

Andrew AND Danielle





OUR NOTE

To You





WE WOULD LIKE TO SAY

Hello!

It is so good to “meet” you, although we hope that we can meet you in person soon! We are honored that you would even consider us for the privilege of being the adoptive parents of your child. We are sure that you have a wide range of emotions right now, including both joy and grief, and we just want to recognize how incredibly hard those two feelings are to hold together at the same time. There can be joy in knowing that your child could be matched with an adoptive family that will love and nurture them into a young man or woman who you will be proud of one day while also grieving the loss of being the parent who is raising them into that amazing young person.

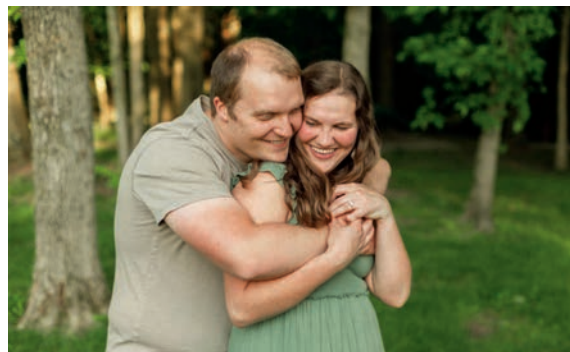
We want to recognize that these mixed feelings are incredibly hard to hold together and that we see YOU in this. We know that you have not come to this decision lightly and hope that you can have peace with your decision, whether it is through something we say, something you see in us, or just a gut feeling about us by opening our profile book. We want you to know that we see parenthood as one of the highest callings and would be honored to be chosen to be the parents of your child. We hope to raise your child to grow in their knowledge and love of the Lord and to understand and appreciate the love that we as adoptive parents and that their birth family has for them.

with love,

Andrew and Danielle

WHY WE CHOOSE

Adoption



We decided to grow our family through adoption after facing four miscarriages in just over a year. While we did not ever get to see or hold any of our babies, they changed our lives forever in that they gave us eyes, ears, and hearts to empathize with those that experience the difficulties of life. We believe that adoption does not replace any of these children that were lost from miscarriage, but we believe that adoption can redeem ours and your story. We will treat your child as we would any of our biological children, with so much love and respect because we believe every child is precious. Our minds and hearts grew during the year of infertility and miscarriage to the idea of growing our family through adoption. We have been affirmed by family and friends that we would make great parents because of the way that we have taken care of their children over the years. We decided to pursue adoption because it would be a dream come true for us to become parents!

We have started to get connected with families through church ministries who have grown or are growing their family through adoption. We intend to develop deep friendships with these families and hope to continue the bond of our blended families for years to come as we share stories, experiences, and parenting tips to raise our children. We also hope that this community can help our child realize that there are other children that are adopted to help them understand that they are not alone in this.



A LITTLE BIT ABOUT Our Love Story

August 2014

Went on our first date.

May 2017

Graduated high school and went to different colleges.

August 2020

Andrew proposed to Danielle at our first date spot.

June 2021

We got married!

August 2023 to August 2024

Suffered four miscarriages.

May 2025

Andrew graduated from medical school.

We met in our freshman year of high school and became good friends. We soon became a young couple, at sixteen years old! We would write letters to one another before time away at softball tournaments for Danielle or for the Governor's Scholars program for Andrew. We stayed together even while attending different colleges. While we were dating long distance for three years, Andrew wrote me a series of letters and in each letter, the first letter of the first word from all the letters eventually combined to spell, "Will You Marry Me?"

We got married right after we graduated college and moved away for Andrew to attend medical school. Our marriage has grown stronger every year we have together. We have been through multiple miscarriages and faced the death of Andrew's father in our four years of marriage. Walking through these difficult times together has been rough, but we believe we are a lot stronger because of what these life events caused us to face. These events taught us how to communicate, how to hold the emotions of joy and grief, and how to enjoy the little things together. We know that we will continue to face hard things in our lives, but we know we will face them together as a team.



OUR RELATIONSHIP

We love spending time together!

We enjoy spending time together and our best quality time is spent on walks around our neighborhood. Our daily walks are a time that we are able to discuss the events of that day, talk through any disagreements, confess things we are struggling with, or just laugh about fun memories we have had together. Walking together daily allows us to deeply connect and have no distractions, it enables us to really show intentionality and undivided attention to one another. If we aren't walking, you can find us doing something else active like playing pickleball or lifting weights at the gym. We are both former athletes and we love to compete whether that is against one another or together on a team against another couple!

