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**AGAPE FOR YOUTH, INC. CELEBRATES 24 YEARS SERVING FAMILIES AND YOUTH IN SOUTHWEST OHIO**

**DAYTON** – March 7, 2013 – Agape for Youth, Inc. is celebrating their 24<sup>th</sup> anniversary of serving the families and youth of southwest Ohio.

“I want to thank everyone who has been a dedicated part of the success of Agape during the past 24 years” said Stephen M. Geib, Executive Director/Founder of the organization. “Our partnering with the local community has been and continues to be greatly appreciated and is pivotal to our serving the families and children of the Miami Valley and surrounding counties.”

"It is a true privilege to be a part of an organization such as Agape for Youth. The dedication and care with which they conduct their work with families in the community is a not only inspiring, but uplifting” said Randy Pavlak, Agape for Youth, Inc. Board of Directors President.

“We are excited to see what the future holds for our community and the children and families we serve.” said Geib. “We invite our community to join us as we continue to change our world one child and one family at a time”

Since their inception in 1989 Agape for Youth, Inc. has expanded their services to include foster care, adoption through foster care and reunification services throughout Southwestern Ohio, and counts a foster parent base of more than 80 families. Agape for Youth has been privileged to serve hundreds of youth and their families and looks forward to future opportunities.

Agape for Youth, Inc., 2010 Better Business Bureau Eclipse Integrity Award winner, provides foster care, adoption and reunification 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 successful members of society. Over the years Agape expanded its services to include family foster care, adoption services and ongoing supportive services to adoptive families. In 2008, as the result of a contract with Job and Family Services, began offering reunification services; working with families whose children are making the transition from out of home care back to their biological family. The Agape offices are located at 2621 Dryden Road in Dayton, Ohio.

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If you would like more information about Agape for Youth, Inc. visit their website

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