



Orphan Ministry

For individuals seeking to weave together a tapestry of love to comfort the fatherless

Vision Statement:

The Orphan Ministry is dedicated to promoting an awareness of God's heart for the orphan and discovering God's calling for His people to be a part of accomplishing His purposes for the care of orphans.

Defend the cause of the weak and fatherless...
Psalm 81:13

Mission Statement:

The mission of the Orphan Ministry is to provide avenues for Christians to care for orphans locally, nationally, and internationally.

Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.
James 1:27

"My Father is always at His work to this very day, and I too, am working. I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does. For the Father loves the Son and shows him all he does. Yes, to your amazement he will show him even greater things than these."
John 5:17, 19-20

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There is one more area that we feel that Kaleidoscope is called to highlight. It is the orphan himself.

God hears the cry of our heart to welcome a child into our home and feels the ache in our arms to hold that child. He also hears the cry of the child that is longing to be a part of a family.

There are many groups close to God's heart, but we should note that three are mentioned over and over. They are the orphans, widows, and strangers. Scripture mentions caring for these individuals more than 60 times.

Kaleidoscope offers a third avenue of support and it is for the orphan himself. Orphans can be found in your city, in your country, and across the world. Our job is to recognize clearly where God is working, adjust our lives to join Him where He is working, and accept the invitation to be a part of God's purposes. The Orphan Ministry is the newest segment of Kaleidoscope and we are currently prayerfully considering areas of service.

We have included a brochure from Hope for Orphans that offers ways to become involved in caring for the orphan and waiting child. The brochure is located in the back pocket of the notebook.

If you are interested in being a part of the TBC Orphan Ministry, please contact Christie Chance at 286-0764 or by email at jcchance1@cox.net.

For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Ephesians 2:10

Orphan Care in Scripture

Defend the cause of the weak and fatherless....

Psalm 81:13

*Learn to do good;
Seek justice,
Reprove the ruthless,
Defend the orphan,
Plead for the widow.*

Isaiah 1:17

Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress....

James 1:27

The Levite, because he has no portion or inheritance among you, and the alien, the orphan and the widow who are in your town, shall come and eat and be satisfied, in order that the Lord your God may bless you in all the work of your hand which you do.

Deuteronomy 14:29

When you beat your olive tree, you shall not go over the boughs again; it shall be for the alien, for the orphan, and for the widow.

Deuteronomy 24:20

...I rescued the poor who cried for help, and the fatherless who had none to assist him.

Job 29:12

....defending the fatherless and the oppressed, in order that man, who is of the earth, may terrify no more.

Psalm 10:18

You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus....

Galatians 3:26

*He executes justice for the orphan and the widow,
And shows His love for the alien by giving him food
And clothing.*

Deuteronomy 10:18

I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.

John 14:18

*And if you give yourself to the hungry
And satisfy the desire of the afflicted,
Then your light will rise in darkness
And your gloom will become like midday.
And the Lord will continually guide you,
And satisfy your desire in scorched places,
And give strength to your bones;
And you will be like a watered garden,
And like a spring of water whose waters do not fail.*

Isaiah 58:10-11

“Merry Christmas”

by Third Day

There's a little girl trembling on a cold December morn
Crying for momma's arms
At an orphanage just outside a little China town
Where the forgotten are

But half a world away I hang the stockings by the fire
And dream about the day when I can finally call you mine

It's Christmas time again but you're not home
Your family is here and yet you're somewhere else alone
So tonight I pray that God will come and hold you in His arms
And tell you from my heart
I wish you Merry Christmas

As I hang the tinsel on the tree and watch the twinkling lights
I'm warmed by the fire's glow
Outside the children tumble in a wonderland of white
And make angels in the snow

But half a world away you try your best to fight the tears
And hope that heaven's angels come to carry you here

It's Christmas time again but you're not home
Your family is here and yet you're somewhere else alone
So tonight I pray that God will come and hold you in His arms
And tell you from my heart
I wish you Merry Christmas

Christmas is a time to celebrate the Holy Child
And we celebrate His perfect gift of love
He came to earth to give His life and prepare a place for us
So we could have a home with Him above

It's Christmas time again and now you're home
Your family is here so you will never be alone
So tonight before you go to sleep, I'll hold you in my arms
And I'll tell you from my heart
I'll tell you from my heart
I wish you Merry Christmas