

# MIDDLE TENNESSEE *orphan* ALLIANCE

## Church-Based Ministry Membership

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### Membership and Participation

The Middle Tennessee Orphan Alliance (MTOA) welcomes all Christian denominations, adoption agencies and orphan ministries in the Middle Tennessee area to join us in working for the cause of orphaned, abandoned and at-risk children everywhere. We meet monthly to pray, encourage one another, share successes and discuss ideas.

Formal membership is not required to participate in MTOA monthly meetings, but provides many benefits, including but not limited to the following: group event exhibitor, community partner recommendation, website visibility.

### Membership Requirements

For church-based ministry partners, the following membership steps are required:

1. Thoroughly read and prayerfully consider the Middle Tennessee Orphan Alliance (MTOA) Church-Based Ministry Membership requirements included in this packet.
2. Complete and submit the MTOA Church-Based Ministry Membership Application.
3. Read, accept and sign the MTOA Statement of Faith.
4. Acknowledge and accept the vision, purpose and direction of MTOA by completing the MTOA Membership Agreement.
5. Have two (2) orphan-related events per year (examples include lunches, meetings, and fundraisers).
6. Submit forms to a MTOA Board Member for review.
7. For membership to remain active, attend three (3) MTOA meetings per year.

*Upon receipt of the above mentioned items, applicants will be considered provisional members until officially approved by the MTOA Board. Applicants will receive notification of acceptance by email.*

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## Church-Based Ministry Membership Application

### CHURCH INFORMATION

RENEWAL     NEW MEMBER

Name of Church:

Church Street Address:

City:

ZIP Code:

Phone:

Church Orphan Ministry Website:

### CONTACT PERSON

Name:

E-Mail:

Phone:

Additional Contact Information:

Relationship to Ministry:

### ORPHAN MINISTRY INFORMATION (IF APPLICABLE)

Name of Orphan Ministry:

Type of Orphan Ministry     International Adoption     Foster Care  
(check all that apply):     Domestic Foster / Adopt     International Orphan Care

Orphan Ministry's Mission Statement:

### MTOA INTERNAL USE ONLY

Date Approved:

Approved By:

Date Filed:

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## Statement of Faith

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- 1. We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative Word of God.*
- 2. We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*
- 3. We believe in the deity and humanity of Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, in His present rule as Head of the Church and in His personal return in power and glory.*
- 4. We believe that, for the salvation of lost and sinful man, repentance of sin and faith in Jesus Christ results in regeneration by the Holy Spirit and that Jesus Christ is the only way of salvation.*
- 5. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit, by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life.*
- 6. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ, with equality across racial, gender, and class differences.*

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Print Full Name

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Signature

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Name of Church / Organization (if applicable)

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Membership Category:  
(Church-based, Organization or Individual)

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Date Signed

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Date Approved

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## Membership Agreement

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### Vision

The Middle Tennessee Orphan Alliance (MTOA) is an alliance of Christian churches and community partners whose passionate mission is to share ideas and collaborate on activities to serve God's children through adoption, foster care, and international orphan care.

### Purpose & Direction

The Middle Tennessee Orphan Alliance (MTOA) was formed to bring together local adoption and orphan care ministries. The alliance seeks to provide opportunities for area ministries to share ideas and collaborate on activities to serve God's children through adoption, foster care and international orphan care. MTOA also welcomes new church ministries, equipping them with support and encouragement. Our mission is to bring glory to God by caring for His children.

Locally, we desire to bring awareness to all churches in the middle Tennessee area of the need for Christian families to care for and provide for every child within our reach. Globally, we desire to equip churches and ministries to help across the globe.

*The undersigned has read, affirms and agrees with all Middle Tennessee Orphan Alliance membership requirements as they pertain to the applicable membership category. The undersigned further agrees that he/she will maintain compliance with all such MTOA membership requirements as a condition for continued membership in the Alliance.*

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Print Full Name

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Signature

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