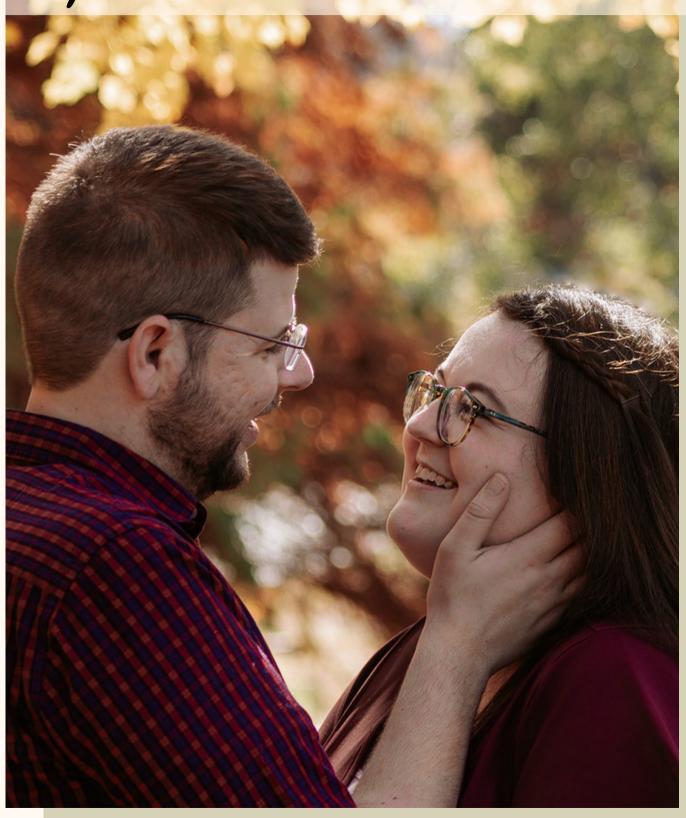
# Jeremiah & Elizabeth





## HELLO



Dear Mama,

We are Jeremiah and Elizabeth. We would like to begin by thanking you for considering us as you plan a future for your precious little one! More than anything, we want you to feel the immense love that God has for you. You are so brave, strong, and full of love. We know this must be a difficult decision but know that we are here to encourage, support, and honor you. We are praying for you and your baby. May you be filled with the love and peace only God can give!

We promise to provide your child with a loving home and to raise them to love Jesus. We will teach them to value compassion, mercy, and humility. We believe in doing life together and an abundant life in Christ is meant to be done in community. Your child will be surrounded by an incredible community to love and support them all the days of their life.

We hope as you look through our photo album that you will see a true glimpse of what life will be like for your baby. Our home is full of love, laughter, games, and the two most adorable cats. Regardless of what you choose for you and your little one, know that we are right here to support you!