Andrew

IN DANIELLE'S WORDS

Intentional

Hardworking

Easygoing



Andrew is a giant teddy bear. He is so big and strong on the outside, but on the inside he is such a tender hearted man; one of the kindest and most intentional men you will ever meet. It was his love for people that really drew me in. His compassion for others is so evident that his medical school recognized him as the "physician who demonstrates compassion and empathy in the care of patients" in an award that he received upon graduating among 200 fellow physicians. Andrew shows love through his actions, he listens when you speak, he remembers important details from conversations you have with him, and he will call you by name in public even if he hasn't seen you in years! We often joke when we go into public places that Andrew will run into someone he knows, no matter where we are he seems to find someone he has made a connection with in the past. When you talk with him he makes you feel seen, known, and loved.

I know that Andrew will be a great father. His steady leadership, his confidence in who he is, and his ability to listen unbelievably well will make him such a loving parent. He is also gifted in using his words to encourage and uplift others. I know he will do this for our future child every single day, because he does this for me. I am so unbelievably grateful for the husband and best friend God has given me in Andrew.



My Hobbies

- Weightlifting
- Pickleball
- Watching sports
(football, baseball, basketball)
- Cooking with Danielle
- Grilling food on our Blackstone

I look forward to making special memories with my children through shared activities with them. I have fond memories of joining my dad on Friday nights in the fall at high school football games on the sidelines as he was the team doctor and I was the waterboy. After each game, we would celebrate the end of the week by getting ice cream together. As a child, I always felt supported and encouraged to explore various activities to see what I gravitated towards including sports, band, quick recall, chess, and youth group at church. My mom always emphasized to my brother and I that she wanted us to be well rounded, and to do things that would enrich our minds, bodies, and spirits. I envision teaching our child how to cook an omelette (since that is my Sunday morning specialty), drive a car, and how to catch and throw a ball. I look forward to providing a stable, loving home for our future children.

I love my wife by making sure she feels known and seen. I try to be present with her when I get home from work, starting by showing my affection to her by greeting her with a hug and a kiss. I also give her my listening ears and undivided attention because I know that quality time is one of her top love languages, and I know that fully engaged time with me fills her cup.

My Occupation

I am a family medicine physician in my first year of residency training. My job involves caring for patients of all ages and stages, from birth until death. I enjoy getting a glimpse into the lives of my patients and the relationships that develop with them as their primary care physician. My job is very family friendly! There are thirty residents that are working together at any given time. In the last year, there were six residents who welcomed children to their homes while working in residency and the men got a minimum of two weeks for paternity leave.



Danielle

IN ANDREW'S WORDS

Reliable

Empathetic

Compassionate



Danielle is my best friend. Her faith is her utmost priority and everything she does flows from it. She thrives on intentional conversations. Danielle ultimately wants to know others and to be known. She is driven. When she is passionate about something, there is no stopping her from getting it done. She was the founder of the women's ministry at our church and helped oversee growth in the ministry. I love her laugh and smile, which are truly infectious. She is athletic and has the winning record in our pickleball matches. She enjoys being able to serve me and my needs at home as well as our friends and family, whether that be through cooking meals after a long day at work for me or for a meal train for a family in need, intentional Facetime calls with our nieces/nephews, or coordinating events for women to share testimonies and encourage one another in their faith journeys.

Ever since I met Danielle, I knew that she desired to be a mother. One of my first visits to her house was to babysit two young children of a family friend. She loves to be silly and dance and sing with kids. She is the best aunt to our nieces and nephews, who affectionately call her "D." She loves to chase them around the yard, teach them their letters, numbers, and colors, as well as a love for Kentucky basketball. There is a picture of Danielle holding our first nephew where they are both smiling back at one another and I can only imagine how much bigger her smile will be when she is holding our future child. She will be an incredible mother.

My Occupation

I am a certified public accountant and I serve as a tax supervisor for my company. I help to prepare and review business and individual tax returns for our clients. I work from home and have quite a bit of flexibility with my job. I am able to step away from my job to address personal matters and can make up work at any time of the day. I plan to work part time after adopting. I plan to take at least eight weeks off and when I go back to work, our families (both grandmothers) will help provide childcare on the days I work.



