

# Josh & Melanie

Dear Birth Parents,

We are so happy and excited to have begun this process of adoption. And thank you, for letting us be part of this journey with you and for considering us to become parents for your child. Becoming parents is something we have dreamed of for many years. We have gone through a lot of fertility treatments and surgeries to help us get pregnant, but they didn't work for us. Now we find ourselves turning to adoption to build our family and it feels right to be starting this process.

We've been married for 14 years and have wonderful jobs we enjoy. Our family and friends are waiting to help us welcome a child into our lives. We have support from so many people as we start the adoption process and it has been amazing seeing their excitement as we talk about our plans to adopt. If you select us to be parents for your child, we promise to give your child unconditional love, learning, adventure, fun and laughter. Grandparents, an aunt, uncle, cousins, and many other people important in our lives who will love your child just as much as we will.

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# Fun Family Facts



## Openness

As hopeful parents, we understand that you may want to meet the family you select. We would be excited to meet you and talk about your hopes and dreams for your child. It would be a joy for us to let you know just how much your child is loved by sending pictures & letters through the agency or an email account throughout the year. We would also be open to meeting with you again throughout the first few years and building a relationship. Should you want to write a letter to your child and send any pictures, we love to have those for the child as he or she gets older and asks us questions.

## Views on Adoption

We are excited to begin the process of adoption as a way to build our family. Melanie had leukemia when she was very young and because of the treatment, we have struggled with infertility. We strongly believe that God has led us to adoption in order to fulfill our dreams of becoming parents. When our son or daughter is old enough, we plan to talk about the adoption, why we adopted and how much we wanted to become parents and how loving you were as the birth parents. We want our child to know how special they are to us and also how great you were to trust us enough to care for your child. The loving decision you are making will never be taken for granted.



Kenzie



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## Views on Parenting, Education & Discipline

As parents, we believe it is important to instill the values of love, respect and honesty as our son or daughter grows up. Education is very important to us as well. We want our child to have every opportunity to learn and plan to provide them the resources they will need throughout the years. Our home will be filled with educational toys, books, puzzles to stimulate their mind and help with motor skills and problem solving as they develop. When our son or daughter is young, we will use time out as the main form of discipline.

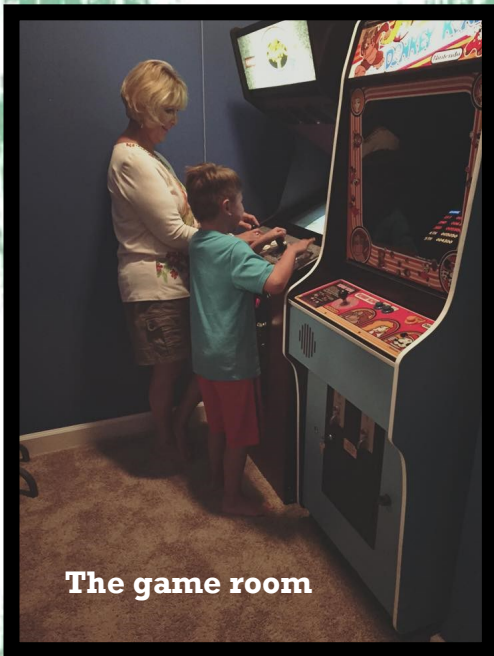


## Family Life

Both of our families live close by so we get to see them often. We especially love when our nieces and nephews come to spend time with us. They keep asking when we are going to get a baby. If we have a day off together, we like to be spontaneous and take days trips or drive somewhere just to have dinner. We know that bringing a family into our lives will change that, but we are thrilled about making these changes and know that having a son or daughter will be an amazing experience.

## Religious Life

We attend a local church weekly and our child will attend this church with us. Melanie's family also attends this church, so Sunday mornings are family time as well as church time.



The game room

## Child Care Plans

Both sets of soon to be grandparents are extremely excited for this adoption and will help by taking care of the baby once Melanie returns to work. We love knowing that our child can stay home and be cared for by our family at such a young age. After our child is older, preschool is important for social skills to be developed and individual learning, along with sharing and playing with other children which also creates problem solving skills.

## Our Home

Our neighborhood is very family friendly. The neighborhood has many young families with children. Our home has 4 bedrooms and 3 baths.

