



October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Dear Families,

Acres of Hope is excited to announce the merger of our Adoption Services with All Blessings International. All Blessings is a Hague accredited adoption agency licensed in Missouri and Kentucky. Acres of Hope has just been re-accredited by the Liberian government as one of the three agencies licensed to perform adoptions in Liberia.

All Blessings International's trained staff will take over all adoption case management for adoptive families who are interested in African adoptions including dossier preparation assistance, family preparation and training, and US Immigrations. Acres of Hope's Africa-based staff will continue to provide counseling and permanency alternatives for Liberian and Congo birth families, adoption services and processing for children where international adoption is in the child's best interests, and humanitarian aid to benefit the African people. Together we will provide the best possible support and preparation for adoptive families, and even more importantly for the children we exist to serve.

As of October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010, the Liberian government formally announced the lifting of the moratorium on adoptions for special needs children and those with medical issues. We are actively seeking families for such children right now. These needs range from serious developmental and or physical disabilities to milder issues such as cleft palate or limb differences. If you have room in your heart and home for a special needs Liberian child, please contact program director Diana Boni at 605-301-4690, or email her at: [diana@allblessings.org](mailto:diana@allblessings.org) to start the process. We look forward to a full lifting of the moratorium in the near future.

While our Congo program is relatively new, we are looking forward to working for the children in Democratic Republic of Congo and expanding our services there. Please contact Diana Boni for the Africa program. Together All Blessings International and Acres of Hope will continue to advocate in the best interest of the children. A child is waiting...

Blessings,

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