



# Crossroads of America Adoption Conference

Date: September 30 – October 1, 2011

## Friday, September 30

8:00 – 9:00am	Breakfast and Registration in Great Room. Vender Tables are open.		
9:00–9:30	Welcome Session “Adoption is Amazing” – Michele L. Jackson, J.D.		
	<b>Underground</b>	<b>Gallery 1</b>	<b>Gallery 2</b>
9:40–10:30	<b>Home Study Round Table</b> <i>Panel of Social Workers</i>	<b>Confidential Intermediary Training</b> Marion Superior Court	<b>Affording Adoption</b> <i>Camie Schuiteman, Adoptive Mother and Orphan Advocate</i>
10:40–11:55	<b>Social Media Marketing</b> <i>Erik Deckers, Social Media Consultant</i>	<b>Working Therapeutically with Adoptive Parents</b> <i>Brooke Randolph, LMHC</i>	<b>Managing Stress in Adoption</b> <i>Bill Frederick, LCSW and children’s book author</i>
12:00–1:00	Jason Kovacs, Director of Ministry Development for ABBA Fund & adoptive father. Session in Great Room, lunch is provided.		
1:20–2:10	<b>Legal Risks for the Adoption Professional</b> <i>Michele L. Jackson, J.D.</i>	<b>Orphan Ministry</b> <i>MaryAnn Randolph, M. Div.</i>	<b>Nutrition &amp; Adoption</b> <i>Bernardo Salazar, Biggest Loser Season 5 At-Home Winner</i>
2:20–3:10	<b>Networking and the Adoption Professional</b> <i>Hazel M. Walker, Strategist</i>	<b>Techniques to Strengthen Attachment</b> <i>Brooke Randolph, LMHC</i>	<b>Adoption From Samoa</b> <i>Samoa Victim Support Representative</i>
3:20–4:10	<b>Adoption in Indiana</b> <i>Marion County Court</i>	<b>Non-Profit Fundraising</b> <i>Fatima Johnson</i>	<b>Medicine and Adoption</b> <i>Dr. Michele Zormeier</i>
4:20–6:20	<b>Comparing and Contrasting Hague vs. Non-Hague Adoption</b> <i>U.S. State Department Representative</i>	<b>Emotional Communication and Children</b> <i>Dr. Sheila Kozler &amp; Kristin Kimberlin, LCSW</i>	<b>Foreign Attorneys and Adoption Service Provider Vender Tables – Open</b>

The Fatherless Foundation Dinner and Auction: 6:00 – 8:30 pm to raise funds for orphan care and adoption. Tickets are \$15.00 per person.

## Saturday, October 1

8:00 – 9:00am	Breakfast and Registration. Vender Tables are open.		
9:00 – 9:15	Welcome and Introduction to day’s sessions		
	<b>Underground</b>	<b>Gallery 1</b>	<b>Gallery 2</b>
9:20 – 10:20	<b>It’s not just about the Adoptive Parents!</b> <i>Panel of Adoption Triad</i>	<b>Adoption as a Single Parent</b> <i>Shalimar Scott, Adoptive Mother</i>	<b>Home Study 101 for Adoptive Parents</b> <i>Kathy Slaughter, LCSW</i>
10:30 – 11:50	<b>Special Needs &amp; Older Child Adoption</b> <i>Panel</i>	<b>Racism &amp; My Child</b> <i>Judy Miller, Author and Adoptive Mother</i>	<b>Adoption Risks Domestic and International</b> <i>Michele L. Jackson, J.D.</i>
12:00 – 1:00	Carolyn Twietmeyer, Founder and Director of Project HOPEFUL. Session in Great Room, lunch is provided.		
1:10 – 2:10	<b>Fathers in Adoption</b> <i>Panel of Adoptive Fathers</i>	<b>Adoption from Bulgaria</b> <i>VESTA, Bulgarian Agency</i>	<b>Adoption vs. Normal</b> <i>Judy Miller, Author and Adoptive Mother</i>
2:20 – 3:20	<b>Family &amp; Friends Session</b> <i>Panel</i>	<b>Balancing Profession and Family After Adoption</b> <i>Wayne DeVeydt, CFO WellPoint</i>	<b>Affording Adoption Resources</b> <i>Panel</i>
3:30 – 4:20	<b>Navigating School-based Services</b> <i>Teachers and Adoptive Mothers</i>	<b>HIV/AIDS &amp; Adoption</b> <i>Carolyn Twietmeyer, Founder &amp; Director of Project HOPEFUL</i>	<b>Sensory Issues</b> <i>Candice Thompson, OT</i>
4:30 – 6:30	<b>Afro-Caribbean Hair/Skin Care</b> <i>Uzuri Asad, b.Fly Consulting</i>	<b>Parenting &amp; Adoption Course</b> <i>Brooke Randolph, LMHC</i>	<b>Preparing Your Child’s Lifebook</b> <i>Elizabeth Nelson</i>

MLJ Adoptions, Inc.’s Annual Adoption Picnic on Sunday, October 2nd from 1:00 – 4:00 pm. Free and family friendly!

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