND'S LONG-TIME FRIEND</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	
<b>Phone:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Email:</b>	

<b>WIFE'S LONG-TIME FRIEND</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	
<b>Phone:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Email:</b>	

## **VI. WAIVERS**

We, both spouses, hereby grant the right to receive and review our adoption agency application to Micah's Hope, for the purpose of determining our ability to receive an adoption grant from them.

<b>AGREE</b>
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<b>DISAGREE</b>
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## **VII. SIGNATURE PAGES**

We verify that the information included in this application is correct and true to the best of our knowledge and that if any of the information herein changes, we will notify Micah's Hope prior to their decision.

<b>AGREE</b>
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<b>DISAGREE</b>
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## **VIII. APPLICATION TIMELINE**

Don't forget to submit your application (just below) before leaving the site.

Micah's Hope will contact applicant within 30 days from receipt of completed application and processing.

The Micah's Hope board of trustees will meet with the adopting family within 10-15 days after contact. (Both spouses must attend and children are welcome.)

The Micah's Hope board of trustees will make a decision within 10 days of board meeting and notify adopting family.

Funds will be sent to the appropriate adoption agency 3-4 days from decision of the board.