



Korea Network Adoption Program Overview

All Blessings International, Inc., proudly partners with a very experienced and long-established child-placing entity functioning in the US. ABI, Inc. works closely with Kentucky & Missouri families providing homestudy services and additional regular correspondence as they adopt from Korea. This program is currently progressing at a very efficient and satisfying schedule. Please contact ABI, Inc. for more information about this exciting program.

Children Available: Both infant girls and boys are available for adoption from Korea, but males are more prevalent. Applicants cannot request the gender of their child unless a majority of children of one gender reside in the home and the family requests the opposite sex. Contact ABI, Inc. for details.



General Adoptive Parent Requirements: To be eligible to adopt from Korea, parents should be between 25 and 44 years of age and should be married for at least three years. Previous divorces are accepted, but more than one divorce per spouse is evaluated on a case-by-case basis. Parents can have no more than 4 children already living in the home. You must have no major health issues and a body mass index of less than 30. Families must also be able to show significantly more assets than debt (specifically no credit card debt) and a cash reserve of at least \$25,000 to \$30,000.

Adoption Process– The adoption process from South Korea can appear overwhelming initially. However, it is a step-by-step process and ABI will guide you. The first step in adopting from Korea is to have a **Home study** conducted by an agency licensed in your state of residence. The second step, is to file your Immigration and Naturalization Paperwork: the **I-600A**. The next step is , **Gathering the required Documentation**. Korea does not require that adopting families submit a dossier, although Korea does request specific documentation be included with their adoption application. Please contact ABI, Inc. for help with this process. Documents are not limited to Original birth and marriage certificates and divorce decree(s), if applicable, Medical report, Employment letter, Family photographs – 2 sets, Current criminal clearance

Referral. The current wait time for a child from Korea after a family is paper-ready is between one and six months (referrals of infant girls sometimes take longer), and adoptive parents can expect to travel approximately four to six months later. Referral information includes as much detail as we receive from our overseas counterparts, including photographs with medical and social history. Updated information after acceptance of referral is occasionally available.

Travel. According to information received on Nov. 4, 2009, at least one parent will need to travel to Seoul, South Korea to bring the child home. Escorts with this program are not currently permitted.

Post-Adoption. ABI, Inc. will conduct post placements evaluations in the months following your child's arrival. A report describing the child's health and adjustment is then written and submitted to Korea at one, three, and six months after placement. Our partner agency will hold legal guardianship of the child until they have received and reviewed the six-month post placement report. At that time, they will issue the child's Consent to Adopt, and families will be ready to finalize their child's adoption in a local court.



