



"Making the Commitment to Adoption"

**Spaulding/In-service Training
Nebraska Foster & Adoptive Parent Association**

**First United Methodist Church
4500 Linden Dr.
Kearney, NE**

**Friday, November 4, 2011--6:00-10:00 p.m.
Saturday, November 5, 2011--8:00-5:00 p.m.**

12 hours of in-service training

Instructors: Lynne Wiedel & Robbi Blume

---Registration is Required---

The Spaulding program is offered to prospective adoptive families. Spaulding training offers families the tools and information that they need to:

- Explain how adoptive families are different
- Importance of separation, loss, and grief in adoption
- Understand attachment and its importance in adoption
- Anticipate challenges and be able to identify strategies for managing challenges as an adoptive family
- Explore the lifelong commitment to a child that adoption brings

Nov 4, 2011

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1) Exploring Expectations—Defining adoption, the process, and the key players. Participant's hopes and fears about the adoption process are recognized and empowerment strategies are identified to assist them in the process. Participant's explore their fantasies about children they might adopt to become aware of the possible influence on their decision about adoption.

2) Meeting the Needs of Waiting Children—Assist prospective adoptive parents in focusing on the needs of children awaiting adoption. Explore the issues of separation, loss, grief and attachment. Plus the unique issues related to parenting a child who has been sexually abused.

Nov 5, 2011

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

(1 hour break for lunch)

3) Exploring Adoption Issues—Identify supports within their family and introduce them to common issues that all adoptive families face. Help develop strategies for dealing with these issues; explore crisis periods in adoption; explore their own strengths, needs and challenges as they consider adoption.

4) Making the Commitment—Assist prospective adoptive parents in considering resources they may need, what they need to know, what they need to do, and what they need to explore about themselves as they consider adopting a particular child or children.

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Support Group & In-service training
Kearney: November 3, 2011 6:30-8:00 p.m.
at First United Methodist Church
Internet Safety and Face Book Ethics
Grand Island: November 17, 2011 6:30-8:00 p.m.
at Mid Plains. Dessert & Conversation
Kearney: December 1, 2011 6:30-8:00 p.m.
at First United Methodist Church
Pot Luck & Christmas Bingo Party

KIDS KLOSET
The Kids Kloset is available to help meet your children's clothing needs. It is open Tuesdays from 4:00-8:00 p.m. and 10-3 p.m. on the 3rd Saturday of the month. 1814 West B Street, Hastings

**Spaulding-Making the Commitment to Adoption
Registration Form—Nov 4-5, 2011---Kearney**

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

This training is worth 12 hours of in-service training. Please register no later than Oct 30, 2011.

Mail your registration to:

Or email your registration to:

Or call with questions:

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