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Focus Children: October 2011



Before talking about this month's Focus Children, I want to give a brief update on the children that were featured last month. Sadly, no one inquired about "N", and so she continues to wait for her forever family. Similarly, William remains on our Waiting Children page with no one having expressed interest in adopting him. We have, however, received a couple of inquiries about Boudelais and Loutiana, the siblings from Haiti, and we are hopeful that it won't be long until they are adopted. Please continue to pray for all of them.

In Christ,
Greg

[Gradie](#) - *Democratic Republic of Congo*

Gradie—a twelve-year-old girl from the Democratic Republic of the Congo—is a new addition to our website. She is in a wheelchair, and although we don't have much specific information about her condition, her picture clearly shows that she has leg deformities. The DRC is one of the relatively few African countries that has opened its doors to international adoption, and Gradie is the first child from that country that we've been privileged to advocate for. In their attempts to find her forever family, Gradie's agency is working to reduce their fees as much as possible.



[Heath](#) - *East Asia*

Heath is a thirteen-year-old boy who will become unavailable for adoption when he turns fourteen in December. He is described as being somewhat shy, but he gets along with others and has a close relationship with his foster parents. Math is Heath's favorite subject in school, and he receives good marks overall in fourth grade. There is a grant of up to \$5,000 available for his adoption, so please consider prayerfully whether you might be the right family for this young man whose chance to be adopted is about to slip away.

[Veronica and Samira](#) - *Eastern Europe*

We have had several inquiries about these girls since they arrived on our website in June, but as of yet no one has committed to adopt them. They are biological sisters who are healthy, have no history of any discipline problems, and are kind, social, good students. Veronica and Samira must be adopted together.



Veronica



Samira

[Little Girl with Down Syndrome \(TSC_1419\)](#) - *Latin America*

We don't have any more information about this little girl who will turn two in November, but her story reminds me of my own daughter, who has Down Syndrome and turned two in August. My wife Kristie and I adopted her from Ukraine last summer, and she has brought lots of joy and laughter to our home. It has been an enormous blessing to adopt her at such a young age (she was eleven months old when we arrived home with her), and I would love for this girl in Latin America to be given a similar chance. Children with Down Syndrome face numerous challenges—both mental and physical—and the sooner they receive the help that they need, the sooner their frustrations can be relieved. That might seem like an obvious thing to say, but the truth of that statement has stood out to us several times over this past year.

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