Children’s Foster Care and Adoption Themed Books:

**“I Wished For You: An Adoption Story”** by Marianne Richmond

**“A Mother for Choco”** by Keiko Kasza

**“God Found Us You”** by Lisa Tawn Bergren and Laura J. Bryant

**“Tell Me Again About the Night I Was Born”** by Jamie Lee Curtis and Laura Cornell (most appropriate for infant adoption)

**“A Blessing From Above”** by Patti Henderson and Elizabeth Edge

**“Rosie’s Family: An Adoption Story”** by Lori Rosove and Heather Burrill

**“Born From The Heart”** by Berta Serrano (This one could be hard for younger kids because they take the wording very literally and it may confuse them more, just a warning)

**“When Wishes Come True”** by Per-Henrik Gurth (This is not necessarily adoption themed but a short and beautiful attestation to the love the parent has for the child)

**“A Mom For Umande”** by Maria Faulconer and Susan Kathleen Hartung

**“We Belong Together” and “The Family Book”** by Todd Parr

**“The Invisible String”** by Patrice Karst (not specifically adoption but very good for grief, keeping connections even when apart, etc)

**“Maybe Days”** by Jennifer Wilgocki and Marcia Kahn Wright

**“Mama’s Waves”** by Chandra Ghosh Ippen (For children whose parents have struggled with mental illness and/or addiction)

**“Home for A While”** by Lauren H. Kerstein

Books for Foster and Adoptive Parents:

**“The Connected Child: Bring hope and healing to your adoptive family”** by Karen Purvis, David Cross and Wendy Lyons Sunshine

**“Twenty Things Adopted Kids Wish Their Adoptive Parents Knew”** by Sherrie Eldridge

**“Talking with Young Children About Adoption”** by Mary Watkins and Susan Fisher

**“Raising Adopted Children”** by Lois Ruskai Melina (This one has a fantastic introduction that is grounded in attachment theory!)

**“Beyond Consequences, Logic, and Control: A Love-Based Approach to Helping Attachment-Challenged Children With Severe Behaviors”**  by Heather T. Forbes and B. Bryan Post (The title on this one is misleading – this is a great book for any adoptive parent , or any parent at all, dealing with ANY behavior, even developmentally appropriate misbehavior)

**“Adoptive Parent Intentional Parent: A Formula for Building & Maintaining Your Child’s Safety Net”** by Stacy Manning

**“Three Little Words” and “Three More Words”** by Ashley Rhoades-Courter (Memoirs written from perspective of foster child and adoptee)

**“A Child’s Journey Through Placement”** by Vera Fahlberg, MD