

A photograph of a man and a woman standing together in front of a dark door with green wreaths. The woman is on the left, wearing a blue denim top and black pants, with her hands in her pockets. The man is on the right, wearing a black polo shirt and dark pants, also with his hands in his pockets. They are both smiling at the camera. The background shows a white wall and a brick walkway.

Jake & Rachel

IT'S OUR JOY TO BE HERE.



HI! WE'RE JAKE AND RACHEL, AND THESE ARE OUR KIDS -
EVERLY, EZRA, HUDSON, JUDE, GLORY, AND AUGUST

Throughout these pages, we hope you'll see that relationships mean everything to us. Yes, we have a big family—but that just means more love, more laughter, and more hearts ready to welcome one more! Each of our children is a cherished gift, and we've learned how to balance the beautiful chaos with intentional time, deep connection, and lots of grace. **We believe love multiplies, not divides, and our home is filled with encouragement, support, and a strong sense of belonging.** We're excited to welcome you into our story and hope that one day, we might also be welcomed into yours.



come on in

THERE IS ROOM FOR YOU AT THE TABLE.

Friend, we wish we were sitting with you, chatting over a warm cup of coffee. Knowing this is not yet possible, we hope this letter and this book are the next best thing. We're truly honored that you're here and that you have taken the time to get to know us. We want you to know that we've been praying for you, your child, and your future.

While we can't begin to fully understand the thoughts and emotions you're experiencing, please know how deeply we admire your courage and respect the love that is guiding you as you consider adoption. **Your strength and care do not go unnoticed.** We are so grateful that you're taking a moment to consider us as potential parents. **The opportunity to welcome your child into our home would be life-changing, and it's something we hold with deep reverence and gratitude.**

Two years after the birth of our daughter, Everly, we adopted our son, Ezra. His adoption was one of the most beautiful blessings in our lives. **As our family has grown, so has our desire to open our hearts to adoption again.** We've always dreamed of a big family, and we believe that the more love, laughter, and support, the better!

Whatever path you choose, please know this: *you are seen, you are loved, and you matter.* **Your voice is important, and we will continue to pray that you feel cared for, protected, encouraged, and immensely at peace with whatever decision you make.**

Thank you again for allowing us to share a piece of our heart with you.

WITH DEEP LOVE,

Jake and Rachel



OF OUR FAMILY

We are high school sweethearts, living out the dream of raising a *family that is fun-loving, adventurous, and safe.*

We love big, laugh loud, and never say no to a good meal. We believe in kindness, honesty, and dance parties in the kitchen! We know that life will not always be perfect, but we *can* always tackle it together.



1. **We are family-centered.** From early-morning farm chores to breakfast around the table, our days begin—and often end—together.
2. **We homeschool with intention.** Learning is woven into our daily life, allowing us to nurture curiosity, character, and creativity in a way that reflects our values and unique family rhythm.
3. **We are rooted in faith** and keep Jesus at the center of it all. Through prayer, Bible reading, and church, we strive to live out love, grace, and forgiveness by modeling how Jesus lived.



Family is our top priority.

4. **We are always up for an adventure.** Whether we're splashing in the backyard, camping in the mountains, or escaping to the beach, we prioritize exploration and hands-on learning.
5. **We are a farming family.** Caring for animals, growing food, and working the land connect us to the earth, the seasons, and each other. It's hard work, of course, but it's also filled with joy, dirt-covered kids, and tractor rides.
4. **We love to celebrate.** From birthdays to lost teeth, we believe life is meant to be celebrated. Whether it's a handwritten note, a dance party in the kitchen, or pausing to watch the sunset, we cultivate gratitude in our daily life.



QUALITY TIME IS
our

LOVE LANGUAGE

We find joy in turning everyday experiences into meaningful memories, nurturing family bonds, and fostering a sense of togetherness.

We especially enjoy spending time outside, making homemade pizza on a Friday night, camping, fishing, bowling, reading books, or diving into creative projects like drawing, painting, or playing with Play-Doh.

In our eyes, a good life is hot coffee in the morning, meaningful conversations with each other, laughter with our kids, the satisfaction of working together on the farm, and winding down the day with popcorn and a movie night. These moments bind our hearts together, and we can't wait to welcome another child into it all.