My Hobbies

- Sourdough baking
(cinnamon rolls, sandwich bread, and pizza crusts are my favorite)
- Going to local farmers markets
- Reading books
(memoirs of famous celebrities and inspirational life stories are my favorite)
- Anything with sports, friends, and outdoors
- Listening to music or podcasts

I look forward to expressing my love towards a child. Ever since I was a young girl, I have dreamed of caring for a child. I would play with baby dolls and pretend they were my children. I also babysat for families a lot growing up and oftentimes I would dream of the day I would get to care for my own child. I dream of going on walks with our children, taking them to a local park, cooking with them in the kitchen, and experiencing a new part of the world through travel. These are some of the fond memories I have with my family growing up and spending quality time with them. Growing up, I really appreciated that my parents allowed me to just be a child. I do not remember the weight of the world or anything pressing on my mind. I would do childlike things like play with dollhouses, run around outside playing a game I just made up, swim in my parents pool for hours, and play with friends. I pray that the child we raise can have the innocence, wonder, and playfulness of a child.

I best love and respect Andrew when I am patient and kind to him. Practicing patience in our marriage helps us both feel as though we are being given time and space to express concerns and opinions to each other. I show love to Andrew by caring for our home and creating a space that is welcoming and comfortable for him. I love to serve him by cooking meals with him or seeing his face light up when I make pancakes on Saturday morning.



The Important Things



A FEW OF OUR FAMILY VALUES

Faith is a huge part of our family and lives; we like to say that it impacts every part of our life. Some of the memories we share with our families are our parents reading Bible stories to us before bed and talking through the scriptures we were reading at church or together as a family. We want our child to come to know Jesus Christ as the Lord and Savior of their life. We believe that putting our faith in him leads to eternal life with all the hope and freedom we need to live our lives here on Earth.

We have been so blessed by an amazing church community that has become like our family. We believe we are meant to live in community with one another. We feel as though we can look to them for support and many of them have walked alongside us in very difficult seasons.

We enjoy spending quality time together and with friends. This time can be spent over a meal or watching a show together. We both feel most loved when we spend quality time with each other.

We are big sports fans and love to play sports ourselves. In the winter, you can find us watching basketball and cheering on the Kentucky Wildcats. In the spring, we watch softball since Danielle played in college and still loves to watch her sport. In the fall, we are constantly watching football whether that is college or professional football, it is on all weekend! You can also occasionally find us at a professional baseball or soccer game cheering on our local teams.

We have learned through challenging seasons in our life that joy and grief can coexist. We can experience joy and happiness over an event in our life and at the same time experience grief that it looks a particular way. Understanding that joy and grief are emotions that we can experience together has allowed us to process really difficult parts of our story and also allows us to empathize with others in their own suffering.



Days Together

We spend our evenings with a homemade meal, a walk around the neighborhood, and typically watching an episode of Survivor, Amazing Race, or some sports! We love to catch up on our day together and laugh and relax while watching a good show. Every other Tuesday we attend a Bible study through our church and on those nights we tend to find ourselves on the couch talking through what we learned and what we thought of the group discussion.

We have traveled all over the United States. Danielle has traveled to 32 states and Andrew has traveled to 28 states! We really enjoy seeing different parts of the country, especially national parks. We have traveled from coast to coast, visited Maine together, and even explored Alaska and Hawaii! We try to take an annual vacation to celebrate another year of life and to enjoy quality time away with each other.

Some years we take vacations with our extended families! We have traveled to Utah with Danielle's parents and to Maine with Andrew's parents and brother and sister-in-law. We most recently visited Italy and Greece to celebrate Andrew's graduation from medical school and it was our first time out of the country together. We hope to continue traveling more in the years to come!



WELCOME TO

Our Home



Our home is a bi-level house with three bedrooms and two and a half bathrooms on a roomy corner lot in a walkable neighborhood. We absolutely love our back porch that overlooks our yard and is perfect for enjoying a meal together outside, starting a morning off right with a sunrise, or ending the day with a sunset. We also have a firepit where we have friends over to enjoy s'mores and quality time around the fire. We love the outdoors and our yard allows us to really enjoy spending time in nature. Our home has all of the bedrooms on the top floor and the basement is wide open with a cozy fireplace and good space for a play area.

