



## FACT SHEET

Bethany Christian Services is a Christ-centered, not-for-profit, pro-life, adoption and orphan care agency that provides ministries in 18 countries for orphans and vulnerable children. With more than 80 locations in over 30 states, Bethany is the largest adoption agency in the country and placed 1,709 children nationwide in 2008.

In addition to adoption and orphan care services, Bethany provides pregnancy counseling, family counseling, foster care programs, and an infertility ministry. Bethany was founded in 1944 and is headquartered in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

### **Bethany by the Numbers**

Nationwide Statistics for 2008

In 2008, Bethany placed 1,694 children with their adoptive families:

#### **Domestic Infant Adoptions**

A total of 734 children

#### **Older Child Adoptions**

A total of 456 children

#### **Intercountry Adoptions**

A total of 504 children from 12 countries

#### **Embryo Services**

53 Home Studies for adoptive parents

#### **Nationwide Crisis Pregnancy Line, Lifeline**

3,319 calls were received from callers about unexpected pregnancies

67 people volunteered for Lifeline

#### **Pregnancy Counseling**

2,350 individuals were counseled

#### **Infertility Ministry**

8,300 Stepping Stones packets were sent to subscribers

#### **International Sponsorship**

1,004 individuals/families sponsored children

#### **Volunteers**

780 volunteers gave 37,178 hours of service



## BETHANY CHRISTIAN SERVICES OF ROCHESTER

### Since 2006:

We have served more than 25 expectant women who were counseled or educated about adoption. Eleven (11) made adoption plans and placed their children with adoptive families.



We have conducted many Home Studies for Bethany's Domestic, International, and Embryo Adoption programs. Seventeen (17) families have completed their adoptions.



We have reached out to 19 hospitals, 12 pregnancy resource centers, 5 area colleges, and several churches and youth organizations, with which we have ongoing contact. We have also participated in various conferences and community events and provided ongoing training to local pregnancy resource centers about the option of adoption.



Bethany Christian Services of Rochester services 17 counties in upstate New York.