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A letter from our President...

Dear CAS friends and families,

Summer is here! This season of the year provides a great opportunity for some family time away from the rigors of every day life. I hope you will enjoy some quality time with your family. School will be staring back before you know it. Speaking of busyness, I am about to complete my first 90 days at CAS. Wow - Been a whirlwind of learning and meeting people, but an unbelievable blessing. I never tire of sharing with others about what God is doing through our agency. It is a privilege every day to wake up and serve in this Kingdom-building ministry.

It was great to meet many of you at the CAS family picnic in April at Dan Nicholas Park. What a beautiful place! We had almost 200 people there for this annual event. I am already looking forward to next year. I am excited about another family event coming up in August as well. CAS night at the Ballpark in uptown Charlotte will be held on Tuesday, August 16th at 7:00 p.m. We have a group of tickets available for that evening, as CAS will be featured pre-game with an on-field interview and a video shown on the big screen. This will be a great night for the ministry. We hope you and your family will be able to join us. More details can be found in this newsletter about that event.

I am also excited about going on a mission

trip in July to Monterrey, Mexico on behalf the ministry to serve at an orphanage. God has obviously burdened me for the vulnerable in our world and this trip will open my eyes even more to fulfilling our mission. Please be in prayer for this trip and that God will move in these children's hearts.

Please be in prayer as I raise awareness all over the Carolinas about adoption and our ministry. God has given me a tremendous platform to speak in churches all across North and South Carolina. I have already preached in four churches and have many more planned later this year. All of these churches I have spoken at are excited to partner with us in some way and have taken love offerings for CAS. I don't believe it is every Christ-followers duty to adopt, but I do believe it is every Christ-followers duty to be involved in this issue. Thank you for being involved and apart of what God is doing through the ministry of CAS. Your support means more than you will ever know.

Lastly, make sure to read the info in this newsletter about the fall golf tournaments. We are excited about hosting two tournaments - Charlotte (September 12 - registration is now open) and Rocky Mount (October 14 - registration opening soon). These are going to be two great



tournaments that we need you to help us with. If you live near Charlotte or Rocky Mount and would like to volunteer, we would love to have you. Your participation as a golfer or spreading the word to other golfers to play would help us tremendously. We are also still looking for sponsors or items for the silent auction. Our goal for both tourneys is to raise \$25,000.00 for the ministry. Thanks for your help and support of these events.

Take care and have a safe summer with your family.

In Christ,

Kevin Qualls

Kevin's Speaking Schedule

July 10th - Sharon Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC

July 17th - First Baptist Church, Pacolet, SC

July 31st - Tega Cay Baptist Church, Tega Cay, SC

Come hear Kevin as he speaks about adoption at the churches above--he would love to see you there!

If your church or group is interested in having Kevin speak, please contact the office at 704-847-0038, or e-mail Kevin, kevin@christianadopt.org.

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1st Annual
GOLF
CHALLENGE

MONDAY,
SEPTEMBER 12TH

CEDARWOOD COUNTRY CLUB
Charlotte, NC

9:00 AM
Captain's Choice

Dear CAS family,

Join Christian Adoption Services at the Fall Golf Challenge on Monday, September 12th at Cedarwood Country Club in Charlotte, NC. We want you to be a part of this special event for CAS that helps us achieve our mission to “build the Kingdom by connecting Christian families which vulnerable children”. It really doesn’t matter whether you golf or not, because the Golf Challenge is about supporting our mission and living out James 1:27 by caring for orphans. I pray we can count on you to golf, volunteer, donate or sponsor.

The goal for this years Golf Challenge is to raise \$15,000. This is a big challenge that will require many people and businesses who believe in the mission of CAS and the impact we are having here and all over the world.

Please prayerfully consider what role you can play in the year’s Golf Challenge.

- **Become a sponsor** - There are several ways to sponsor. Show your support and spotlight your business. Join the businesses who have already committed their support.
- **Register a foursome** - Enjoy a day at the golf tournament with three friends.
- Register to golf - Enjoy a day at the golf tournament and be matched with other individual golfers.
- **Give a donation** - Not a golfer? Or available on September 12th. Then give a tax-deductible gift to CAS. Any gift is appreciated.
- **Make a gift-in-kind** - Contribute items for tournament prizes or silent auction items; donate lunch for the golfers; donate water and soft drinks, snacks, etc.
- **Volunteer** - contact erin@christianadopt.org for details. There are many ways to volunteer, please let us know if you would like to help.

