

# Our Family



Ricardo, Christina, Nolan and Liam





Thank you for taking the time to look through our family profile. Our family has been praying for you and your baby and that you would feel loved and supported by the people around you. We pray for your safety and health. We can only imagine the thoughts and questions swirling around in your mind, but we cannot fully understand it like you do. We hope our book may bring you some clarity and answer some questions as you make a decision for your baby.

Our hope is to adopt a child who will grow up in our loving home and knows the love of their birth parents and adoptive parents.



# Ricardo

I am 36 years, I grew up in Los Angeles California. I speak Spanish. I went into the military around 19 years old after a few years in college. It gave me direction and purpose. I never intended on working in the counseling field, but a counselor saw something in me. I currently work with people who have schizophrenia. I love my work. I love my family and spending time with them, guiding them spiritually and emotionally. They are the reason I go to work and live. I am so grateful for my life, which feels like a dream to me. God has really helped me to see what is truly important in life and it is not things.







# Christina

I am 36 years old. I was born in Texas, but have enjoyed living in Missouri since I was three. I have two older brothers and a younger step-brother; I enjoy the fun and humor that comes along with being surrounded by boys. In 2017, we had our first son, Nolan. Just under two years later, we had Liam in 2019. Aside from going to college, I was a stay at home mom. In 2018, I earned my bachelors degree in art education and then a masters degree in education technology in 2022. I love learning and enjoy teaching, but I quickly realized that teaching and being a mom was not ideal. I missed having time with my family. Ricardo and I decided we would homeschool and he became the breadwinner. We are able to guide our sons in God's Word and now we are able to spend lots of family time together. The reason I want to adopt is because I have always wanted a big family. I am beyond blessed with the two sons I have and welcome more blessings if that is God's will for our family.



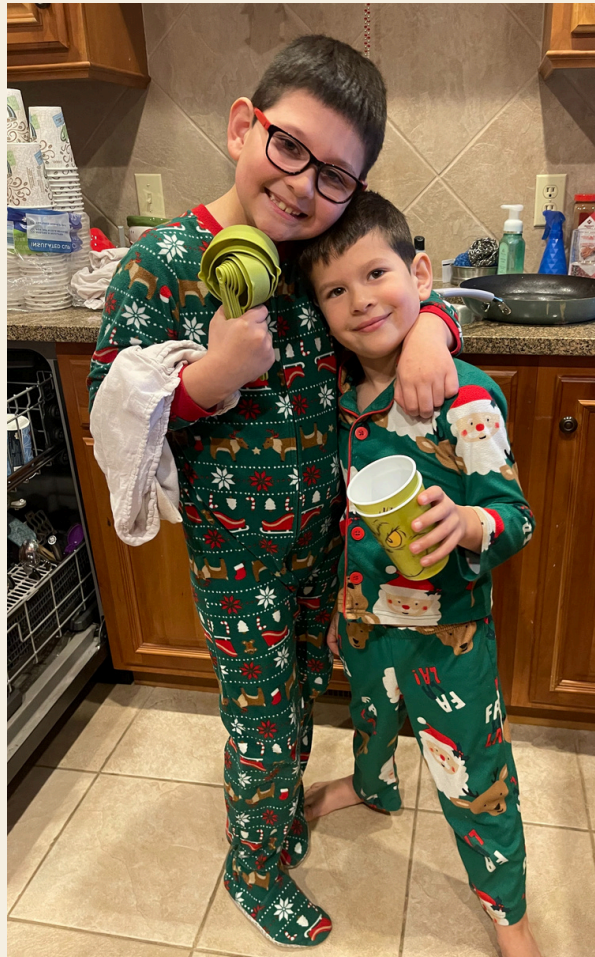
# Nolan & Liam

Nolan is below and that is Liam to the right. Nolan is a wonderful big brother. His brother Liam spends time in the nursery and with younger children at church helping take care of them. He will also be a great big brother someday.



We waited several years before we had children. Nolan was born in 2017 and Liam was born in 2019. We spent several years getting to know each other and going through school together, so that we could provide a better life for our children. We enjoyed our time together, traveling the world, growing, and learning, but none of it compared to holding our boys.







# Our Home



We live in Southwest Missouri. Our children attend summer school in between home schooling. There are many local parks, a splash pad, and water park. Our neighborhood has a swimming pool and pond to fish in. There are walking trails near our home. Our home has plenty of room, there are about 5 bedrooms and 4 bathrooms in our home and only four of us living there.



# Our Adoption Philosophy

Our ideal adoption situation where the child is placed first. We would like active participation and communication from birth parents. We also understand that not all situations are the same and that may not be possible in all situations. We would love to work with the birth parents in order to build a plan that benefits the child most of all.

We were not necessarily born into large and close families. However, we feel like we have so much more love to give; and it's not just me and Christina. Our boys talk about a desire to love a future sibling and welcome them into our family. I know that there are a lot of pictures of our boys in these pages and there might be a temptation to say, "they look complete". And the truth is that we are happy and satisfied with what God has given us today. We still hope for the large noisy family that we never had. Any child that comes into our home will be just as important and just as loved as our boys. One of my favorite passages in scripture is found in Ephesians 1:4-6. It reads "even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption". I spent so much of my life looking for a dad, someone to love me like a father and it wasn't until I turned to God who adopted me into his family that I was fully satisfied. Adoption for me, is finding a place where you rest & belong.



# Our Pets

We have a bulldog named Patch and cat named Lucky. Our boys love to play outside with them in our fenced in yard where they also enjoy a playground and a garden. The pets are very kind with children.





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