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Dear CF family,

The CF missions team invites you to Adopt a Missionary (also referred to as "M").

In this <u>short video</u> Ashley Khamisi, representing the MT, explains the 2021 Adopt a M initiative and why the team appeals to you to be "active" in praying, caring for, encouraging and communicating with those we "send out" from our church.

One of CF's core values is "ACTIVE IN MISSION". With Acts 1:8 and Matthew 28:19-20 as supporting verses CF believes that:

"God's mission is to save sinners through the telling of the Gospel. As a church we support God's mission globally and we aim to live on mission for Him locally."

This is a value that we pray all CF ministry partners and regular attendees will own – and in meaningful ways connect with and care for supported M's.

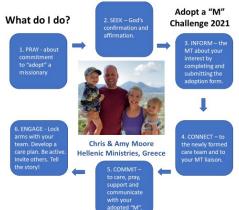
CF currently supports 18 M's, some in the United States and some in overseas locations. All of them value our prayer and relational engagement. Learn more about the M's on the CF webpage - <a href="mailto:commfell.org/missions">commfell.org/missions</a>. Due to security protocols, three are not listed on the website but are still available for adoption.

Adopting a M is open to all - individuals, couples, families and even small groups. We hope that each person or group that signs up to adopt will collaborate and engage with others, as together they provide any and all of these areas of care:

- ✓ Commit to pray.
- ✓ Commit to communicate.
  - o Emails, texts, letters, cards, zoom calls, furlough welcome, send off, visits
- ✓ Commit to encourage.
- ✓ Commit to share the story with others.
- ✓ Commit to help celebrate special occasions (b-days, holidays...).
- ✓ Commit to <u>support</u> in tangible ways.

Our initial goal is to mobilize at least six people or groups to form a care team for each of the 18 M's. That means we hope to receive at least 108 responses to this appeal. Together we can fulfill the 2021 Adopt a M Challenge.

And remember - you will get to know your M through the adoption process, so you don't need to know them before signing up to adopt.



This graphic describes your next steps to engagement:

- PRAY about adopting
- SEEK confirmation about who to adopt
- INFORM submit adoption request form
- CONNECT with new "care team"
- COMMIT to care, pray, encourage, communicate
- ENGAGE and CONTINUE...as the Lord enables

The updated care team lists will be on display each week on the CF lobby M-TV. By the end of March, we hope to report that each of the six open circles around each of the 18 M pictures has been filled with names of newly formed care teams. Take time today or this week to complete your <u>adoption request form</u>.

On behalf of the mission's team – THANK YOU for accepting this challenge!

Partnering Together,

Gordon Spahr & The Missions Team