The Golf Challenge offers a tremendous opportunity to support domestic and international adoption ministry and at the same time enjoying a great day of fun and fellowship. We hope to have more than 100 golfers in attendance, so sign up early to reserve your spot.

More information about our Rocky Mount golf tournament (October 14th) will be in upcoming news and event e-mails and on our website!

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JOIN US FOR
FAMILY NIGHT WITH THE
C H A R L O T T E
KNIGHTS
BB&T BALLPARK, UPTOWN



**MORE INFO & REGISTRATION
AT WWW.CHRIStIANADOPT.ORG**

We are excited to share with you about our summer family night event coming up in August in uptown Charlotte. The Charlotte Knights will be taking on the Gwinnett Braves at 7:05 p.m. on Tuesday, August 16th. This will be a special night for Christian Adoption Services as we will be the Community Corner Spotlight of the evening. The Knights will allow us to have a table in the concourse about our ministry. A one-minute video about CAS will be shown on the big screen before the game along with an interview on field with our president, Kevin Qualls.

The Knights have blocked off our own group section down the third base line for all CAS families and friends. Tickets are only \$17.00, which includes \$2.00 of pre-loaded concession credit on each ticket. Children under 3 years old are admitted free. Click here to purchase your tickets online at christianadopt.org. If you have seating requests to sit with other families, please let us know so we can try to accommodate. The deadline to order online will be July 14th. Tickets can be picked up at the office after July 20 or can be mailed to your home if you like.

This is going to be a great night for CAS and we hope you will be there for all of the fun and recognition of our ministry. If you have any questions about this event, please visit our website or call the office.

International Training Class

Saturday, July 30, 2016

9:30-11:30 am

CAS office Matthews, NC



This free training will focus on parenting internationally adopted children who are dealing with the effects of grief, loss, abuse, trauma and institutionalization. The training will focus on common behaviors and how to build trust and attachment with these children over time. We will provide practical tools to work through the difficult times that may arise after placement. We will also hear from an adoptive mother as she shares her family's real life experiences as they have journeyed through several adoptions.

Class is open to families who are in process of adopting or who have adopted internationally. Training certificates will be provided upon completion of class. You won't want to miss this relevant and practical training! **Registration is available through our website, www.christianadopt.org.**

1st China Partnership Program Placement!

CAS is excited to announce that our first family in the China Partnership Program is home with their daughter!

In February 2015, Brian and Alisha Lloyd attended CAS' Fund Your Adoption seminar and heard about the agency's new China Partnership Program with Small World Adoption. After much prayer and discussion, Brian and Alisha completed their application on April 8, 2015. The couple worked diligently to submit all required documentation and training for their home study, which was completed by August 19, 2015. The Lloyd family who already have four biological children, had their dossier authenticated and logged in at China by November 5, 2015. On December 3, 2015, Brian and Alisha received a referral from China's Special Needs list and were matched with their sweet 2 year old daughter Brighton the next day. Just three months later, on March 24th Brian and Alisha arrived home with Brighton. In less than a year from application, the Lloyd's were home and abundantly blessed.



The Lloyds and Brighton are adjusting extremely well and Alisha contributes much credit to the wonderful orphanage, Shepherd's Field Children's Village, for care and efforts they put forth to prepare their daughter for her adoption. Alisha is very gracious to offer her time to communicate with families who are considering an adoption from China with our partnership program. It is with great joy that staff at CAS welcome the Lloyds' home.

If you would like to know more about our China Partnership Program, please contact Laura at laura@christianadopt.org or 704-847-0038.

We are thankful for the continued dedication of the Tar River Piece Makers Quilting Guild of Rocky Mount!

Christian Adoption Services continues to be grateful for the beautiful quilts with matching squares given to the birth mothers we serve and their babies. As is known, birth mothers make a selfless sacrifice and place their child's needs above their own heart. Though they leave the hospital without their child, they are able to leave with a quilt square that matches the quilt that their child and adoptive family leaves with. This kind gesture brings such joy.

Several of the ladies in this quilting guild faithfully meet every Friday at Dunkin' Donuts in Rocky Mount to hand craft these beautiful quilts.



We are so thankful for their continued donation to Christian Adoption Services!