We have lived in Kentucky our whole lives and will continue to live here. We love that our town is right by a big city so if we want to go do something fun in the city it is close by! We have a great zoo, aquarium, and great parks that we have taken our nieces and nephews to and they love them. Our area also has great school districts, some of the best in the state! One of Danielle's favorite parts about our community is the Farmer's Markets. We have many great local farms that we enjoy supporting as well.



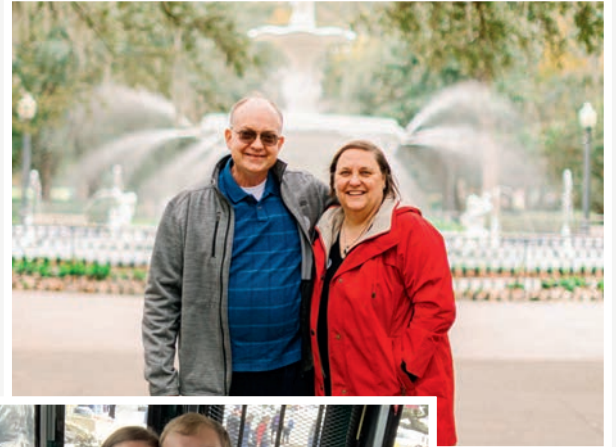
Danielle's Family



All of my extended family lives an hour and a half away from us. I have an older sister, Mackenzie. She and her husband, Dylan, have two children; Nolan is two and Lucy is just a few months old. I also have a younger brother, Isaiah. He and his wife, Sydney, also have two children; Charlotte is two and Ezra is ten months old. My parents go by Gma and Papa and they live near both of my siblings.



Andrew's Family



My mom lives an hour and a half away from us, about ten minutes from Danielle's parents. My father recently passed away. I have an older brother, Chris, and he is married to my sister-in-law, Lainie. Chris and Lainie do not have any children. They live in St. Louis. We all gather at Mom's for Christmas and have occasionally gone on trips for family vacations.

We try to visit our families at least once a month. We are close to both of our families and talk with them weekly if we are not in town visiting. When we visit, we typically spend one day with Andrew's side of the family and the other day with Danielle's side of the family. Both of our families are very supportive of our decision to grow our family through adoption and are excited to welcome this child into our family. They will be loved by so many!



Our Traditions

We have a weekly tradition that we absolutely adore. Growing up, Danielle's mom made pancakes on Saturday mornings, and it is a fond memory for her. Her mom still makes pancakes for us on Saturdays when we visit. We have carried this tradition to our family and we now make pancakes on Saturday mornings, a treat we look forward to all week!

For birthdays, we like to celebrate at a local restaurant and enjoy a dinner out of the house! We both really enjoy ice cream and we have a great local ice cream shop so if we are celebrating just about anything or sometimes nothing at all, you can find us there with a scoop of Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough and Double Chocolate Brownie in our hands.

We look forward to creating new traditions when we add to our family. We hope to celebrate small and big milestones. We want our child to feel seen, known, and loved and sometimes that is going to be over a scoop of ice cream or at a local restaurant with their favorite food in front of them!



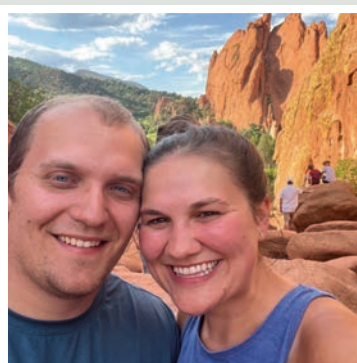
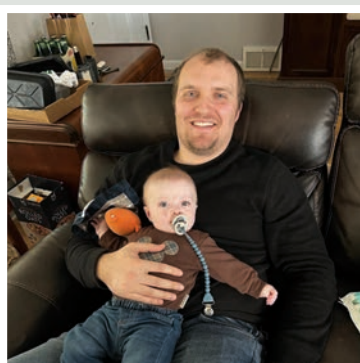


