

# Caleb, Rebekah, and Selah





# Dear Expectant Parent,

Thank you for taking the time to read about our family. We have been praying for you for the past 18 months, eagerly awaiting the day that God would cause our paths to cross. We are so in awe of your courageous decision to consider placing your child for adoption. What an amazing gift!

As we begin this journey with you, we promise to make sure your child always knows that your choice was made out of the deepest love for him or her. Our hope is that we can partner with you in an open adoption.

We are so thrilled at the opportunity to grow our family in this special way. After facing infertility in our first two years of marriage, in 2010, we started feeling God nudging us towards adoption. However, much to our surprise, we discovered we were pregnant just a few months after signing up with an agency. Life has brought many twists and turns ever since, but adoption never left our hearts. We are thrilled to pursue adoption again now that our lives have settled down.

We hope that the pages that follow help you get to know us a little better and decide if we are the family you would like to raise your precious child.

Caleb and Rebekah





## About Us

In early 2006, we met on an online Christian discussion forum run by an author whose books we'd both read. We immediately became great friends and chatted daily for lengthy periods of time. On Christmas Day, 2006, we began a serious relationship and we were married in July 2008.

Since then, life (and the Army!) has taken us to five different states and nine different homes, but our constant has always been our faith and our commitment to each other. We are grateful after twelve years of marriage to be in a season of much greater stability, both financially and in our home, which we purchased in 2015.





## Caleb

Caleb is a true gentleman and is selfless, genuine, and loving towards those around him. He works as an Instructor of Military Science at a local college, as well as serving in the Missouri National Guard one weekend a month. He is so proud to serve his country and train up the next generation of soldiers.

Caleb is also a tender and loving daddy who takes a consistent interest in our daughter Selah's life. He especially enjoys showing Selah the great outdoors, whether through camping, hiking, or just exploring. He always has a dad joke at the ready, which Selah absolutely loves!

In his free time, Caleb enjoys being outdoors, reading, acting in various church drama productions, playing piano and guitar, and woodworking.

Rebekah is an amazing wife and mom to Selah. She is selfless in managing our family and is always willing to help a friend in need. She is a great cook, a talented seamstress, and applies her creativity in many ways.

Most recently, her passion for learning has led her to fulfill a lifelong desire of being a teacher. After several years of substituting in local public schools, this year Rebekah accepted a position as a fourth grade teacher at a local private school. She loves the fact that she gets to incorporate her faith into her work and is excited to see her students grow this year.

In her free time, Rebekah enjoys sewing, baking, refinishing furniture, gardening, watching sci-fi shows with Caleb, and having long conversations with her sister Bethany, who lives in Australia.

## Rebekah







## Selah

Selah is 8 years old and loves every bit of being a kid--riding bikes with her friend next door, twirling in dresses, crafts and glitter, and reading as many books as she can squeeze into the day. She is SO excited to become a big sister!

Selah and our golden retriever, Honey, share a special bond and love to be together. Selah loves to read outside in her hammock and Honey will lay down in the grass nearby. They love each other so much!

Honey is a ten year old golden retriever but still thinks she's a puppy sometimes. Most days you can find her snoozing in the sun, running after a ball, or giving slobbery kisses to anyone who ventures outside.

## Honey





# Why Adopt?

We decided to adopt in 2010 after facing infertility in our first 2 years of marriage. It was a difficult time, but choosing adoption was something we really felt called to. Even when we learned we were unexpectedly pregnant, we knew adoption was still in our future.

In 2018, we began infertility testing again. After multiple rounds of unsuccessful treatments, we felt this was our sign that it was time to re-consider adoption. In early 2019, we started the process to adopt. Throughout this time, our family, friends, and community have been so supportive and encouraging. We are so excited to grow our family in this special way!








## Our Home



We own a 4 bedroom home in a small community on the outskirts of a large town. We have an ocean-themed nursery set up and ready. We also have a large fenced backyard where Selah enjoys playing.

Our neighborhood mainly consists of young families with children who enjoy playing together. We are a short drive from local amenities, an excellent school district, and parks and lakes.



