

## **Fostering Love for Our Kids in Foster Care.**

### **Resource Family Recruiters Can Explain the Five Love Languages for Foster Children**

Five Love Languages for Foster Children is inspired by the work of Dr. Gary Chapman ([www.imom.com](http://www.imom.com)), and is a wonderful tool that can be applied to our efforts to recruit and elevate homes that are ready to love and meet the needs of Our Kids.

Resource Parent Recruiters give practical suggestions for the Pastors/Church members to apply the five love languages when working with children/youth in foster care; recruiters can:

**Communicate the Big Idea:** That we need loving homes for brokenhearted children in this community. Explain how the Church can model love using the five love languages.

**Communicate that we have love language preferences** for both expressing and receiving love. For instance, a person might prefer to express love using gift giving but prefer to receive love through words of affirmation.

**Communicate that the love languages are** not just for expressing love to and receiving love from other people, but also for exchanges of love between individuals and God (prayer), and offering scriptural background for love and examples of love in the Bible expressed through the five languages.

**Summarize and explain** what the five love languages.