

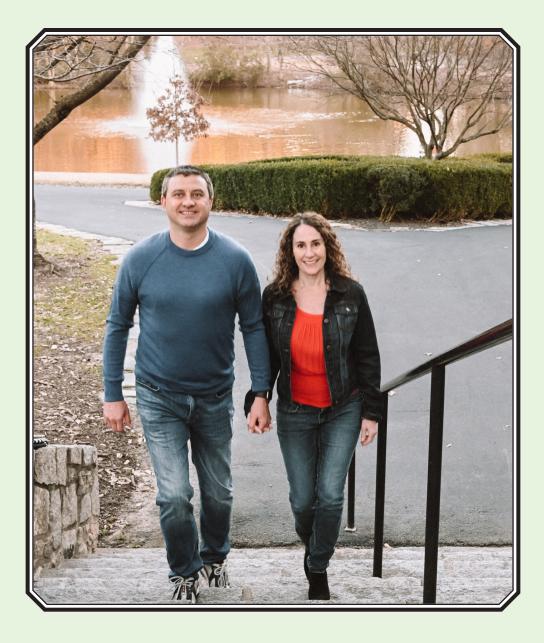
Hello! Thank you so much for taking the time to learn about us as your child's potential adoptive parents. Your courage and strength are unmeasurable! We cannot imagine the feelings you are experiencing and offer our sincere support. The foundation of our life together is built around the love of our very supportive families. We have been unsuccessful for years in trying to conceive a baby. Knowing how much we have to give a child and wanting to raise a child together led our hearts to adoption, which is a true blessing. We would like to give you a glimpse of how much love, laughter, encouragement, and stability we have to provide for a baby. We want to honor and respect you always. However you choose to be involved, you will always be a significant part of their story as they grow up. We cannot wait to meet you!



### About

Todd and I met at a local restaurant in 2014, and instantly connected with each other. We were friends for awhile, and then our relationship grew into more. After dating for almost three years, Todd proposed in 2017. We were married six months later with our closest family and friends. We share many of the same interests and goals. For both of us, family is one of the most important things in our lives. We cannot wait to welcome a new member to our family!





After trying to conceive and being unsuccessful for years, our hearts led us to embark upon our adoption journey. We both consider adoption a true blessing. We long to share our traditions and love of life with a child and allow them a chance to grow up in a nurturing home filled with joy, choices, and many opportunities.

#### Meet Jen



Jennifer's outgoing and compassionate personality makes it hard not to love her from the moment you meet her. She personifies strength and radiates joy as she lives her life striving not only do her best, but help others be the best versions of themselves. These endearing qualities make Jennifer the perfect public school counselor. Her compassion and empathy allow her to have a major impact in the lives of her students. She possesses the expertise, skill, and most of all love to help students navigate through life. She holds a strong work ethic and values education which shines through each and every day she walks into her school.



Jenn values a healthy lifestyle and knows the importance of staying active. She advocates for taking care of yourself emotionally as well as physically, and you will often find her enjoying yoga or on a Peloton ride. She loves trying new recipes and always open to experiencing new places. Jennifer truly makes our house a home and has built an amazing life for us. She lives by example modeling the behaviors she truly values and any future child may see a true example of a strong, successful, and very caring person.

#### Meet Todd



Todd possesses an outgoing, energetic personality and knows how to connect with people making them feel relaxed and welcomed from their first interactions. His ability to bring joy and positivity to others represents two of his most notable qualities. He loves life and genuinely cares about people, especially his family. Todd's work ethic a has benefitted his career and created financial stability for his family. He holds the title of senior project manager at a large utility company. While incredibly driven in his career, he knows the importance of balancing work and home life. His own father provides a great role model for him. Todd possesses this same dedication in his relationship with Grahme and Emerson.



