## Sarah and Andrew



### Hello!

Thank you so much for considering us to raise your child. We were blessed by adoption once before, so we understand that this time can be challenging for you. We are humbled to be considered to parent your child, and we hope you learn everything you need to know in our profile to bring you peace.

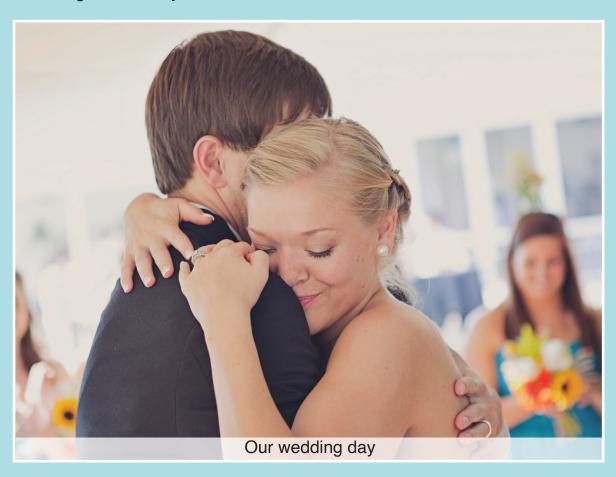
Infertility is part of our story, but we discussed our desire to adopt before we were married. Both of us grew up knowing friends who had been adopted. We are so blessed to attend a church that has more than 10 adoptive families from a variety of backgrounds. We are thankful that our children will be able to grow up around many other children whose stories may be similar to theirs. We have been overwhelmed by the love and joy our son has brought to our lives, and we know that our hearts still have so much love to give.

Much love, Sarah and Andrew



## Our Story TOLD BY SARAH!

Andrew and I met in high school at a homecoming dance while I was on a date with one of his friends! Not long after that, we ended up in the same church youth group. For the next year, we attended the same events and became great friends. We officially started dating as freshmen in college. After four years, Andrew recreated our very first date for the proposal. We went ice skating, to dinner, and then we took a walk outside in our quaint downtown. We sat together on a rock by the water, and he asked me to marry him. It was very special. We just celebrated our 10th wedding anniversary.



#### Things We love To Do Together

- Oo to the beach! We take an annual vacation to a beachy location every year.
- Attend concerts! Some of our favorites include the Eagles, Taylor Swift, and Garth Brooks.
- Eat Asian-inspired food! Sarah often creates dishes at home, but we love sushi, hibachi, and pad Thai.
- Be active! We love to walk around our neighborhood or hike a nearby trail.

# Our Values

We were both raised in Christian homes and continue to incorporate this into our lives as adults. We enjoy leading our small study groups, volunteering in the church nursery, and spending time with friends from our church.

#### Family

We value quality time together, whether we are playing games, crafting, or just reading a book. We enjoy connecting with each other so that we can continue having strong and positive family relationships. This gives us a deep appreciation for each other.







### Meet Sarah

Occupation: Stay-at-home mom

**Degree:** Bachelor in Therapeutic Recreation

Siblings: Two older brothers





Fun Fact
I love all dogs
and have never
met one I did
not like.

Snuggles with my niece

I moved a lot growing up, but mostly lived in South Carolina, Oklahoma, and Nevada. I loved to play outside and take care of my pet animals (which included hamsters, birds, rabbits, dogs, and cats). When I got a little older, I babysat a lot. I have always been a caregiver in some capacity, so it made sense that I pursued a degree in college that involved working with people with special needs. I used to work in a nursing home organizing games for people with dementia, but now I stay home full-time with our son. I can't wait to have another little one to snuggle, guide, and teach.

### My Favorite Things

Cooking new recipes
Watching Friends
90s boy bands
Country music
Playing Scrabble





### Meet andrew

Occupation: Finance Manager

Degree: Bachelor in Finance with a minor in Accounting

Siblings: One younger sister



I grew up in South Carolina. I lived in the same house my whole childhood and attended a small school nearby my home. I loved to hang out with my neighbors, go to the pool in the summer, and play baseball with my dad. One of my favorite memories is having late night dance parties to cheesy music with my family. I studied finance in college and now work at a bank. I will take a few months off when we adopt again. I am excited to bond with the baby and help our son learn to be a big brother.





#### My Favorite Things

Playing Wiffle ball
Watching Atlanta Brave baseball
Gummy peach rings
Watching Remember the Titans
Teaching and helping others

### Meet Toshua



Joshua is such a joyful and energetic child! We adopted him as a newborn, and we couldn't be more grateful. He has been smiling since the day he was born and has the happiest personality. He is sensitive, extremely observant, a quick learner, and he loves singing and listening to music.



### Toshua's Favorite Things

Cars and trucks
Story time at the library
Playing at the park
Swimming at the pool
Walking on trails



#### What Sarah loves About Andrew

I love that Andrew is always trying to make me laugh. He reminds me to not take things so seriously. He never forgets an anniversary and makes me homemade cards for birthdays with special photos attached. He is so thoughtful!



On our honeymoon

### What Andrew loves Obout Sarah

I fell in love with Sarah because of her fun-loving spirit, constant smile, sense of humor, and strong faith. As a mom, her patience is seemingly unending. In every situation, she seems to know exactly what to do and what to say.

### Our Families

All of our family members are so supportive of our adoption plan and have absolutely embraced Joshua. Most of them live two hours away. We see them at least once a month, especially for holidays and birthdays. We are very close with our extended families, and Joshua loves seeing the grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins. We go on vacations to the beach with both sides of our families. All the cousins love playing in the sand together.

Our closest friends have been friends with us since childhood or are from our church. We love having others in our home to host parties, watch college football, or grill out on our patio. We also love having Joshua's friends over to play while the moms catch up.





Our Favorite Tradition

For birthdays, Easter, and Christmas, we gift a new book to Joshua. We hope it will foster a love of reading early and show him that the books are important since we gave them on significant dates.



Dinner out with Andrew's sister and husband



Joshua's baptism



Andrew's family

### Our Home Sweet Home

We live in a home located in an established, older neighborhood with lots of trees. It is a big neighborhood with sidewalks, a community pool, and several parks and walking trails nearby. The neighborhood always has families out walking, and people go all out with Christmas lights and Halloween décor. There are a lot of young families with children, so Joshua has a small group of kids his age who we do play dates and walks with.

Our favorite thing about our home is our backyard. It is fenced-in with a patio that has a slide and playhouse on it. We love to watch the deer that regularly hang out around our backyard in the evenings.











A park with lake we like to feed ducks at

### Raising Another little One

We believe that parenting requires a combination of laying strong, consistent foundations and adapting the methods to the unique personality of every child. We look to our faith to provide us wisdom in every parenting decision we make.

#### We will...

- Encourage your child to pursue their own unique talents and abilities.
- Help your child in school and inspire a love of learning.
- Teach your child the importance of learning, hard work, and sacrifice.
- Raise your child to be kind, love others, and help others when they can.
- Raise your child to know their heritage and culture.



On an ATV ride



Joshua when he was a newborn



### Thank You!

Thank you for viewing our profile and taking the time to get to know us. If you pick us to raise your child, you will forever be part of our family. We will pray for you every day, just as we have been doing until now.

#### We promise to...

- Love your child always, unconditionally, and with both of our hearts.
- Raise your child in a home with Christian values.
- Grow their sense of adventure by showing them new places.
- Help them know and appreciate their unique story and your love for them.
- Stay in touch with you so that you can be connected with your child as they grow.

#### Much love,

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