



## **FTF Open Call for Contributors**

We are so thankful for our Contributor team who writes to encourage families and point them closer to Christ and today, we are thrilled to let you know that we have a handful of open contributor spots to add to our team on a monthly or bi-monthly schedule.

If you are interested in being a part of this awesome community and ministry by writing for **For The Family**, we'd love for you to submit an article to be considered.

Here are the details:

If selected as a Contributor we ask that you commit to:

- Submitting blog posts onto our Wordpress platform by the 15th of each month prior to the month your post is scheduled. (a quick and easy tutorial is provided)
- Sharing your post on your own blog (excerpt only) and social media the day it goes live on For The Family, as well as respond to reader comments that day.
- Understanding that posts published at [forthefamily.org](http://forthefamily.org) cannot be re-published elsewhere without crediting For The Family.

If you are interested in becoming a regular Contributor for **For The Family**, please submit your article, following the guidelines below by **Saturday, December 22, 2018**.

### **For The Family Contributor Submission Guidelines**

Only submissions sent to the **For The Family** assistant at [ftfassistant2@gmail.com](mailto:ftfassistant2@gmail.com) will be considered.

Submissions should be complete posts between 500-700 words in length. Please include a Statement of Faith with your submission. Include your bio and photograph with your submission. You may include a link to your blog (if applicable) and any other social media channels.

You will receive confirmation that your submission was received. Contributors will be selected and notified by **January 5, 2019**.

We are sorry, but due to the volume of submissions received, we cannot give specific feedback on submissions that are not accepted.

**A checklist for submission is on page 2.**

## **Checklist for your submission**

Submitted by **December 22th, 2018** and emailed only to [ftfassistant2@gmail.com](mailto:ftfassistant2@gmail.com).

A Word document including all of the following in one file:

- Your name as the file name
- Post Title and your name at the top
- Complete post with word count between 500 - 700 words
- Statement of Faith
- Biographical Information with a link to your blog (if applicable) and one other social media channel
- High-quality photograph of yourself (please do not include anyone else in the photograph)
- Your contact information – email and phone number

## **Selection Criteria**

Your submitted post will be reviewed according to the following criteria:

**Relevant to our audience:** We suggest you read several of the posts on our blog to get a feel for what is resonating with our audience, and topics that have been covered recently. The tone of the post should be relational, informative and/or based on personal experience and focus more on faith-based suggestions and solutions than on problems. You can read our Mission Statement and our beliefs on our [Welcome!](#) page.

**Strength of writing:** The writing should be tight and friendly, but not overly casual. It should be free from grammatical errors and misspelled words. We suggest that you ask a friend to review your writing before submitting. Please see this article for [25 Common Grammatical Mistakes to Avoid](#).

**Catchy Title:** Include a title with your submission that will generate interest in your topic and encourage people to read the post. This article has great tips for Writing Catchy Headlines.  
<https://goinswriter.com/catchy-headlines/>

**Strong Opening Paragraph:** Your opening paragraph should draw readers in and help them identify with a felt need you are going to address with your post. This article can help you [Open Your Blog Post With A Bang](#).

If you have questions about the submission process, please contact us at [ftfassistant2@gmail.com](mailto:ftfassistant2@gmail.com).