OUR HEART IN COMING TO ADOPTION



Adoption has always been something we felt would be part of our family's story—we actually talked about it while we were dating. After our first daughter was born, we felt ready to take that step. Ezra and the gift of adoption changed us in the best way, and as our family has grown, we've felt God nudging us to pursue adoption again.

We deeply value connection with our child(ren)'s birth family and are very open to maintaining and nurturing a relationship through photos, phone calls, and visits. We believe in honoring our children's roots and helping them grow up with a strong sense of who they are and how deeply they're loved.

We know that being a big family might raise questions for some, but each of our children came into our lives with intention and love. We're not just adding another child; we're opening our hearts and home again because we feel called to this journey.



I AM ADOPTED



I AM BELOVED



GET TO KNOW RACHEL



WHO I AM: I am soft-hearted and fun-loving, with a whole lot of loyalty packed in. Ever since I was little, I dreamed of being a wife and mama—and now that I am, my husband and kids are my whole world. I love fiercely, celebrate the little things, and try to make sure everyone knows they have a place in my home. My happiest moments are spent outside with my babies, sipping hot coffee, and chatting with my husband.

WHAT I DO: I have a bachelor's degree in Education and am a former teacher turned stay-at-home mama and homeschooling educator. I love being deeply involved in my children's daily lives. Watching them grow, develop new skills, and reach their milestones is one of my greatest joys.

AND SOME OF THE THINGS I REALLY LOVE...



Being at home with my family



Cooking and breadmaking



A hot cup of coffee



Crafting and creating



Finding thrifted treasures



A home filled with loved ones

“Rachel is a best friend, a loving wife, and a devoted mom. She is the heart of her home, a light in so many of our lives, and an unwavering strength we all need.” -words from a friend

(in Jake's Words) “Rachel is loyal and authentic—beautiful in every sense of the word. **She's a dedicated mom and friend who pours her heart into people** and challenges them to be their best. She's direct, but always with passion and care.

Whether it's tackling a house project late at night or unplugging to lie in the sun with the kids, **she goes all-in**. If someone's struggling, she's quick to figure out how to lift them up and help them thrive.

It might sound cheesy, but from the moment I met her, I knew she was the one. Our friendship led me to set aside what was “popular” and pursue instead all that God had built me to love.”

“She is unmoved by trends, uninterested in keeping up with the Joneses. What she truly cares about is people finding fulfillment in Jesus and walking alongside them as they pursue their passions. This is the woman I love and am grateful to do life with.” -Jake

THE BEST PARTS OF MOTHERHOOD:

- The joy of watching them grow, learn, and experience new things.
- The honor of walking alongside them as they become who they're meant to be and helping them to deeply know their worth.



GET TO KNOW JAKE



WHO I AM: I’m an outgoing, passionate person who thrives on connection and creativity. I love solving problems, encouraging others to chase their dreams, and finding joy in the little things. Whether I’m brainstorming new ideas, cheering someone on, or diving into a creative project, I bring my whole heart to it. I’m a glass-half-full kind of person—always looking for the good, even in the tough moments, and believing there’s purpose in every part of the journey.

WHAT I DO: I have a bachelor’s degree and work as a mortgage lender and branch manager. I love supporting people on their journey to homeownership and helping create stability for families. I also love my team and the flexibility my job provides.

AND SOME OF THE THINGS I REALLY LOVE...



Spending time
with my family



Hosting loved ones
in our home



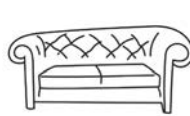
A good cup
of coffee



My kids finding joy
in simple things



Family board
game nights



Date nights
on the couch

“Jake is one of the genuinely caring and compassionate men I know, and his heart to do what is best for others is foundational to how he brings joy to his home and work.” -words from a friend

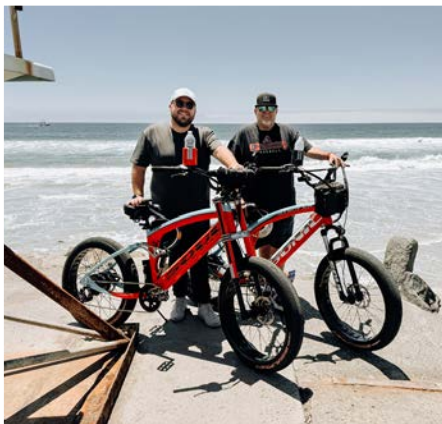
(in Rachel’s Words) “Jake has a gift for making each of our kids feel truly seen and special. He knows their favorite things, how each one likes their eggs cooked, and is always the one they want to show their newest creations to. **He’s funny, easy to talk to, and sees the best in people.** He can strike up a conversation with anyone and brings the gold out in others.

