

TALKING POINTS FOR VKB VIDEO INTRO



2020 HAS BEEN A HARD YEAR.

WE'VE ALL EXPERIENCED GRIEF, A LOSS OF CONTROL, & SUDDEN CHANGES IN OUR LIVES.

THE WORLD CAN BE A DARK PLACE AND YET, AS FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST, WE ARE CALLED TO SHINE OUR LIGHT.

KIDS IN FOSTER CARE NEED LIGHT. AND THEY ARE RIGHT HERE IN OUR COMMUNITY. IT'S OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO DO EVERYTHING IN OUR POWER TO ENSURE THEY CAN GROW UP AS HEALTHY AS POSSIBLE.

RIGHT NOW, VIRGINIA IS 47TH OUT OF 50 STATES IN PERMANENCY MEANING TOO MANY KIDS TURN 18 AND EXIT FOSTER CARE WITHOUT ADOPTIVE FAMILIES.

WITHIN 2 YEARS, 89% OF THOSE KIDS WHO "AGE OUT" OF FOSTER CARE ARE INCARCERATED, ADDICTED, HOMELESS OR PREGNANT.

MANY FOLKS DON'T KNOW THAT ALMOST 700 KIDS ARE AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION IN VIRGINIA RIGHT NOW.

WE'VE DECIDED AS A CHURCH FAMILY TO SHINE A LIGHT ON THESE KIDS THIS MONTH AS PART OF NATIONAL ADOPTION MONTH.

WE WOULD ESPECIALLY ENCOURAGE THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE EMPTY NESTERS OR SINGLES TO CONSIDER WHAT ROLE YOU MIGHT PLAY IN THE LIVES OF THESE KIDS.

NOT EVERYONE IS CALLED TO FOSTER OR ADOPT BUT EVERYONE IS CALLED TO CARE.

PLEASE TAKE A LOOK!