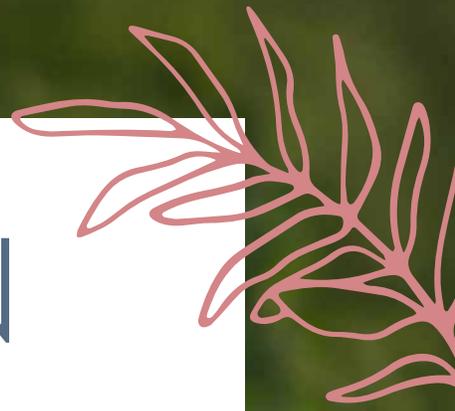


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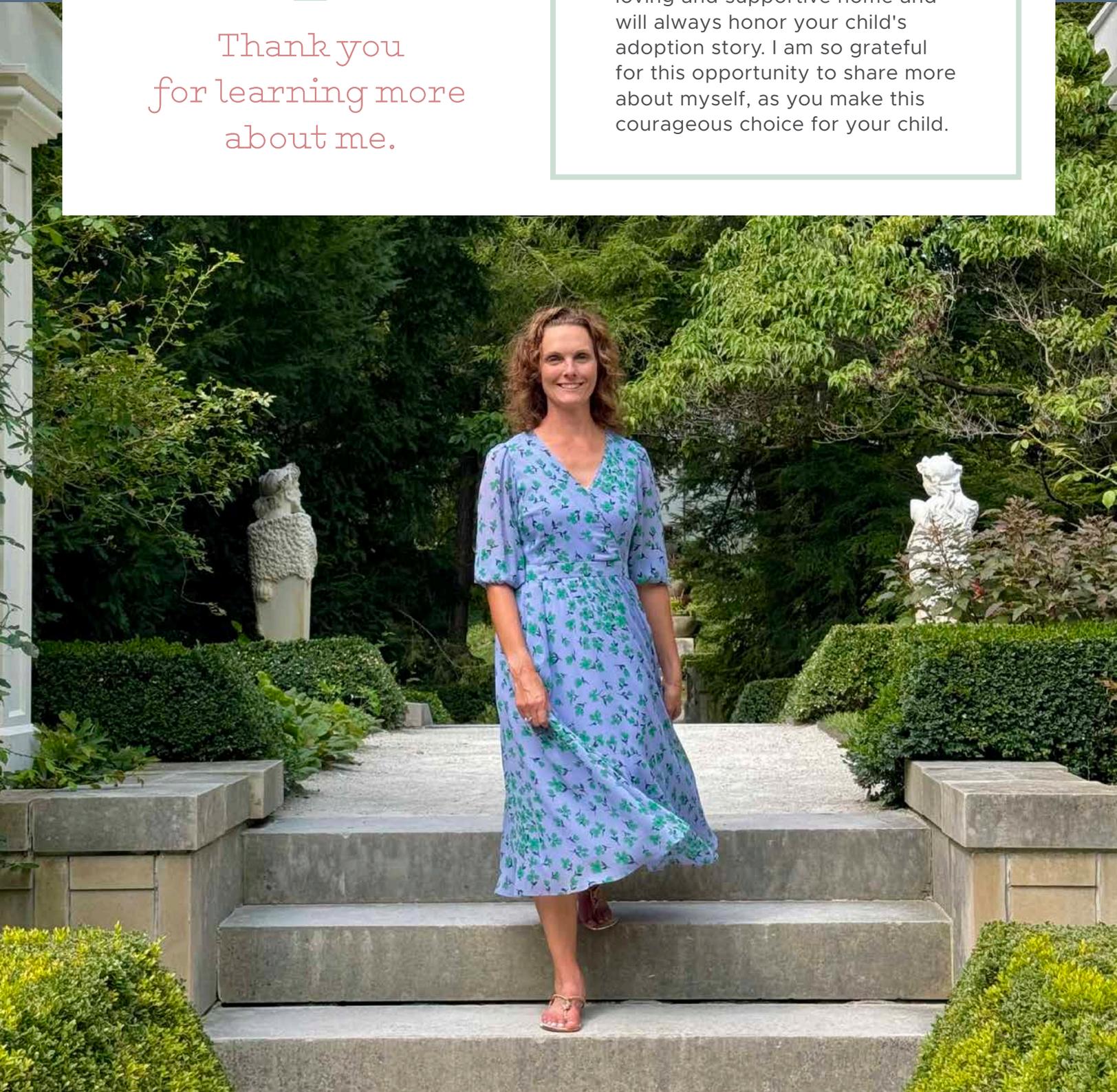




HELLO!  
I'M ALLISON

Thank you  
for learning more  
about me.

I deeply respect you and your decision to choose adoption for your child. I am grateful to be considered. My hope is that we will get to know each other on this journey, if that's what you're looking for too. I will provide a loving and supportive home and will always honor your child's adoption story. I am so grateful for this opportunity to share more about myself, as you make this courageous choice for your child.





