



Ohio Conference Report 2017
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We are truly blessed by the partnership with the Ohio Conference and the many churches who support us. This past year has presented many opportunities and challenges. In the beginning of the year the Adriel School board made the difficult decision to close our residential program. Our West Liberty campus now gives us an opportunity to expand our services and begin planning for an Adriel that will provide new programming for youth in high quality ways for years to come. We have a renewed focus on our Foster Care and Adoption and Family preservation programs and are expanding our reach to the Van Wert region opening a new office there in December. We are also expanding our clinical services to all of our regions serving our foster families with more counseling services. Our Foundation continues to grow in all regions and our Church family is the key to opening doors for us in their communities.

The Ohio Conference women's groups continue to be a blessing to our mission. They provide beautiful quilts and other items for our annual auction as well as the necessary items collected for our foster care regions such as sheet sets, towels and comforters. Our Northwest Ohio Adriel Auxiliary hosted their annual Ice Cream Social which was attended by many from Tedrow, Zion, Central, Lockport, Inlet, Pine Grove, and West Clinton Mennonite Churches. They are a constant support for our staff and our foster families.

As we look forward to FY 2018 Adriel will continue to serve children by emphasizing 1) the importance of the wonderful people and organizations that generously give so that the children we serve can experience a Christian homelike setting and 2) continued focus on our community relations in all regions to maximize the potential of our work. Terri McGarry retired in October and Paul Forrey took over the role as the Director of Development. Paul comes to us with a background as a pastor and has been connected with Adriel for several years in many ways including serving on our Community Advisory Board. Paul will be a great asset to our agency.

We are a people of faith and optimism. We will continue to enrich lives of children and families and strengthen our communities. Thank you for all you do for Adriel.