

Session 6 Breakouts

Adoptee Panel

The panel will include a diverse group of adult adoptees and is sure to be insightful and encouraging.

Who Is That Crazy Lady!

Mothers of wounded children....do you ever feel like you are from another planet, like the things you are dealing with make others look at you like you are crazy? Do you ever wonder how in the world you can maintain your sanity while parenting this hurting child who is wreaking havoc in your home? Here's your chance to learn from someone who has been in the trenches and is still learning through trial and error how to take care of yourself while you parent in a difficult situation.



Breakout Leaders: Lynn & Jennie Owens

The Homestudy Process

Homestudies and the different processes as they relate to Hague and Non-Hague Convention Countries. The changes in the Immigration process since implementation of the Hague Convention. What are the requirements for a home study, and what purpose does it serve? How to select a home study provider that meets the new requirements.



Breakout Leader: Marilyn Weaver

Myths & Misconceptions

Why didn't anyone ever tell me ____? It can be shocking when our preconceived notions of the adoption experience differ so greatly from actual reality. Many of the difficulties of adoption are much more easily handled if you are just prepared for and/or expect them to occur. Come and learn about some of the common areas that might not quite live up to our expectations; yet, discover that adoption surpasses our greatest dreams in surprising ways.



Breakout Leader: Jana Sheehan

Orphan Care – Leading a short term Mission Trip

One way to care for orphans in their distress is by taking short term mission teams to meet their needs. Hear about Short Term Missions from start to finish and what it might look like for you.



Breakout Leader: Steve Allen

New Life Adoptions

New Life Adoptions is a licensed, “no fee” Christian adoption agency. Our mission is to find homes for Washington’s orphan children in our area and assist families in need of the financial means to adopt.

Our Mission Statement: To place infants and children regardless of ethnicity, age or special needs into loving Christian adoptive homes, and to remove barriers to adoption - *financial, perceptual/and practical*. The majority of children we are seeking to place are the orphans of Washington State; local infants and children currently in the custody of the State of Washington foster care system.



Breakout Leader: Mike Magnotti

If You Were Mine – DVD Series

Session 6- Finalizing Your Adoption and Final Thoughts



Breakout Leader: Trevor Macduff