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#### AGAPE FOR YOUTH, INC. OPENS SANTA'S SECRET WORKSHOP FOR LOCAL YOUTH

DAYTON – December 13, 2010 – Agape for Youth, Inc. opened Santa's Secret Workshop December 2<sup>nd</sup> thru December 4<sup>th</sup>, giving local youth an opportunity to "shop" for their families this holiday season. The workshop was located at the Agape offices in Moraine and included 130 Agape foster children, adopted children, and the children of the families served through Agape's reunification program.

"It was such a pleasure seeing so many children take part in this year's workshop. We understand how difficult this time of year can be for some families," said Stephen Geib, Executive Director Agape for Youth, Inc. "We were so pleased by the overwhelming generosity of our volunteers and those businesses who donated to this year's workshop."

The children were each given Santa Bucks to "shop" with for their families. Nearly 25 volunteers were on-hand during this three-day event to assist the children in their gift selection. This year's workshop gifts were generously donated by area businesses. At the conclusion of the event the remaining items were donated to FLOC (For Love of Children) and their Christmas for Kids program.

For more information about the ways in which Agape is helping the community this holiday season, please visit their website at [www.agapeforyouth.com](http://www.agapeforyouth.com) or call 937/439.4406.

Agape for Youth, Inc., 2010 Better Business Bureau Eclipse Integrity Award winner, provides foster care and adoption services in southwest Ohio. Agape was founded in 1989 in order to place children into foster homes which could guide and support youth in becoming functioning individuals in society. Over the years Agape has expanded its services to include family foster care, providing adoption home studies, preparation of families and children for adoption, and supportive services to adoptive families. Most recently Agape began offering reunification services working with families whose children are making the transition from foster care back to their biological family. The Agape offices are located at 2621 Dryden Road in Dayton, Ohio.

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