LOOKING AHEAD

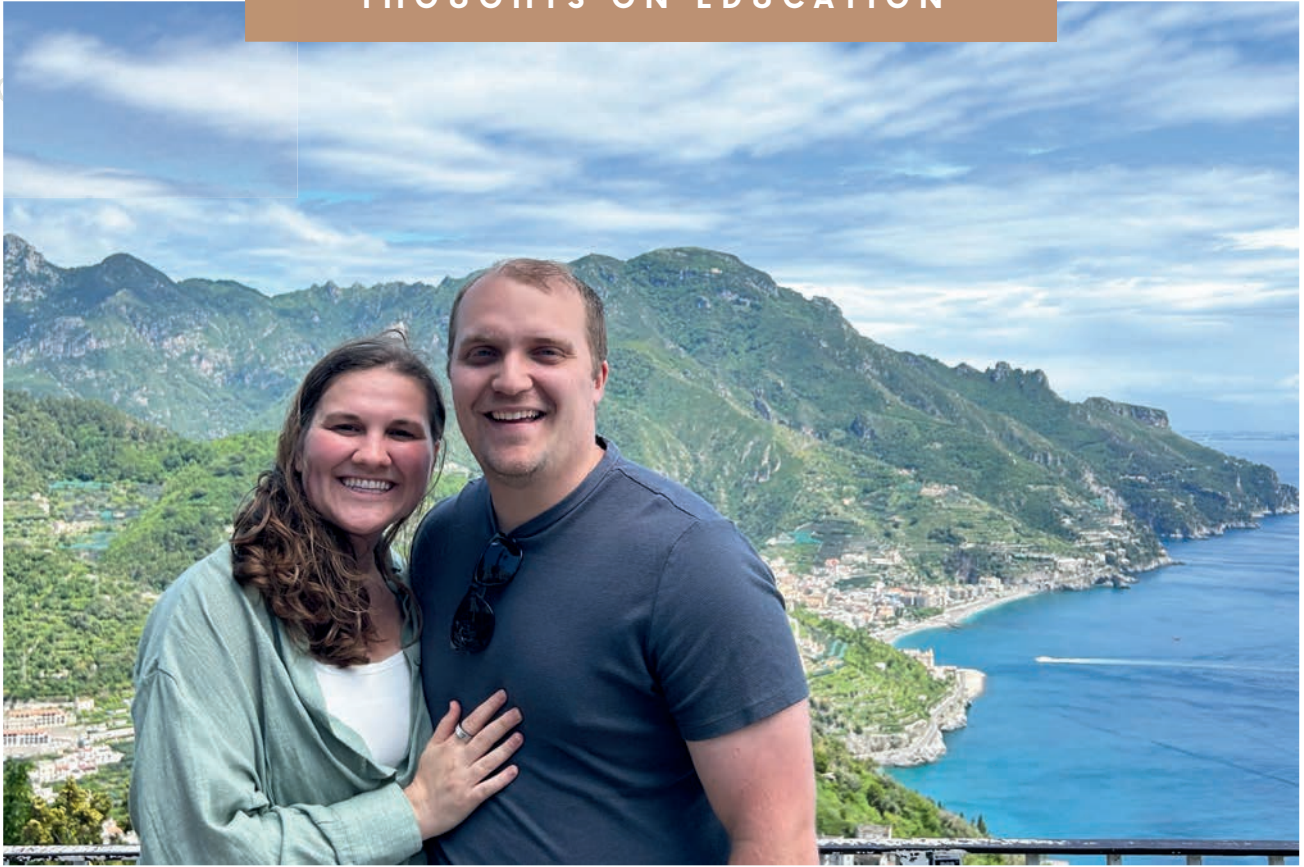
Thoughts on Our Future

We are so excited for what the future holds and cannot wait to share our life with children!

We have lived in the area for four years and we hope to stay here long term. We have a great church community and both of our jobs are local. We have chosen to live close to Andrew's work and our church because we love the area and it is very convenient! **We do hope to continue to grow our family, we hope to have multiple children in our home.** We both grew up with at least one sibling and we desire this for our children. We feel that it was nice to grow up with a sibling who is close in age so that they could enjoy activities together and have a special bond.



