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GIVE FINANCIALLY

Adoption reflects the very heart of the gospel. Just as we have been adopted into God's family through Christ, Christian families are welcoming children into homes filled with love, stability, and faith. Your generosity can help make that possible.

ENSURE that more Tennessee Baptist families are able to bring children home.

PRAY for more Christian couples to surrender to God's calling for them to adopt.

Scan here to give directly to **Amy Hood Adoption Endowment.**

Scan here to learn more about the fund or ways you can invest, contact **John Swafford**, Mission Stewardship Director, at **jswafford@tnbaptist.org.**

Until every child has a loving Christian home.

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AMY HOOD ADOPTION ENDOWMENT

opening hearts, *building families*



TBMB Tennessee Baptist MISSION BOARD

OVERVIEW

The fund honors a legacy of faith and was created in memory of Amy Hood, wife of Pat Hood, pastor of LifePoint Church in Smyrna, TN. Amy and Pat shared a deep commitment to adoption and believed the church should actively care for vulnerable children.

Following Amy's sudden passing, this endowment was created to honor her legacy by helping families welcome children into loving homes. Through this fund, Amy's heart for adoption continues to impact families across Tennessee.

THE VISION

The Amy Hood Adoption Endowment Fund, established through Tennessee Baptist Mission Board (TBMB), helps remove financial barriers by providing adoption assistance grants to Tennessee Baptist families.

Part of the vision of TBMB is that "Every child has a home and gospel foundation." An advisory body created by the TBMB Board of Directors reviews applications quarterly before grants are awarded to qualifying families pursuing adoption.

The first grant was awarded in November 2023, marking the beginning of a growing ministry that helps families say "yes" to adoption. As of summer 2026, eight families have been approved to receive $5,000 per child to assist in their adoption process.





THE OPPORTUNITY

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- Across the world and within our communities, thousands of children are waiting for permanent families. Many Christian couples feel called to adopt but face significant financial barriers.
- Adoption costs often range from $25,000 to $60,000, making it difficult for many families to pursue this calling.
- The long-term goal is to grow the endowment to $1 million, creating a sustainable resource that will support adoptive families for generations.

THE IMPACT

Assist 8-10 children find their way into permanent, loving Christian homes

Contribute toward the $1 million goal to significantly increase the fund's ability to provide ongoing adoption assistance

Encourage qualifying couples in their adoption journey

"The Amy Hood Adoption Endowment has been a huge blessing to our family. While we are still in the season of waiting to be matched, this gift that we have received has helped us be able to be presented to more cases and have enough money to adopt. We love knowing that we have supporters of our adoption journey in this season of waiting who are praying for us and cheering us on."

– Meghan G

"Adopting our son would not have been possible without the generous people who have supported us. The Amy Hood Adoption Endowment helped tremendously! The generosity of God's people is helping us to live out our purpose. When you give to the fund, you know 100% of that gift is going to make a huge impact – not only to the adoptive parents, but also to the birth mothers. A portion of the adoption costs help the birth mothers who are making the difficult decision to place their child in an adoptive home. We are forever grateful for the Amy Hood Adoption Endowment and it's an honor to be a recipient of a grant. My prayer is that Amy's legacy will go through several generations as it continues to help families and birth mothers who need the support."

– Gilbert O