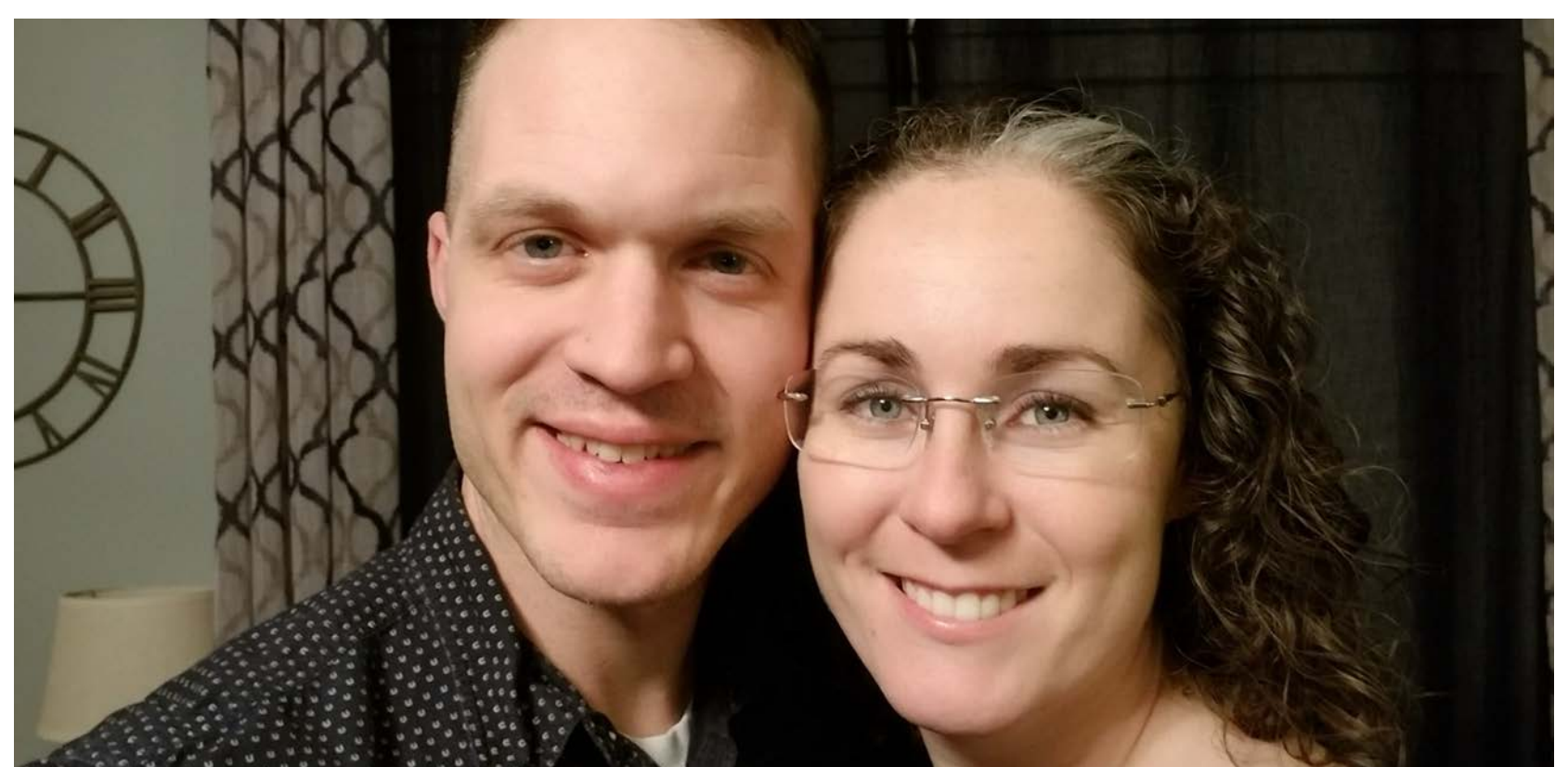


# Openness

Our ultimate desire is an open adoption where our child knows he or she is loved by two sets of parents. We know we can never replace the special bond you have with your child and we will always do our best to honor your role in your child's life. We will make sure he or she knows how much you love him/her and will seek to support regular communication, updates, and possible visits. We really hope we have the opportunity to develop a relationship with you, too.

Having seen friends and family members adopt, we feel the best thing for everyone involved is to make our child's adoption story a normal part of their life from day one. We will share about you and the incredibly courageous, loving choice you made in placing him/her for adoption. We will always seek to honor you in the way we speak about you.

While we both come from a Caucasian background, we are fully open to a child of any ethnic or racial background. We strongly believe that LOVE makes a family! Rebekah is Australian and grew up in a large city surrounded by people from many different ethnic backgrounds, so differences do not intimidate us, but are celebrated and encouraged. From the training we have done, we recognize that adoption involves some unique challenges, but we are committed to doing whatever is required to ensure your child knows he or she is loved and accepted.







# Thank you!!!

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Love, Caleb, Rebekah & Selah