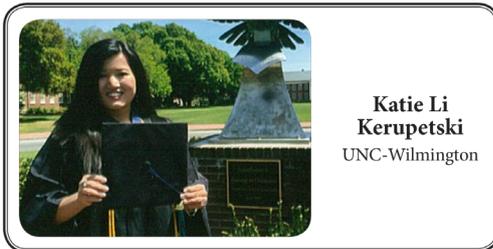
Thank you to all who joined us at our CAS Family Day Picnic! It was a beautiful Saturday with over 200 attendees, and we had a great time of fellowship, delicious NC BBQ and lots of family fun at Dan Nicholas Park!

Congratulations Graduates!

Congratulations to the 2016 graduates who were placed through CAS! We are so proud of you and your accomplishments, and pray God's blessings on you in the next chapter of your life!



Julie Elaine Beeker
Northern HS



Katie Li Kerupetski
UNC-Wilmington



Austin Daniel Call
Woodford County HS



Donna Wesslen
Ardrey Kell HS

ALSO...Congratulations to our former interns!



Sharon Han
Masters in Social Work
UNCC

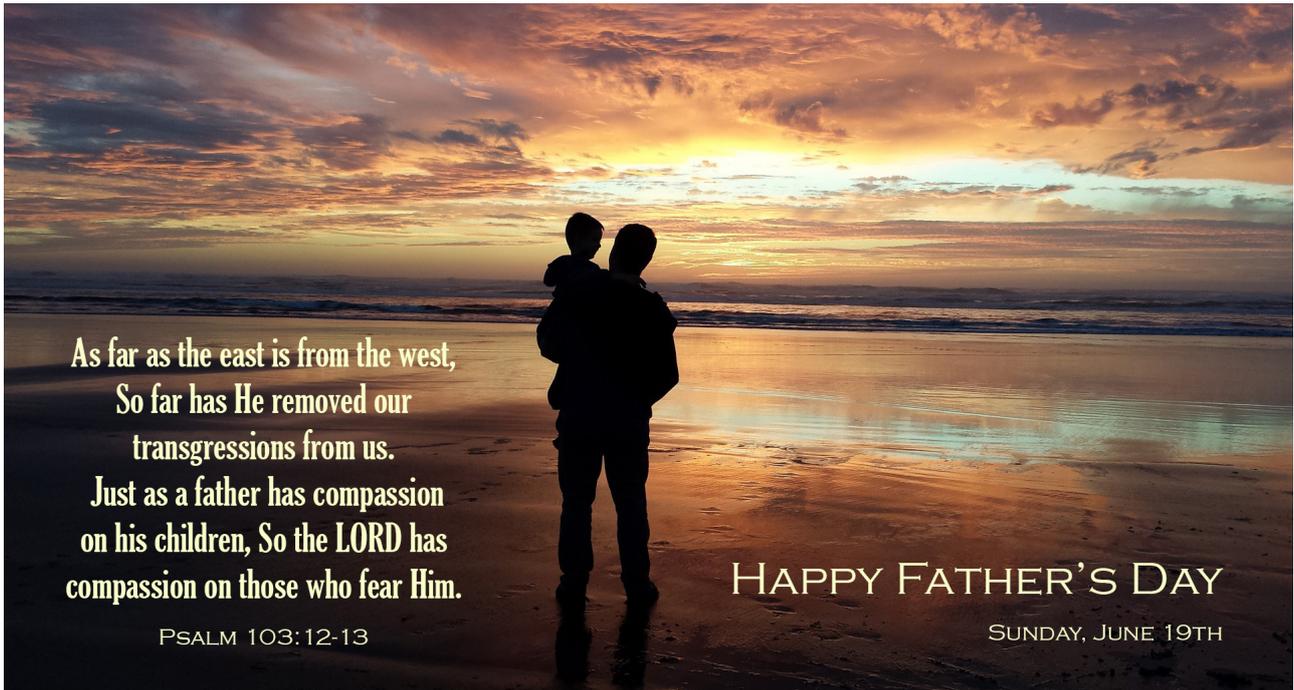
Sharon interned in our International Program from spring 2015-spring 2016!



Makayla Rutledge
Ardrey Kell HS

Makayla interned last fall for several weeks in our International Program!

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As far as the east is from the west,
So far has He removed our
transgressions from us.

Just as a father has compassion
on his children, So the LORD has
compassion on those who fear Him.

PSALM 103:12-13

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

SUNDAY, JUNE 19TH



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