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Thank you for your interest in the Woodward Adoption Assistance Fund. Christian Adoption Services was founded by Jim and Doris Woodward in 1979 with a focus on international adoptions. The agency moved to North Carolina in 1989 and shortly thereafter began working with pregnant women in the state which established the domestic adoption program. Over the years, CAS has placed more than 2,000 children with a Christian family. We are grateful for our agency's unique history and the blessing of great leadership.

The mission of CAS is to build God's Kingdom by connecting vulnerable children with Christian families. Our focus as a ministry is based on this statement combined with the call of God in James 1:27 to care for orphans. The Woodward Adoption Assistance Fund was established in 2017 to assist current adoptive families in the CAS international or domestic programs with the cost of their adoptions. The CAS staff is sensitive to the cost of adopting and desire to keep fees as low as possible so that many Christian families can answer the call to adopt.

Our prayer is that the ministry of CAS can be a blessing to all of our adoptive families during a time of prayer and waiting for the child that God has in store for them to parent. If you are chosen as a scholarship recipient from the Woodward Fund, we pray those funds will be an additional blessing to you. We would also love to see each scholarship recipient consider giving back to the Woodward Fund in the future to help those families who have the same calling to "make the difference for one".

Please know that CAS counts it a privilege to partner with you in your call to adopt. God bless!

In Christ,

CAS Leadership Team

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# **Woodward Scholarship Fund Application**

Personal Information		
Husband's Full Name	Age	
	Age	
Street Address	City	
State	Zip Code	
Employer, Position, Salary & Length o	f Employment:	
Husband		
Wife		
Names and ages of biological children in	family	
Have you adopted previously		
If so, name and ages of children in family	?	
Church Name and Denomination		

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Church Activities \_\_\_\_\_

## **Personal Statement**

Are there any needs/special considerations you would like the committee to know about?

Why do you desire to build your family through adoption?

## **Financial Information**

Current Income per Month (NET)

Salary (Adoptive Father)	\$
Salary (Adoptive Mother)	\$
Other (specify)	\$
TOTAL NET INCOME PER MONTH	\$

Expenses per Month

Home Mortgage or Rent- Monthly Payment	\$
Second Mortgage, if applicable	\$
Auto Loan	\$
Other Loan(s) (specify type)	\$
Utilities (including gas, electric, water, sewer, phones, internet, television)	\$

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Food (including meals out)	\$
Transportation (insurance, fuel, maintenance)	\$
Medical Expenses	\$
Misc. (e.g. tuition, clothing, recreation, pets, other)	\$
Charitable Contributions	\$
TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSES	\$

#### Assets

Cash	\$
Checking Accounts	\$
Savings Accounts	\$
Investment Accounts (not retirement)	\$
Life Insurance (cash value)	\$
Retirement Accounts	\$
Market Value of Home (if owned)	\$
Auto Values	\$
Personal (antiques, jewelry, collectibles, household)	\$
Other (describe)	\$
TOTAL CURRENT ASSESTS	\$

## Liabilities

Home Mortgage Balance	\$
Auto Loan Balances	\$

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Credit Card Balances	\$
Other (describe)	\$
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$

Total Net Worth (Assets-Liabilities): \$\_\_\_\_\_

## **Additional Funding Sources**

How are you funding your adoption and how much have you raised thus far? Please be specific as possible (online, t-shirts, etc.)?

Are you utilizing a crowdfunding platform? If yes, how much have you raised?

Are you applying for any other grants, loans, or financial assistance? If yes, please specify which grants, how much you have received thus far and what are you anticipate receiving?

How have you paid for your adoption expenses thus far and how do you intend to pay for the balance?

Any other information regarding how you plan to fund your adoption?

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## **Selection Process**

- Applications will be accepted and reviewed quarterly. Deadline submission dates for 2023 are March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31.
- Applications will be reviewed by the Woodward Adoption Assistance Fund Committee and applicants will be notified approximately two weeks after deadline submission date from a member of the Christian Adoption Services Leadership Team.
- Woodward Adoption Assistance Fund Committee will make final decisions based on a case-bycase basis based on the information provided in the entire application package. Because the selection process is highly confidential due to the sensitive materials reviewed by the committee, we are unable to discuss outcomes or results with anyone.
- Applicants must have a completed home study by CAS and will be used as part of the application package.
- Applicants must be fully accepted and vested in CAS program for placement.
- Applicants cannot have an outstanding balance with CAS for services rendered at the time of application submission.
- Domestic program applicants
  - Admittance and Birth Mother Fee must be paid in full at the time of the application submission.
  - Award gifts will only be applied toward your final payment to CAS after all other funding and grants are processed. Any funding amount that is in excess will be returned to the Woodward Adoption Assistance Fund for other applicants. No money will be paid directly to awarded applicants. Award gifts will only be applied toward your final payment to CAS.
- International program applicants
  - Award gifts will only be applied toward your final payment to CAS. The Woodward Adoption Assistance Fund and other grants awarded will be applied to payments you still owe or you have working from the last required CAS payment and up. After all other funding and grants are processed, any funding amount that is in excess will be returned to the Woodward Adoption Assistance Fund for other applicants. No money beyond what the applicant themselves has paid, can be refunded.
- Applicants awarded give permission to share their story and photographs with CAS founders and staff.

Applications should be emailed to Laura Nichols-Virgilio, Executive Director of International Adoptions at Inichols-virgilio@bchfamily.org

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Adoptive Father	_ Date:	
Adoptive Mother	_ Date:	