



4Points Family Services/4PointsKids

4Points Family Services (dba 4PointsKids) is a faith-based Christ-centered Texas Nonprofit Corporation (Formerly 4KIDS of Central Texas) recognized by the IRS as a 501(c)3 organization. 4Points is licensed by TEXAS HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION CHILD CARE LICENSING to operate as a Child Placing Agency, Foster Care and Adoption, License Number: 1712909 Agency Number: 14291. 4Points was birthed by International Family Services, an adoption agency that has placed 5000 children from 17 different countries in homes across the US.

While 4PointsKids works with foster families from like-minded faith backgrounds and churches in our community, 4Points has been honored to be recognized by Celebration Church of Georgetown as one of its five Legacy Ministries and has chosen to form an affiliate relationship with 4Points with a vision to gather large numbers of foster families and supporting advocates throughout Williamson County churches and Christ followers in Region 7, Austin to Waco and points East and West of I-35.

Meet Bob & Carol Mardock

As a young couple in college preparing for marriage, God planted a vision in the hearts of Bob and Carol Mardock to impact the lives of children and families. In 1991 the world was witnessing the political upheaval in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union. The Mardocks, who had served as youth pastors, schoolteachers, church planters and pastors, already had five children, on their way to ten, including an adopted daughter from Korea.

The Los Angeles Times heard about the Mardocks and their family's newest plan to adopt another child, this time from Romania. Their adoption story was published throughout the US and abroad and to Bob and Carol's surprise, families from around the nation asked if the Mardocks would help them adopt. (Download the free ebook [A Stormy Night In Bucharest, Angela's Story, how the Mardock's personal dreams of adoption changed the lives of thousands.](#))

In a giant leap of faith International Family Services was born. At first there were a handful of adoptions, but the vision grew, new God opportunities were seized upon, a lot of frequent flier miles were recorded, and by the early 2000s, IFS was completing over 350 adoptions every year and International Family Services became a recognized leader in the international adoption community. Key milestones include:

- Nearly 5000 adoptions from 17 countries.
- Agency status in nine states.
- Facilitating adoptions of nearly 1000 older children from Ukraine, Russia and Moldova, ages 5-15, through a unique older-child foster camp visitation program (40 camps in 20 cities across the country) – children traveling to the US for the 2-4 week adventure of a lifetime, living with foster/host families and meeting potential adoptive families.
- Participating in major capital projects, including the building of 3 orphanages and 3 medical clinics in Vietnam and India, and funding numerous specialty projects such as orphanage remodeling and supplying medical equipment and supplies throughout Russia. IFS has channeled over \$3,000,000 in humanitarian aid to the needs of orphaned and vulnerable children.

Through the years the Mardock's "open heart, open home" philosophy of family life would eventually lead them to adopt six children and welcome over a dozen foster kids into their expanding family.

God began to ignite a new and fresh vision for a significant Faith-Based foster-care initiative in Texas. In early 2018 IFS and Celebration Church leadership began to envision transplanting the DNA and success models of both organizations, and a new nonprofit organization was born that would become **4Points Family Services, aka 4PointsKids**.

To better understand how the Mardocks view their Biblical mandate to care for the vulnerable, they have enlisted the help of BibleProject.com. Click [HERE](#) to view the short video.

To schedule an interview with the Mardocks contact Bob Mardock, President of 4Points Family Services

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