THOUGHTS ON EDUCATION

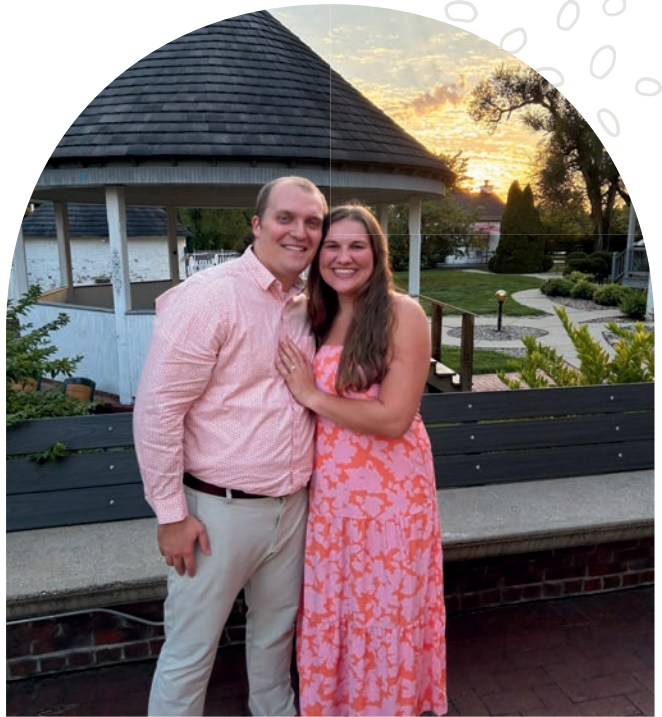


We both grew up in a public school, and enjoyed our experiences. We received a great education and also got to be involved in sports and other activities that a big school offered. We intend to send our child to a school that best fits their needs, whether that is public school or a private Christian school. We believe that the education experience is different for everyone and we want our child to be best supported in their needs. We both received college degrees and Andrew received a doctorate degree, so we will encourage our child to attend college if they desire to. If they do not desire to attend college, we will support them in the path that they want to take. Our goal for education or career seeking after high school is that they pursue something that would allow them to financially support themselves in the future.





*A deeper
look at*



OUR HEARTS FOR YOU + YOUR CHILD

We want your child to know who you are and where they came from and we plan to do this by placing a photo of you with them by their bedside so that you are always near to them. We also plan to have a puzzle that we put together for you and your child to keep as a common bond between you two that only you all will share. We hope to honor their culture by celebrating culturally significant holidays and helping them to find mentors of the same race/ethnicity if applicable. We want them to feel confident in the family that they are being raised in as well as the heritage from which they came from. While we know that finding this balance will be challenging, we want to prioritize this component in helping our child form their identity as they grow up.

- *We promise to always honor you in how we talk to your child about you.*
- *We promise to teach your child to love sports and the Kentucky Wildcats.*
- *We promise to teach your child about Jesus and the love He has for them.*
- *We promise to make your child pancakes on Saturday mornings.*
- *We promise to remind your child that they are seen, known, and loved.*
- *We promise to pray for you daily.*

I want you to know that I recognize the decision you are considering is not one that you are taking lightly and without doubt and fear. I hope that I can put your mind at ease and help you feel comfort and peace about entrusting your child in the care of another family. I promise to love your child unconditionally, being quick to listen to them and their needs, and slow to speak. I promise to do my very best to honor you and allow your child to have space in their heart for both their biological and adoptive families. My goal is to be the best representation of an earthly father as possible, so they can come to know and love their Heavenly Father later in life. - Andrew



I have so much respect for you, a woman who has carried and loved your child so selflessly. You are choosing to provide life for your child, and I admire your strength and sacrifice. I want to acknowledge that your choice to consider adoption is incredibly difficult and I know you have not come to this decision easily. I promise to love your child unconditionally, with so much compassion and patience. I promise to speak about you with the utmost respect and honor. I desire for your child to admire and love you. I promise that your child will be seen, known, and deeply loved. - Danielle

Before You Go





THANK YOU

Whew, we are sure that was a whirlwind for you to read through, and will be a lot for you to sit and think about in the coming days and weeks. We hope and pray that some part of our story, our plans for your child, our heart for you, or anything else in this book stands out to you and that you are filled with a peace and comfort that passes all understanding as you decide who to entrust your child to. We know that you have not come to this decision lightly and even the fact that you are taking on the challenge of reading profile books to try to determine your child's future family shows how much you care for your baby. We hope that we can meet you in person soon and would love to stay connected with you so that you can see your child grow.

We commit to praying for you daily. We also commit to whatever the level of openness that you desire and include in your adoption plan. We recognize that time and travel can limit opportunities for in-person visits, but we would like to discuss ways to work around these barriers to create ways for you and your child to connect. We would be honored to blend our family with yours as we welcome your child to our family!

love,

Andrew and Danielle