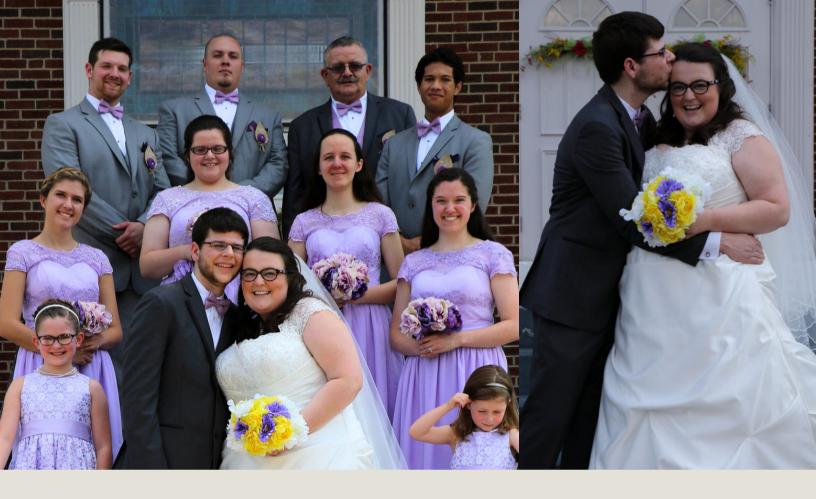
With all our love,

Jeremiah & Elizabeth



#### WHERE OUR STORY BEGAN

We met in a prayer group in college and became quick friends. Elizabeth is very extroverted, while Jeremiah is very introverted. The saying is true that opposites attract. We balance each other and challenge each other to be better than we could on our own. We were friends for several years and slowly began to realize that this friendship was leading to something more. Because we knew each other so well, once we officially started dating, it did not take us long to realize marriage was on the horizon. God brought us together, and we are so thankful our friendship became the foundation for our love. What a gift it is to have your soulmate and true love also be your greatest and dearest friend. It is wonderful to be fully seen and fully loved.



## OUR WEDDING DAY

Our wedding day was more amazing than we could have ever dreamed. We were surrounded by our family and friends. To put it simply, it felt magical. One special part of our ceremony was singing our favorite hymn to each other before our vows. Our ceremony was filled with sweet worship and we will cherish the memory forever.

One of my very dearest memories is what Jeremiah did for me during our wedding reception. My grandmother and I were incredibly close as she and my grandfather essentially helped raise me. Unfortunately, my grandmother passed away about a year before our wedding day. I was completely surprised when I heard Jeremiah announce that the upcoming song would be dedicated to her. He said that this song would be in her memory and for all of our loved ones who were no longer with us for this special day. Tears of joy and thankfulness ran down my face. I had known for quite some time Jeremiah was my soul mate but this solidified it to an even greater extent.



Both of us knew that adoption was something God had in store for us before we ever met each other. Once we started describing what our "ideal" family looked like as we prepared for marriage, we were thrilled that adoption was in both our hearts. When we reflect on the love God has for us as His adopted children, our most natural reaction is to extend that love in adoption as well.

# Mee JEREMIAH







#### Through Elizabeth's eyes

Jeremiah is the most kind and genuine person you will ever meet. He always sees the best in people and makes people feel truly seen when he talks to them. One of the things that first drew me to him is how he treats everyone with respect rather than just those who could benefit him. No one can make me laugh or smile like Jeremiah can. His laugh is the best sound you could ever hear! He loves to play strategic board games and model railroading. He is more quiet by nature but once he knows you, really opens up and is so silly! I absolutely adore his silly side. He is not one for small talk but loves meaningful conversation and quality time with friends. A good cup of coffee and a board game are some of his very favorite things.

He is an imaging service engineer, and the company he works for is contracted with one of our local hospitals. It is so nice that he works right down the road from where we live. I am so thankful for how he prioritizes work and family balance! He is truly a great partner in so many ways. After a long day at work, he helps me make sure that everything at home still gets done. There aren't enough words to truly capture who he is but the most important I can think of are: safe, loving, genuine, and trustworthy. I am so thankful for his heart!

## Weet ELIZABETH





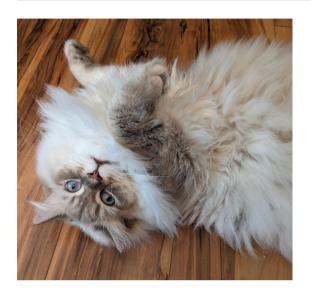


#### Through Jeremiah's eyes

Elizabeth is the kindest and most warm-hearted person I've ever known. We complement each other in that she is more outgoing and bubbly than my more reserved, introverted personality. She has a laugh that is instantly recognizable and lights up a room every time. Elizabeth also loves very deeply and is fiercely protective of those she cares about. Before we began dating, this was one of the things that drew me to her. She always made me feel safe to be fully vulnerable with her. These are also the characteristics that make me know she will be an amazing mother.

Elizabeth's favorite activities often involve quality time with family and friends. She always loves gathering around the table with others or going out for tea or ice cream. We both love playing games together and also with our friends. When she's not spending time with friends and family, she is cozying up with one of our cats and reading a good book. Elizabeth has always worked with kids and is currently the administrative assistant at a daycare center. She enjoys getting to interact with all of the children and helping care for the infants at the center.