**My dog Teddy is a constant source of joy in my life**

I grew up playing sports and experiencing the outdoors, so being active is important to me. I love exploring, whether it's taking a new walking route or the scenic drive home instead of the highway or wandering along hiking trails at the nearby state park. I look forward to leading an active and healthy lifestyle for a child to grow up in. I am excited to see what activities they will be interested in!

My dad is adopted and it's always been on my heart that I would adopt - even while pursuing fertility treatments, which didn't work out. I'm blessed with an incredibly supportive family and loyal friends that span generations. My big support system can't wait to welcome a little one into our family.



## about me

I HAVE WISDOM  
AND EXPERIENCE,  
AND AM ALSO A  
KID AT HEART!

Life is better in full color





Scenic boat ride on the Douro River in Portugal

Beautiful flower farm in South America

## a little more ABOUT ME

I am loyal, honest, witty, hopeful, curious, disciplined, trustworthy, collaborative, and adventurous. I have a good sense of humor, love to learn, and am adaptable to change. The causes I care about are education, poverty, hunger relief, animal welfare, and nature conservation.

I am from a family that explored the national parks, a passion I got from my dad. Growing up, my brother, mom, dad and I would go on road trips nearly every summer, driving across the country and appreciating the natural beauty within the national park system. This all sparked a desire to explore internationally too and learn about cultures and the natural beauty of the world. I look forward to teaching my child about nature and history, and exploring together.





Just another day in paradise in Colombia

A FEW  
FUN FACTS

Creating my own little paradise



Nothing beats a grill out with good friends

**FAVORITE ANIMAL**  
Elephant

**FAVORITE WAYS TO STAY ACTIVE**

Run, bike, hike, swim, soccer, golf, tennis

**FAVORITE VACATION SPOT**  
Pacific Northwest or Northeast because of the mountains, ocean and lakes, and fresh seafood

**FAVORITE SOUNDS**  
birds chirping, campfire crackle, babbling brook, gentle rain, lapping waves, giggling kids

**COLLECTION**  
Unique rocks or seashells from vacations

**LANGUAGES**  
Spanish (studied for six months in Seville, Spain and for one month last July in Medellin, Colombia)

**FAVORITE DESSERT**  
Molten lava chocolate cake with vanilla ice cream

**FAVORITE SEASONAL ACTIVITY**  
Snow skiing

# MY HOBBIES and INTERESTS

During the week, I walk my dog twice a day. Once a month the local ice cream shop provides free doggie ice cream, so we are regulars at that event! I love to cook meals throughout the week focusing on nutritional ingredients. I look forward to cooking for my child. I love being active and enjoy running, swimming, biking, and group fitness classes. Every other year, my immediate family and I take a family vacation to a new location and spend quality time together. I have worked in software technology for the past 15 years where I have held various leadership positions. I like how innovative and fast-paced the industry is. Serving others with integrity, generosity, and humility was ingrained in me; we all play a role in making the world a better place. For that reason, I like to volunteer as a business coach mentor at a nearby college. Also, I began mentoring a young woman when she was 10 years old and I still mentor her as a 21-year-old!

I love to volunteer!

Delicious gelato treat in Lisbon, Portugal



I'm lucky to have such a scenic daily walking route





# MY HOME and community



My charming home has a large front porch that Teddy and I sit on regularly saying hi to neighbors and their dogs. There's also a fenced in backyard and patio. I live in a loving, safe, diverse, family friendly community with tree lined streets, sidewalks, and nearby parks - the highly rated school is only two blocks away. My home is walkable to restaurants, coffee shops, the grocery store, and a hardware store. At home, I enjoy taking care of my yard and plants. I've planted various flowers that bloom at different times, so there are always colorful blooms in the yard that smell so good and provide food for the bees. I have multiple bird feeders to help care for songbirds and hummingbirds!



MEET TEDDY

Teddy is a lovable, goofy, gentle, and happy Golden Retriever who loves people, especially kids, and will run around with them and lay beside them for hours while they play. Teddy likes to roll on his back down the small hill in the front yard. He also loves to swim and play fetch!

