



Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes

Family Care Program



Supporting families with the love of Christ

TBCH is donor-supported and does not receive any government funding. This allows us to focus on a Christ-centered approach to Family Care, creating a network of counseling services, parenting training, and other ministries in communities across the state. **We hope to be a positive influence on families by connecting them with the resources they need.**



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In 1891 Mrs. Georgia Eastman and a committee of ladies began a Christian home for orphans in a former hotel in West Nashville. Since its beginnings, TBCH has grown and adapted to meet the needs of children across the state, many of whom have suffered a great deal of loss and the effects of a lifetime of trauma. Our Family Care Program now seeks to support the family for the sake of the child.

The goals of Family Care include:

- **Informing families** of the availability of counseling services that are trauma-informed and evidence-based, and available to families in rural areas.
- Providing **training for churches** who are serving children who come from hard places, helping them relate to these children and families in group or class settings. These training opportunities range from conferences to informal training led by qualified TBCH staff members.
- Providing resources for churches so they can help families with **wrap-around services**, such as forming teams within the church who can help meet basic needs like meals, transportation, or respite care.
- **Collaboration** with agencies who provide support services for foster and adoptive families, and other organizations who serve children indirectly. This includes sponsoring events that are consistent with our values and goals for children and families.
- **Promoting self-care**, not only for foster and adoptive families but for residential care workers as well. Emphasizing opportunities for self-care helps those who serve children with traumatic backgrounds deal with the challenges they face more effectively.

To find out how we can help you, your church or other organization better serve families and children across Tennessee, please take the first step by contacting us.

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