#### OUR FURRY FRIENDS









We have two of the sweetest cats that God ever made. Their names are Chai and Mila. They are Siberian cats and we chose them because they are hypoallergenic and Jeremiah has a cat allergy. They are so funny and affectionate. In many ways, they remind us of dogs. They greet us at the door, play fetch, let us hold them like babies, and come when called. They love being petted or held. We know they will make great "older siblings" for their new baby brother or sister.















Some of our favorite ways to relax on the weekend include watching movies, reading books, playing board games, and exploring the city with friends. We love it when the fair comes to town or when we have the opportunity to go to our local team's hockey games! Spending quality time with each other and with those closest to us is what we choose to prioritize every week.

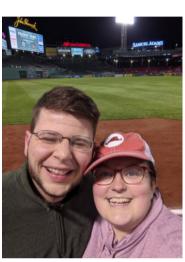
## TRAVELS & GETAWAYS

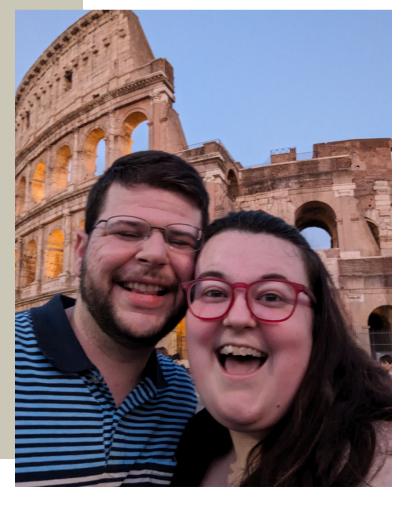
We absolutely love traveling and exploring. This is something we want to prioritize for our family, and we can't wait for your child to join us on these trips! Many of Jeremiah's family members live in New York, and we will make at least one annual trip up there. We also love exploring the outdoors and traveling to new cities. Last year, we were blessed to take our first international trip together to Italy! While we will not get to do international trips frequently, we would love to one day make another international trip happen. Next time with a little one!











## JEREMIAH'S

My family is a bit more spread out than Elizabeth's. My immediate family, including my dad, stepmom, and sister, live in South Carolina. We usually see each other for a weekend trip at least once every two to three months. We often spend our time together visiting and playing with my parent's five cats. We also play board games together. Our favorite is Ticket to Ride.

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Most of my family lives in upstate New York. I grew up especially close to my mom's family. My grandparents, aunt, and uncle helped raise my sister and me when my parents had difficulty doing so. Both my sister and I became close with our two cousins, who are now more like sisters than cousins. My grandparents also had a cabin in the mountains where we would spend our summers together. My wife and I do our best to go up and visit everyone, especially my mom and grandmother, at least once a year. My dad's side of the family also lives in a different area of upstate New York. We also try to see them during the same visit.











## ELIZABETH'S family











I have a very large extended family, and everyone is quite spread out. We are very thankful that my parents only live about 15 minutes away from us! They are very excited about meeting your baby and getting to spoil them. I talk to my parents several times each week and we get to spend quality time with them several times a month. Jeremiah and I love playing Spades with them after having dinner around the table.

I have three brothers. Two are my half-brothers, and one is my step-brother. There is quite an age gap between my brothers and me. My youngest brother was 18 when I was born. What is super special is that one of my brothers has a daughter only 6 months younger than me. I don't always get to see my brothers as often as I would like but we are trying to see each other much more frequently.

I am also very close to several of my cousins who feel like siblings. Whenever I get to hang out with my family, I consider it a great day. I was raised to prioritize time with family, and I cherish that to this day. We are so blessed that all of my family members are eagerly awaiting the arrival of your baby! Having their support means the world.

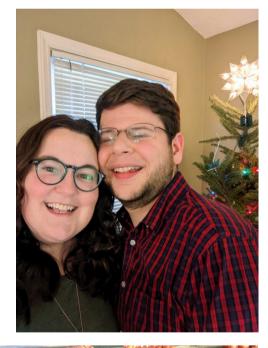
#### TRADITIONS & HOLIDAYS

Our family has many traditions and holidays that we love to celebrate. Each fall, we love to take a trip to the mountains to pick apples and have apple cider doughnuts. We also enjoy picking pumpkins every year for decoration and carving.

