

Christian Family Services

Autobiography

Description of Self

Full name: _____ Name preferred to be called: _____

Height: _____ Weight: _____ Complexion: _____

Eye color: _____ Hair color: _____

Ethnic Ancestry: _____

Describe your personality (outgoing, shy, organized, determined, etc.): _____

How do you spend your leisure time (hobbies and other interests)? _____

What are your greatest strengths? _____

What are your greatest weaknesses? _____

What is your greatest desire right now? _____

Education

Provide information on your education, listing name and location of school, course of study, semesters completed, date of graduation, and degree received.

Employment History

Place of employment: _____

Type of work: _____

Length of time at
Present employment _____

Positions held in the last five years:

What do you like and dislike about your job? What are your future career goals? _____

Family Information and Childhood

Name of father: _____ Age: _____

Occupation: _____

Description of personality: _____

Name of mother: _____ Age: _____

Occupation: _____

Description of personality: _____

Describe your parents' relationship during your childhood, and now: _____

Describe your relationship with your parents. Are they supportive of your plans to adopt?

If you have a stepparent(s), describe your relationship: _____

Who administered discipline in your family? _____

What was the usual form of discipline? _____

Did your parents agree on the method of discipline administered? _____

How do you plan to discipline your children? _____

Describe the responsibilities you had as a child. How did you feel about them?

Describe each of your brothers and sisters. Who was most like you and in what ways? Who was the most different from you and in what ways? Who argued the most and why? Who took care of whom? Who are you closest to now? How often do you see them? Are they supportive of your decision to adopt? Include each sibling's name, age, spouse, children, health, employment status, and location. You may use the back of this page or another sheet to complete this section.

What were the most important values in your family? _____

Who was your best friend while you were growing up? Why you were close?

What were some of the happiest times in your life? _____

What were some of the saddest times in your life? _____

Courtship and Marriage

If you were married before, please provide the name of your former spouse, the dates of marriage and divorce, and the circumstances of the divorce. _____

How did you and your spouse meet, and how long did you date before you married?

What attracted you to your spouse? _____

What is your spouse's greatest strength? _____

What is your spouse's greatest weakness? _____

How are household duties divided? _____

Who handles the finances? _____

What do you most frequently disagree over? _____

How are disagreements resolved? _____

How are decisions made in your family? _____

What do you like to do as a couple? _____

Describe your relationship with your in-laws: _____

Children

Name: _____ DOB: _____

School grade: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____

Complexion: _____ Eye color: _____ Hair color: _____

Description of personality: _____

List other children on the back of this page, or on another sheet.

If no children describe any previous parenting experience: _____

Community and Home

Type of construction: _____ Square feet: _____ Lot size: _____

Number of bedrooms: _____ Number of baths: _____

Other rooms in the house: _____

Population of city: _____ Major source of employment: _____

What schools will your child attend? _____

Where is the nearest hospital? _____

Describe any pets you have. _____

Coping Abilities

Describe a particular crisis either in your childhood or during your marriage. What effect did it have on you? How did you deal with this crisis?

Motivation to Adopt

Why do you want to be a parent? _____

What is your motivation to consider adoption? _____

What do you consider to be “good” about adoption? _____

What do you consider to be “bad” about adoption? _____

How do you plan to tell your child about adoption? _____

Adoption Matters

What are your childcare plans for a child placed with you? _____

Do you have a will? _____

In the event of your untimely deaths, whom have you asked to be your child’s guardian?
How do they feel about this responsibility?

Please provide any further information you feel would be helpful for us to know about
you and your family.
