

April 2015

Safe Families *for* Children

Monthly Newsletter



Events: SFFC Faith Forum

When: April, 30th at 5:30 p.m.

Where: New Community Church, 1220 South Davis Road

Who's invited? Pastors, Ministry Leaders, and Church Members

**** Please RSVP by email to cgibson@twincedar.org ****

Help Implement SFFC in our Community

Safe Families for Children (SFFC) is a Christian safety net, for families experiencing crisis, by implementing Biblical hospitality. SFFC Host Family Volunteers are trained, screened, and approved similar to how state foster homes are screened and approved; however, they serve as a temporary Christian refuge for children and an extended family-like support to their parents. SFFC is an effective alternative that helps prevent the need for state child welfare, by strengthening families early on, before deprivation reaches the level for state intervention. Participating

parents maintain full custody while they work on their goals, as their children stay with a loving family. This service is of no-charge to the parents, and volunteers are motivated by their compassion and faith in Christ. SFFC is fast becoming a national movement of the Church, that is caring for children in need and sharing the love of Christ with their family.

SFFC is truly a ministry of the Church; but to implement SFFC in our community, we need churches to take on SFFC as a ministry of their church.

How can Churches Partner with SFFC?

- Become a SFFC Church
- Recruit Host Families
- Recruit Family Friends
- Pray for SFFC & other SFFC Church ministries
- Attend our next SFFC Faith Forum on April 30th
- Donate time, talent, and resources as God leads

SFFC Churches ministers God's love to families in need. Please help us implement SFFC in our community by contacting us today.

Church & Community Partners:

- New Community Church
- Franklin Road Baptist
- City Light Church
- The Good Seed Bookstore
- Troup Co. Baptist Assoc.
- Troup Co. Interagency
- Troup Co. DFCS
- Troup Transformation
- Troup Co. Sheriff's Dept.

For More Information:

To become a SFFC Volunteer or to refer a family to SFFC, please contact:

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Volunteers motivated my their faith...

"Ministering God's love to families in need"

Examples of SFFC Needs:

A single mom expecting her third child, in need of host home for 6 y/o boy and 2 y/o girl while in the hospital.

Overwhelmed and struggling couple needs placement for 2 y/o and 7 y/o girls for one week while they move due to loss of job.

A grandmother is searching for placement for a 6 y/o girl for three weeks, while she is admitted to the hospital for surgery and for recovery afterwards.

Dad seeking placement for his 2 y/o boy and 3 y/o girls for six weeks while he attends rehab for alcohol abuse.

When a crisis strikes, many of us rely on relatives and friends for support, but for many families, this is not an option. There are a variety of reasons why struggling parents need respite. Please consider partnering with SFFC and become His hands and feet to those in need.