He’s the kind of person you want in your corner—encouraging you, praying for you, and cheering you on every step of the way. **Jake pursues Jesus and genuinely wants to reflect Him in how he lives.** He’s logical, kind, and an amazing cook. He also consistently seeks out the best for others.”

“In all things, Jake is thoughtful and attentive. Whether it’s offering a listening ear, a needed snuggle, or making sure lunch is something everyone looks forward to, he shows up with care and intention every time. He’s my best friend and partner for life” -Rachel

THE BEST PARTS OF FATHERHOOD:

- Watching our kids discover new things and find their passions.
- Seeing them conquer their fears.
- Walking in the door to the world’s best hugs and having them ask to join me in the things I do.



FROM HIGH SCHOOL

SWEETHEARTS TO

A LIFETIME LOVE.



OUR LOVE STORY

(Told by Rachel) We first met in 2007 when we were juniors in high school. I didn't notice him right away—I was caught up in all the typical busyness—but his persistence, humor, and the honest conversations we built over music and **honest conversations slowly won me over**. Our first date was simple and sweet: dinner, a walk around the lake, and ice cream.

He knew early on that I was the one, but it took me a little longer. After years of friendship, I finally knew the same. **He proposed on a balcony overlooking the city after a change of plans** (*I accidentally ruined his original one!*), and we celebrated with family. We got married on a cold December day on a farm, surrounded by the people we love. It's a full-circle moment now, raising our own family on a farm of our own.

We were only 21 when we got married, and though it came with challenges, **it's meant growing up side by side**—through school, jobs, first homes, and babies. Through it all, we've been a team. **We're opposites in a lot of ways, but that's part of what makes us strong**. We challenge each other, love each other deeply, and we're committed to growing together and choosing each other every step of the way.

2011	2013	2015	2015	2015+	2022
Married our high school sweetheart.	Became parents for the first time.	Started our own coffee business together.	Stepped into adoption and met our son.	Continued growing our family & started homeschooling	Moved to our family farm & new home.





meet



MEET EVERLY, 11

Everly is artistic, nurturing, and loyal. She's always got her hands busy—baking, sewing, crafting, or playing a tune on the piano. A little mama at heart, Everly is always finding ways to make people feel special. She remembers the tiniest details and goes out of her way to make everyone around her feel seen and loved.



our



MEET EZRA, 9

Ezra is funny, strong, and empathic. He loves building with Legos, running around outside, and playing the drums. He also loves to make his younger siblings laugh! Ezra has a gift for turning strangers into friends—he's warm, kind, and always finds something in common with everyone he meets.



MEET HUDSON, 8

Hudson is silly, sensitive, and loyal. He is always the first to lend a hand and has one of the kindest hearts around. You'll often find him building epic Lego creations, riding his bike, or swimming at the pool. He also loves teaching his younger siblings new things, such as all the ins and outs about baseball or fishing.

MEET JUDE, 6

Jude is resilient, helpful, and brave. He finds joy in the simplest things and is everybody's "favorite friend." He loves going on tractor rides, being outside, and building. Jude sees the world as one big playground, where every rock, stick, and patch of grass holds a new story to tell, and he's always ready for an adventure.



sweet

MEET GLORY, 4

Glory is strong-willed, loud, and determined. She loves to be the star of the show and is always ready to kick off a dance party. Whether she's playing with babies and Barbies or helping with the chickens and the garden, she dives in with big energy and a big heart. Life with Glory is never boring—and always a little brighter.



six

MEET AUGUST, 2

August is sweet, tender, and fearless. He loves to swing, climb, and spend every minute he can outside. Auggie is easygoing, full of giggles, and always on the move—usually with a big, contagious grin on his face. He's the kind of kid who brings joy wherever he goes. He's ready for his turn as "big brother".



