

Tyler & Michelle

Hello,

We are so grateful that you're taking time to look at our profile. We want to thank you for your courage and strength as you make this very difficult decision. We know you're considering adoption out of a place of extraordinary love and selflessness. We have the utmost respect for you and share in your desire to provide the best future possible for your child.

We hope this book will give you some insight about who we are as a family and how excited we are to become parents.

We've been together for 14 years, making for a stable and long-lasting relationship. We're best friends, which is one of the greatest strengths of our marriage. We value family above all else and can't wait to complete our family through adoption. We look forward to helping a child discover and pursue their own passions and dreams, and will encourage them to grow into the kind of person that makes this world a better place.

We've been foster parents and had a great experience raising our foster children until they returned to their mother. Foster parenting gave us real-life insight on who we are as parents.

Tyler is a fun dad. He'll have our child laughing, smiling, thinking outside the box, and looking for new adventures every day. He's also a fantastic mentor and will provide a child with a lifetime of guidance and support.

Michelle is a nurturer and loves the day-to-day moments of caring for children. She looks for a positive side in all things and hopes to pass that outlook on to our child. She has an enormous capacity for love, and in her, a child will find a lifetime source of love, comfort, strength, and encouragement.

Adoption is a gift for which we'll be forever grateful. We'll always be honest with your child about their adoption story. They'll know where they came from and that their birth parents love them dearly. Thank you again for considering us.

Sincerely,
Tyler & Michelle

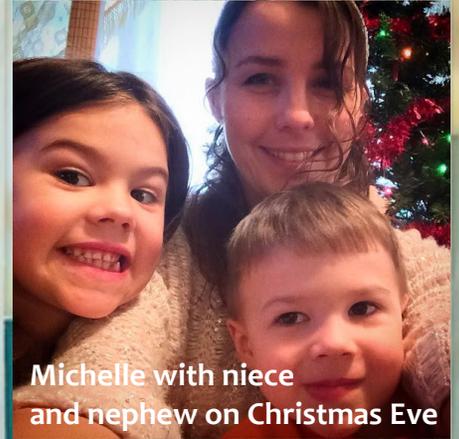
Fun Family Facts



The rest of our family—Dixie, Paco & MJ



Taj Mahal in India



Michelle with niece and nephew on Christmas Eve

Views on Adoption

We've always wanted to be parents but have struggled with infertility for years. We're big kids at heart and can't wait to share our adventures with a child. Adoption will allow us to complete our family. Adoption has always been an option for us. We see it as a normal way to build a family. It is, in fact, common in Michelle's family. She has a total of six adopted cousins. She also grew up with a step-family, and we know that love doesn't have to have biological ties.



Hiking in Colorado



Views on Parenting, Education & Discipline

We believe every child deserves a home where they feel unconditionally loved and comfortable being themselves. We hope to raise a confident, kind, and well-rounded child who puts their faith in God. We look forward to helping our new family member grow into the person that he or she will become. We believe it's the parents' responsibility to provide their child with a loving home and happy childhood, while also providing discipline and guidance to prepare them to be a happy and successful adult. We practice positive reinforcement and love & logic discipline.

Tyler's family at Disney World



Tyler and our nephew at St. Patty's Day parade

Family Life

I (Tyler) have a younger brother and sister. My brother is married and has two children. My father, sister, brother and his family live only a couple hours away. My mother has passed away and I miss her greatly. I will promise to let her live on by sharing a similar love for our child as she did for me.

I (Michelle) have one older brother and one younger brother. We live in the same town as my grandma, brother, and cousin, and we're a short 45 minute drive from the rest of my family. Our family is very supportive and actively involved in their children's lives. Both of our families can't wait for us to become parents.



Out to dinner with Tyler's family



Tyler with niece in Hurricane Tunnel

Michelle's family at a 5k color run



Tyler building Legos with our nephew



Religious Life

We are Christians and regularly attend a protestant church that spreads a message of love, redemption, acceptance, and service. Our church has excellent children's programs that make Sundays fun and exciting for kids while teaching them about the love of Jesus. We serve as greeters and attend small groups.



Child Care Plans

Michelle will get four months of maternity leave and Tyler has saved vacation days to allow us time to care for and bond with our child. After maternity leave, Michelle works from home with a flexible schedule. She plans to keep our child with her, only utilizing daycare on occasion if work is especially busy. She may switch to part-time hours until the child is old enough to go to school.

Our Home

3 bedroom home with a fenced backyard