# MY FAMILY & friends



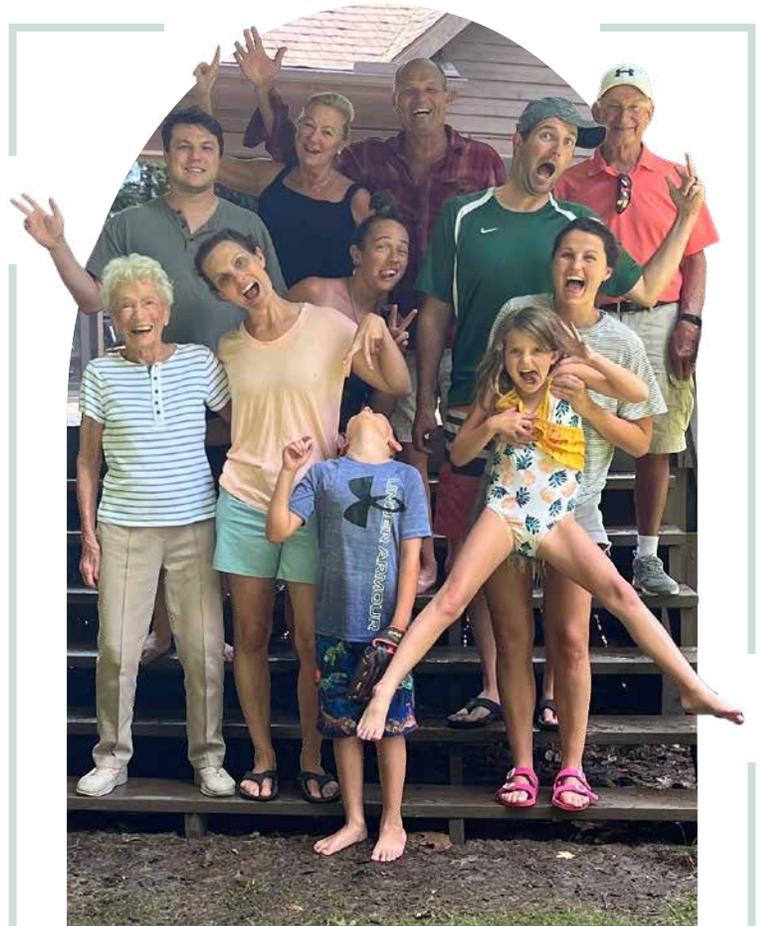
Monthly brunch with my sorority sisters



Celebrating grandma's birthday



My birthday luncheon with good friends



4<sup>th</sup> of July at our family lake house

I have a strong village around me that is ready and excited to welcome this child into their lives. Many friends that I've known since preschool, high school, and college live nearby and are part of my close circle.

Family is very important to me and we see each other very often throughout the year! My dad (who is adopted), brother, niece and nephew, aunts and uncles live close by so it is easy for them to visit.

We cherish family traditions. As an extended family, each Christmas Eve, 25-40 people gather at my aunt and uncle's house for Songfest. My aunt plays the piano and we have a songbook where we sing Christmas carols. Santa always visits and hands out gifts to all of the grandchildren (which includes me!). It's a lively evening filled with joy and celebration. The evening ends with us singing Silent Night in German.



Ziplining adventure for summer camp

# SUMMER CAMP

with my niece & nephew



Stopping for a treat on our bike ride

For the past four years, I (aka "Aunt A") host both a 4 day long summer camp and winter camp for my niece and nephew. A tradition is that I get camp t-shirts made and we tie dye them. I mix in fun, cultural, and educational events. Examples of camp activities are biking, swimming, ice skating, zip lining, visiting museums, and attending a musical. We make home cooked dinners together, play board games, complete puzzles, and read stories. Since it's a device free camp, we get lots of quality time together!



## MY VALUES & beliefs

I am deeply committed to providing a nurturing and loving environment for a child. My home is stable and supportive where a child can thrive on all levels - emotionally, intellectually, and socially.

Your child will know they belong and feel secure—helping them develop a strong sense of self-worth and confidence.

I value education and personal growth. I am committed to encouraging a child's curiosity and creativity, supporting them in exploring their interests and pursuing their passions.

I see myself as a future parent who wants my child to be genuinely happy, and I plan to give him or her all the tools to get there. I am ready to embark on this journey of parenthood with all the love, dedication, and responsibility it entails.

I have wanted to be a parent for a long time and now the thought of fulfilling this role gives me great excitement and joy!



## my faith

My faith is a very important part of who I am. I have relied on my faith throughout this entire journey and know that God's greatest plan is this right here. I attend a nondenominational Christian-based church that has an amazing children's ministry.



## MY PROMISES *to you*

I promise to raise your child in a faith-based home.

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I promise to fill your child's days with love, education, and a diverse and caring community.

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I promise to help your child experience the joy of the visual and performing arts.

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I promise to introduce your child to diverse experiences and offer opportunities for them to discover their authentic selves.

I promise to be a strong role model, providing an environment of kindness, safety, and encouragement.

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I promise to teach your child to appreciate the wonders of nature and the outdoors.

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I promise to support your child's sense of adventure to travel the world and experience different cultures.

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I promise to provide compassion and support throughout their struggles.

I promise to provide your child with lots of quality time, attention, and affection. I hope to parent in a way that inspires my child to be brave, curious, kind and responsible.

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I promise to introduce your child to people from all backgrounds, with the understanding that everyone is worthy and deserving to be seen, heard and respected.

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I promise that I will love your child unconditionally and with all my heart.

Thank you for learning more about me. I acknowledge the decision you're making is difficult. I am grateful for your strength and know you're making the decision from a place of love, bravery and selflessness. Thank you for considering me to be a part of your child's life and for taking the time to learn about me and my values. Should you choose me, I look forward to joining you on this journey.

with much  
respect

—  
ALLISON

