



*Aaron and Katie*

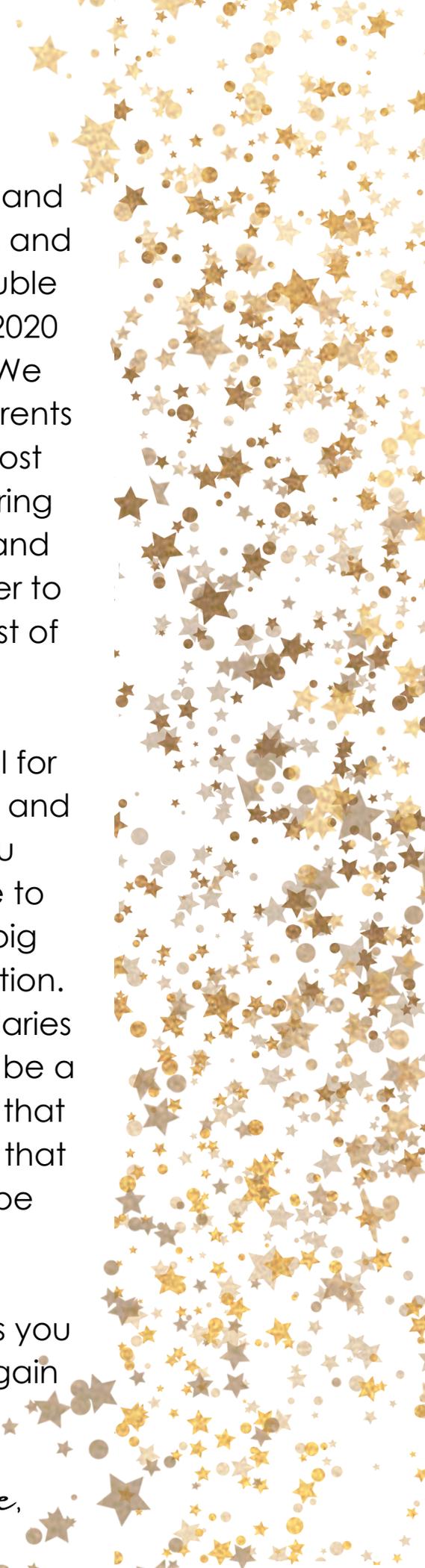
# HELLO,

Thank you for taking the time to read our profile and consider us. We have been married for ten years and decided to explore adoption when we had trouble getting pregnant. We adopted our son Josh in 2020 and would like to grow our family once more. We believe that adoption is a beautiful act for all parents involved with a focus on the child's future as most important. We admire you so much for considering adoption. We have a lot of room in our hearts and would love the chance to add a son or daughter to our family and take care of him or her for the rest of our lives.

As part of the adoption process, we are hopeful for an open relationship. We would like to meet you and get to know you during your pregnancy if you choose us. After the child is born, we would like to keep up a relationship that allows us to share big moments, photos, cards, and other communication. Of course, we would be respectful of any boundaries you might have. In addition to that, it would also be a priority to us to make sure our future child knows that he or she is adopted from an early age. We feel that a background that includes adoption should be celebrated, not hidden.

We wish you the very best and God's blessings as you move through this time of your life. Thank you again for your consideration.

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Aaron,

I grew up in a small city in central Wisconsin where most of my family lives. Growing up, I helped with my family's construction business. I have always been interested in history and philosophy, and I followed that into college work ending in a master's degree. After I college, I decided to work as an English teacher in China for a year, which really broadened my view of the world. As a kid in Wisconsin, I grew up following and loving the Wisconsin Badgers and the Green Bay Packers. I still love football, history, and reading. Like Katie, I also enjoy time to just watch a TV show and relax. I currently partner with my parents to run a family business in our town.

Katie

I was raised on my family's dairy farm in Southern Illinois. I was an only child, so my pets and my imagination entertained me most days. As a kid and teenager, I loved to read, perform in music groups, play with my pets, and help my mom cook and garden. My dad is a die-hard Cardinals baseball fan, and I have followed in his footsteps. My love of literature and reading influenced my decision to be an English teacher. However, last year I decided to leave teaching to work with Aaron in the family business and have more time at home with our son. In my spare time, I still enjoy reading, cooking, and gardening. I also love just relaxing on the couch and watching TV.





## Joshua

We were blessed to be chosen to adopt Josh as a newborn in 2020. He turned 3 in January. Josh can best be described as outgoing, sweet, smart, and silly. Raising him has been our most fun and exciting adventure so far, and Josh has been completely embraced by both of our families. He loves playing outside, driving around his toy cars and trucks, visiting his grandparents, and spending time with our cat and dog. Josh loves the little ones at his daycare and at our church, and we think he is going to be a great big brother.



# Home

## Sweet Home



We live in a quiet, family-friendly neighborhood in a medium-sized town.



*A little about*  
OUR PETS



Our pets are a part of our family.  
Sophie is gentle and shy.  
Finn is sweet and playful.

# family

## PARENTING

Love and communication are so important to a strong family. Some of the things we learned from our parents is that an important way of showing love is by spending time. We learned that it's important to explain the "why" of rules, so the reason for punishment is clear. To us, punishment means discussion, time out, grounding in later years, and removal of privileges. Looking back, those things seem effective and fair, and we follow our parents' lead in our own family.



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Happy  
Day!

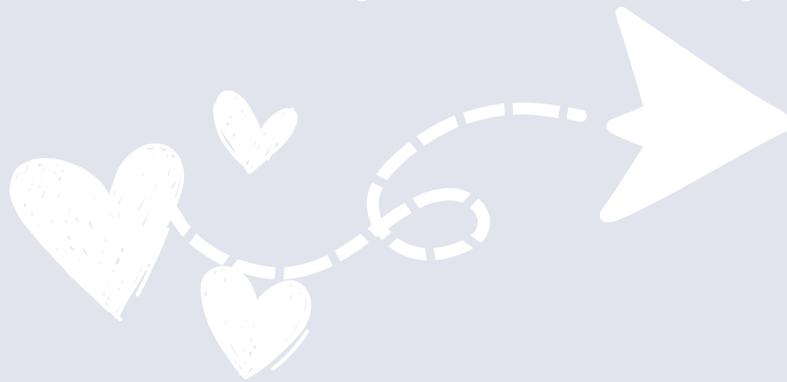


## CHILD CARE

Katie will take 6-8 weeks off for maternity leave, and Aaron will take at least 2 weeks. We also have a terrific in-home daycare, and our parents are very hands-on grandparents. Our church offers a great preschool and grade school starting at 3.

## EDUCATION

We want our child to achieve the highest he or she can and to follow his or her interests and dreams. We would support our child in gaining training after high school that makes for a stable and happy adulthood - welder, teacher, EMT, engineer, etc., we would be proud parents!



## THANK YOU!

We're so excited to be adopting and bringing another child into our family. We hope our story will help you in making your choice, no matter what you choose. We wish you and your child all the best. We would look forward to meeting you in person. Thank you again for taking the time to consider us!

