

5th Annual Favorite Fathers Celebration

Favorite Fathers Celebration is a fatherhood promotion to encourage responsible fatherhood in 5 categories. This is a charity awareness builder to support the current programs of the Hope Center @ Grace in partnership with Aspera, Inc., and local chapters of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc, and partners. The promotion has five category winners and one of those five will be the grand prize winner.

We are currently seeking candidates for this year contest. This is not a live pageant, but a drive to recognize the fathering of normal everyday men while celebrating, uplifting and encouraging them for the work they do. Each participant will have a photo and write-up. However, we encourage and accept contributions toward the promotion of fatherhood within our communities. An anonymous committee will select the winner in each category. Parents, relatives, friends, coworkers, and neighbors are all encouraged to nominate a father.

Mail all correspondence to; The Hope Center @ Grace, Attn: Favorite Fathers Celebration, P.O. Box 9171, Memphis, TN 38190. Nominations can be emailed to Oliver@hc-grace.org. Proceeds will support "Hope Collaborative" our mid-south community collaborative addressing social disparities with emphasis to end domestic violence and promote responsible fatherhood.

The promotion will kickoff, February 21st until April 15th. The fathers will be awarded at the 2018 Favorite Father Celebration Breakfast at the Grace Church, 1378 North Hollywood, Memphis, TN 38108, on April 28, 2018 at 9 AM. We aim to host a series of events tailored to strengthen the fragile families offering diverse services to all communities. The award ceremony will also designate the 20th Annual National Partnership for Community Leadership International Fatherhood Conference nominee for "2018 National Father of the Year."

Favorite Father "nominees" must be an active member of a fatherhood program, pta, mentoring, or unit promoting responsible parenting within their community.

* A recent picture, no larger than 1MB must be submitted. * There will be one winner per category. Nominees can ONLY win in one of the five categories. * Voting will begin February 21st. Voting will end April 15th. * The winners will be announced at the 2018 Favorite Father Celebration Breakfast. All nominees will be presented and introduced with their families.

Thank you for your participation. If you have any questions,



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Please feel free to call: Oliver Williams at (901) 323-3900.

Participants are to be nominated for demonstrating responsible Fathering in one of five protective factors of the Strengthening Families approach: parental resilience, social connections, concrete support in times of need, knowledge of parenting and child development, and social and emotional competence of children. Research studies support the common-sense notion that when these Protective Factors are well established in a family, the likelihood of child abuse and neglect diminishes. Research shows that these protective factors are also “promotive” factors that build family strengths and a family environment that promotes optimal child and youth development.

Category 1

Favorite Single Father: He who can manage to bounce back from all types of challenges that emerge in every family’s life. It means he resiliently finds ways to solve problems, building and sustaining trusting relationships with his children, and knowing how to seek help when necessary.

Category 2

Favorite Father at the Church: This father is part of the village. He is a friend, family member, Pastor, Deacon, Laymen and/or community member who provides emotional support, helps solve problems, offer advice and gives concrete assistance to children.

Category 3

Favorite Father on and off the Field: This is the “Coach” or father-figure who has coached or is coaching you to persevere through life’s adversity. When in a jam, this figure will walk with you until you reach the goal.

Category 4

Favorite Father of the Family: This is a biological, step-father, grandfather, Uncle, Brother



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or one stepping in to ensure the success of the family. He is one who has and will sacrifice to ensure development.

Category 5

Favorite Father at the School: is a man who has displayed the ability to interact positively with children and others, advocates self-regulation of their behavior and effectively communicates to achieve a desired result.

Select a Category for which you are nominating a Father (Please circle one category)

Category 1 Favorite Single Father Category 4 Favorite Father of the Family
Category 2 Favorite Father at the Church Category 5 Favorite Father at the School
Category 3 Favorite Father on and off the Field

Referral Source

Name of Father

Father's Phone # Father's E-mail address

Name of person Nominating Father

Your Phone # Your E-mail address