OUR HOME

OUR LANDING PLACE



We live on two acres of land tucked in the middle of a small town in Arizona. Our home is cozy, welcoming, and playful—a place where creativity thrives, learning is a joy, and love is felt in every corner. **We fully renovated our space to reflect who we are,** with open areas for gathering, a big kitchen at the heart of it all, and a dedicated homeschool room filled with sunlight and curiosity. With four bedrooms, a big playroom, and a fenced-in yard that leads to our garden and animals, there's always something to explore. **Even more special—Rachel's parents live just across the property,** and we treasure the gift of sharing everyday life with them.

The location of our home is also a gift. We're just a mile from downtown, where we enjoy weekend farmers markets, family-friendly events, and parks. Our community is diverse, safe, and rooted in strong values—something that's deeply important to us as we raise our children.



FULL OF HEART,

FULL OF LAUGHTER,

FULL OF LIFE.



A WALK AROUND *our farm*



*Where little feet explore,
big dreams grow, and
love is all around.*



A PEEK INSIDE OUR HOMESCHOOL



Our homeschool days are full of creativity, reading, and projects at our big family table. We chose homeschooling because it gives us the freedom to truly personalize our kids' education—shaping it around their interests, strengths, and pace. **It allows us to focus on the whole child, not just academics,** but also emotional, spiritual, and life skills. Homeschooling brings flexibility, deeper connection as a family, and the chance to make learning joyful and meaningful. It's not about checking boxes—it's about **creating an environment where curiosity thrives and relationships grow.**

In the words of our kids:

"I like homeschooling because I like to do painting and crafts." Ezra

"I like being with my family all day." Hudson

"I like homeschooling because I have a lot of free time to focus on the things I love, like sewing, swim team, and piano." Everly

