

## HOW DO YOU RATE AS FOSTER PARENTS?

Here is an easy self-test:

1. Do you have a natural liking for children and enjoy caring for them?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
2. Can you give children affection and care without expecting an immediate return of love and appreciation?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
3. Are you a couple with a stable and happy marriage?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
4. Are you in good physical and mental health?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
5. Do you consider yourself a mature person who uses good judgment?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
6. Do you have enough space in your home for a foster child?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
7. Can you accept children as different individuals, each with his own individual needs?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
8. Do you have a sense of humor?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
9. If you have children of your own, are they ready to share you, the home, and themselves with a foster child?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
10. Can you accept the relationship the child has with his parents and the agency?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
11. Are you willing to work with the social worker in solving problems and in sustaining healthy relationships with the foster child?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
12. Do both of you want to serve the Lord by opening your home to a foster child?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Remember this is a self-test. If you have marked "yes" for the majority of the questions, foster parenthood might bring you and a foster child deep and long-lasting satisfaction.