Our favorite holiday is Christmas. We love the season of Advent as we reflect on how Jesus came into the world to redeem us and we are reminded that He will come again. Our church has an annual celebration that we call our Advent Party. We make advent wreaths, have hot chocolate, decorate ornaments, and take silly photos with props. There is something for every age group!











# Friends we call family













We could not have asked for better friends or a more supportive community. We have a few close-knit friends that we have known for over 10 years. It is so special to remain so close to these dear people. They feel like the family we chose and we are so thankful for them. We love getting to spend quality time with them. This often includes playing games, trying new restaurants and wineries, as well as just chatting at the end of a long day.

We are also very grateful for our church family. We are blessed to be a part of a great small group and have made sweet friendships there. They have supported us through words of encouragement, a listening ear, prayers, and monetary support as we navigate our journey of adoption. Several church members and friends also have adopted children. Knowing our child will have that kind of support network is incredible.

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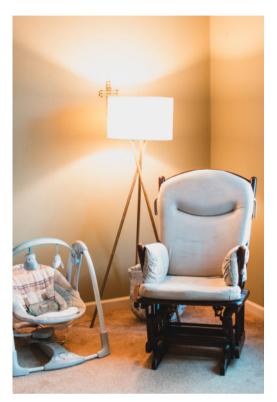






Our home is a townhome nestled in a great community. We have a neighborhood pool within walking distance from our home and woods fairly close by. We do not have a large yard but are very close to local parks. We can't wait to explore and play with your little one. We are so blessed to be near our friends and family! Our home is centrally located to where we can be anywhere we would like in the city within 15 minutes.

## THE NURSERY









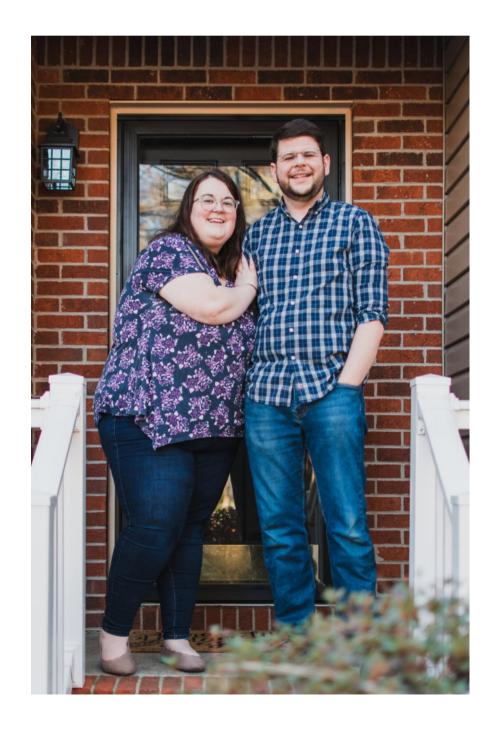


Our nursery's theme is safari animals. Elizabeth absolutely loves elephants, and you will see several scattered throughout the room. The walls are a calming green with other neutral colors throughout. We feel it would be perfect for a girl or a boy. Many of the furniture pieces in the room have a family history or were given to us by very dear friends. Knowing that your baby will be an extension of that history is so sweet. We have prayed many times for you and your baby in this room!

In this family, we believe...

that God is our Redeemer. All who come to Him will always find rest. God is faithful to all generations.

We prioritize loving one another, delighting in showing mercy and being humble. We could never deserve the love, forgiveness, and righteousness that God richly bestows on all who call upon Him. When we remember the grace and mercy God has shown us, it becomes easy to extend that to others. Whenever we wrong each other, we admit it and ask forgiveness. There is no record of wrongs here.



## OUR SENTIMENTS

Thank you again for taking the time to learn more about our family and looking over our photo album. We hope you caught a glimpse of what it would be like for your child to join our family! We hope you feel our love for you as well. We want nothing but the best for you and your baby. You are both in our hearts already, and we are praying for the two of you!

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