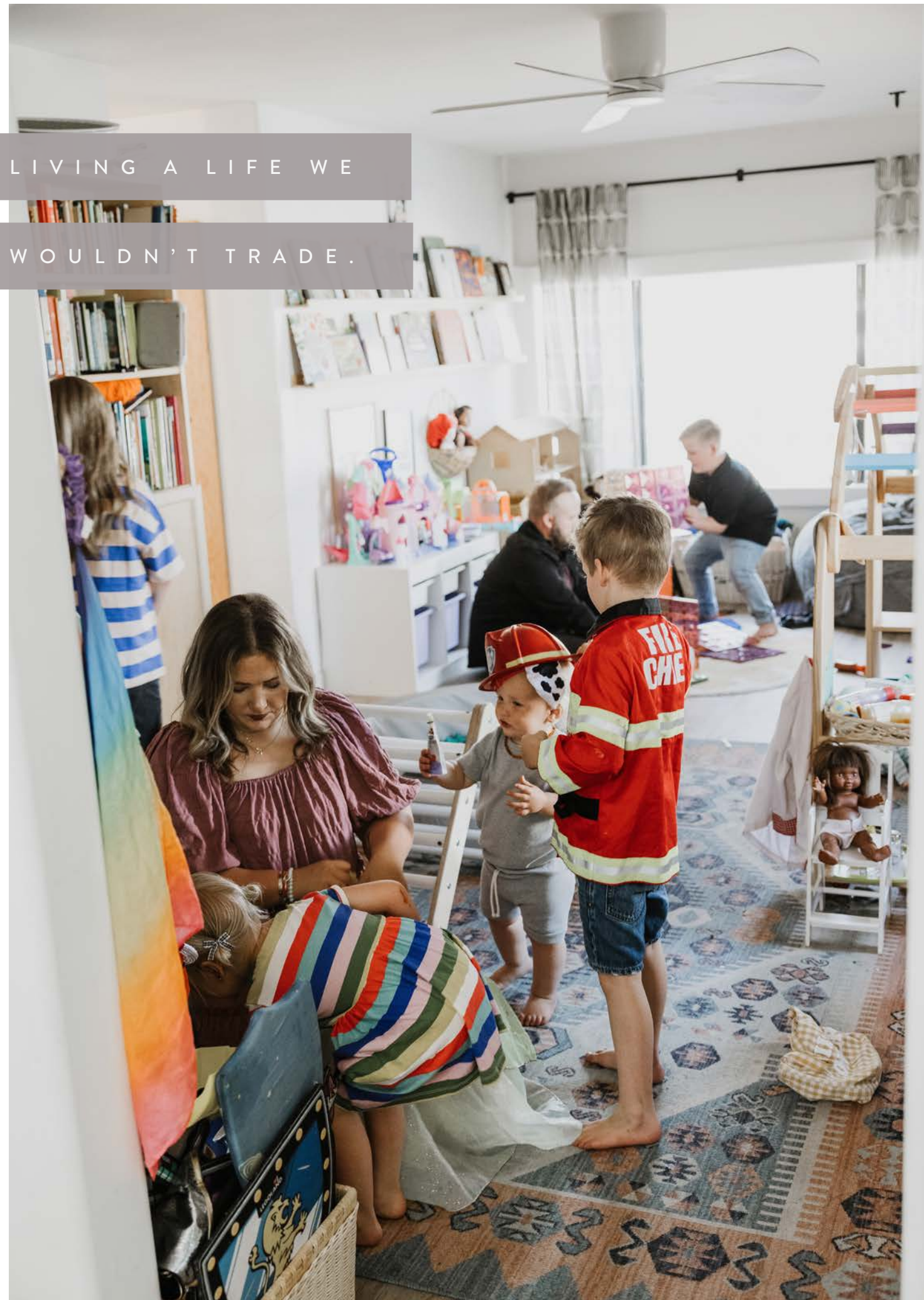


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LIVING A LIFE WE

WOULDN'T TRADE.

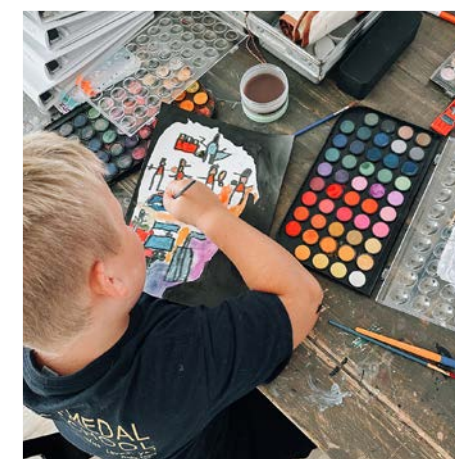
IN OUR EYES, A GOOD LIFE
IS A SIMPLE ONE—FOCUSED
ON WHAT TRULY MATTERS.

Some things we enjoy almost every day:

- Our days are filled with music, laughter, and connection. Mornings start in the kitchen with coffee, conversation, and breakfast orders for Jake.
- We spend afternoons running around outside and evenings around the table sharing meals and stories before winding down with books and snuggles.

A few of our regular favorites include:

- **Thursday “adventure days”** – whether to the zoo, park, or aquarium.
- **A Friday morning homeschool co-op** with our closest friends. The kids run around and play, we read books, and have a picnic lunch in the yard.
- **A kickoff to the weekend** with a Friday night movie and a Saturday breakfast.
- **Big holiday celebrations.** Christmas is filled with typical traditions and a sweet sibling gift exchange. Thanksgiving is a full week of cooking and family time. Halloween includes trunk-or-treating and a fun orange-themed dinner.
- **Birthdays turned into full-on birthday weeks!** They start with a donut tower and singing and end with Nana’s home-made cake and lots of family fun.



LOVE
FROM OUR
people



*The love that stands
by us at all times.*





THANK YOU AGAIN FOR TAKING THE TIME TO MEET US.

We know it's not possible to get "everything" from just a few pages in a profile, but we're praying for peace that surpasses understanding as you make your decision.

If given the chance to join you on this journey, we promise to...

1. **Love deeply**—both this child and you—with unwavering, lifelong commitment.
2. **Provide a home where** learning is personalized, passions are encouraged, and there's always someone to champion them along the way.
3. **Surround them with a strong and loving community** of family and friends who support, uplift, and walk alongside them through every season of life.
4. **Share the love of Jesus**, making faith a foundational part of their life and helping them find their worth in who God created them to be.
5. **Honor their roots and their story**, celebrating all that they are and weaving their unique identity into our fabric as a family.

We promise, too, that your child will always know you—whatever that may look like. Every time we share their story, we'll begin with you: your love, your courage, and your hopes for them. We will speak of you often, with deep gratitude and love, and always make space for you in both our lives and theirs. We are committed to respecting your wishes and honoring our promises. We will care for you and follow your lead as we learn and grow together.

We're praying for you and whatever comes next, trusting that God will guide your steps. Your voice, your life, and your story matter, and in it all, we are here for you.

ALWAYS ON YOUR SIDE,

Jake and Rachel



for this child

ADOPTION PROFILE BOOKS