

Dear Expectant Parent(s),

We are so thankful for your willingness to read our profile. Thank you for your incredible strength and courage in considering adoption. We are John & Allie and we have one daughter named Florence who is two and a half years old. We adopted Florence and welcomed her into our family just after she was born and we cannot imagine life without her. We are extremely grateful and have already experienced the blessing and gift of adoption.



Due to a benign tumor discovered in John's brain on his pituitary gland when he was a child, we are unable to have biological children. We've discussed and wanted to adopt since the beginning of our marriage and are blessed to have made it this far in our adoption journey.

John and I (Allie) met when we both graduated college, moved to Montana, and did some volunteer work just off an Indian reservation in the state. John moved from Nebraska and myself from Rhode Island, so it was quite the culture shock to move to rural Montana! We both worked at the local school and got to know one another well by attending the high school basketball games, going for hikes, and trying to find other fun things to do in such a small town! We are both thankful for that season of life we got to experience with people who welcomed us into a new community. We fostered a strong friendship before transitioning to dating and eventually marriage! We



have been married for almost seven years now. Before adopting Florence, John and I were both math and science teachers to 7th-12th graders at the same school. John is still teaching while I transitioned to staying at home full time with our daughter. John and I both enjoy working with students/children and watching them grow in their knowledge of math, science, and so many other skills. Being a teacher and now parents has been rewarding and honorable roles we are both blessed to have.

While John works during the week, you can find Florence and I going for walks or jogs and ending up at our neighborhood park located a few blocks from our home. My parents also just relocated to the same town as us so we frequent visiting them

during the day as well. As a family we like to go for bike rides, hikes, and out on the golf course. John also referees high school basketball that Florence and I enjoy attending and watching. We also love to be at home together and spend time with Florence doing her current favorite activities which include coloring, hide and seek, and playing pretend.

We have always known that adoption was our path towards parenthood and growing our family. We've been praying for children and are grateful we have the opportunity to adopt again. We look forward to transitioning to a family of four and watching Florence become a big sister! We've enjoyed seeing the gift of life in Florence and watching her grow, learn, and flourish. We are honored to call ourselves parents and have the opportunity to play a pivotal role in raising a child.

If you are thinking of making an open adoption plan, we would be so grateful to be considered part of it. We are open to being connected with a child's birth parents and their extended families to include exchanging photos, updates and visits as well as sharing in special moments of the child's life. We will respect your wishes in regards to openness and hope to come up with a plan that works well for everyone.

Thank you again for taking the time to read about us. We are grateful for you.



- John, Allie & Florence