



A D O P T I O N S N E W S L E T T E R

MLJ Adoptions, Inc. wishes you a very HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We are thankful to have had a wonderfully successful 2009. In 2009 we received Hague Approval, added a new country program, and brought many orphaned children home to their forever families. Thank you to our adoptive families and prospective adoptive families, who have contributed to this success. We are excited about the many possibilities in 2010!

COUNTRY UPDATES

Ukraine

Congratulations to all of our recently returning families! For those families in Ukraine or preparing to travel soon, there may be some slight delays in processing, as the area has seen record snows.

Our Eastern Europe Program Director, Lydia Tarr has now assisted in bringing home OVER 100 children to their forever families over the past three years. Congratulations Lydia, your selfless efforts are truly appreciated!

Families are needed to host The Fatherless Foundation's next group of children who will be visiting in the month of June. We are currently accepting hosting applications.

If you are interested in hosting or adopting a child from Ukraine, please contact, Lydia@mljadoptions.com.

Nicaragua

The Fatherless Foundation is facilitating a new hosting program from Nicaragua. Families are needed to host children during the month of July. Please contact valerie@mljadoptions.com if you are interested.

Honduras

Contact Mark@mljadoptions.com, if you are interested in adopting a child from Honduras or hosting a child from Central America.

Democratic Republic of Congo

All medical information provided to prospective adoptive parents is disseminated after referral in the Democratic Republic of Congo. In the event that the referred child is determined to have a medical issue, there is an opportunity for parents to receive a different referral.

A referred child's medical information is provided to prospective adoptive parents as soon as possible. However, there are no guarantees with respect to when the medical information is received or the accuracy of such information, due to limited resources in Congo.

Contact Sonja@mljadoptions.com, if you are interested in adopting from the Congo.

Other Countries

If you or someone you know is interested in adopting a child from a country where we do not have a current program, let us know, as there are several services that we can provide.

ADOPTION PREPARATION

Home Studies

We offer home study services for both domestic and international adoption. For information regarding home studies please contact Brooke@MLJAdoptions.com.

Adoption Education

The next adoption education course will be offered at MLJ on January 27 from 6-8 p.m. This session, entitled "Parenting an Adopted Child," is a mandatory course for adoptive parents. This course discusses the stages of child development as they affect the adopted child.

Please contact sonja@mljadoptions.com, or visit www.mljadoptions.com to RSVP.

READoption

Due to the recently implemented Hague Convention on Intercountry Adoption, all adoptions completed in foreign countries must be domesticated through the

legal process of readoption. This process should be started as soon as your child comes home.

Please contact sonja@mljadoptions.com for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Initial Adoption Seminar

MLJ is offering a Free Initial Adoption Seminar for those considering either international or domestic adoption on January 28, 2010 from 6-7:30 pm. The seminar will be conducted at MLJ Adoptions, Inc. located at 8910 Purdue Road, One College Park Road, Ste. 480, Indianapolis, Indiana 46268.

Please contact sonja@mljadoptions.com, or visit www.mljadoptions.com to RSVP

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