Todd possesses a competitive nature and knows the value of maintaining a healthy lifestyle. He enjoys being outdoors and stays physically active by playing golf, running, and working out. Todd has always been a hands-on, involved parent. When he has his twins, he finds ways to balance fun with responsibility. He has a special way of turning household chores into a fun game and, when needed, disciplines in a firm, but positive and caring manner. He loves to be surrounded by family and treasures vacations, especially to the beach. Being a parent to a new child would be a wonderful opportunity to share his loving nature.

#### As Parents



We hope to...

- Provide a safe and stable home
- Encourage our child to dream big
- Be good listeners for our child
- Provide teaching moments for our child
- Make memories and expose them to many different things the world has to offer
- Be our child's biggest cheerleader

## Traditions

We value each other's faith and take the time to learn about each other's traditions. The holidays provide an excellent opportunity for our blended families to bring to life many family traditions and learn about our different backgrounds. For example, we like to bake cookies and other family recipes, decorate the tree, go ice skating and play favorite family games. On Thanksgiving, we participate in the local Turkey Trot 5k as a family, a tradition we have done for years. We strive to celebrate everything that makes our family special and want our home to be a warm, safe place where each of us can communicate freely.





### **Our Blended Family**



Meet Emerson and Grahme! Todd has eleven-year-old twins from a previous marriage. They live with their mom in Alabama, and we make it a point to spend quality time with them on many weekends, holidays, and during the summer. We also face time with them daily to see how things are going in their lives. They thnk it will be so much fun to have a new brother or sister! Todd's twins have wonderful yet different personalities.

Emerson is competitive, athletic, and loves playing on her softball team. She is on the running club at school and loves animals, especially dogs. She hopes to be a vet one day.





Grahme likes playing video games and building things with his hands. Like his sister, he likes sports, especially basketball and throwing the football around with Todd.

# **Our Family**

We are fortunate to have incredible families. Jenn's parents have been married for fifty years, and Todd's parents have been married for twenty years.





Both are amazing examples of marriage, and we draw strength from them. They are accepting, loving, and beyond excited for us to adopt! Each member of our family is excited to be on our adoption journey.



We both have one sister. Jenn has a younger sister, Lisa, who works as a speech pathologist. Todd's sister, Ashley, teaches math at the university level and is married with four children. Our sisters play a huge role in our lives and will make terrific aunts who will teach, support and love a child.

Our family is warm, loving, and accepting which fosters an atmosphere of stability and will allow any child to reach their potential. We communicate daily and spend time together frequently. We are so excited to share our family traditions and create all kinds of new memories.



### Our Home



We live in a cozy condo on the sixth floor of a high-rise building nestled in a quiet cul-de-sac surrounded by parks, trails, playgrounds, and restaurants. When the weather gets warm, we like to pack a picnic and try out different spots.

We have a beautiful pool that we enjoy using during the summer. The condo has fun family events throughout the year like cookies with Santa, ice cream pool parties, and movie nights.



Our neighborhood is located near one of the best school systems in the state with one of the top elementary schools in our city. We love living here because of the neighborhood feel and the ability to walk to so many things. There are museums, interactive exhibits, dog parks, art galleries, and historical sites. There is also a zoo



and one of the largest aquariums in the world withing a short distance. Todd and I cannot wait to share these fun experiences with a new child.



### Adventures

It is always an adventure with us! We strive to live a life filled with happiness. Traveling to warm places, like the beach is one of our favorite things to do. We love being on the water whether it is on a boat or relaxing building sand castles. You can find us being active outside playing golf, riding bikes, and going for long walks on Saturday mornings. We like to listen to all kinds of music and have our occasional dances in the kitchen while cooking. Our common love for sports has us attending different sporting events when given the opportunity. We hope to share all of these experiences and create new ones with a child.









#### Our Commitment To You...



Thank you so much for taking the time to invest in learning about us. We hope you now have a glimpse of the life and home that we desire to share with a child. We know adoption is the blessing that will grow our family. We also understand that this is a difficult process. We would love the opportunity to learn more about you. We know that you will find a warm, loving home for your child whether it is with our family or another family. From the bottom of our hearts, we thank you for considering us as potential parents for your child.

Todd & Jenn