



JONATHAN *and* **EMYLEE**

DEAR LOVING BIRTH MAMA,

We truly appreciate you taking the time to read our profile and getting to know us a little bit. We have no idea what you are going through with so many thoughts and emotions as you make such a difficult decision. We want you to know that we have the utmost respect, empathy, and admiration for you. Your love for your baby is apparent, and we are deeply moved by your willingness to consider us as adoptive parents for your sweet baby.

Should you choose our family for your child, you have our promise to give your child a safe, fun, loving, and nurturing home to grow up in. We are tenderly looking forward to creating many memories and new traditions with them, taking them on trips and vacations, and spending time with their cousins and friends. We have been praying for this baby before they were created!

Our home is a place where family is cherished and valued. We are blessed with love and support as we are surrounded by family members and friends who look forward to sharing love, traditions, and celebrations with your sweet baby as well.

Thank you once again for considering us. We admire your strength and courage. Should you choose us as adoptive parents, we promise to honor and cherish the trust you place in us and to provide a lifetime of love, stability, and opportunity for your baby.

JONATHAN & EMYLEE





ABOUT US

Our journey began about 10 years ago when we met in college! We spent a couple of years building the foundation of a sweet friendship together. After graduating, we started dating long distance for 1.5 years and then Jonathan popped the question! After we got engaged, we moved to the same town and got married a year later. We've been married for 5 years and have had so much fun building our life together!

We love hanging out together and just being best friends. When we're home, we love cooking/baking, playing board games, watching movies, and completing house projects together.

If we aren't at home, we are most likely at church or hanging out with church friends. Our faith is foundational to who we are. We have a lifestyle that revolves around Jesus as our center. We spend more than just Sundays at church and have built an incredibly loving and supportive community at our (Christian Non-Denominational) church.

One of our favorite family traditions is celebrating Christmas. We love to put the decorations up early and take them down late! We regularly enjoy exploring new coffee shops and have never been known to turn away tacos. Something we really enjoy doing together is traveling! Our favorite spot is usually the beach, but we have built many memories across the USA and even in other countries! We often find ourselves looking forward to the future when we will be able to bring our kids with us on our adventures.



GET TO KNOW JONATHAN

Jonathan is a Children's Pastor and Sports Director at our church! In Jonathan's free time he is usually working on his next woodworking project, either for the house or a gift for someone. Jonathan also loves fishing, hunting, working on cars, and he's a great cook! He is a big Star Wars and Lord of The Rings fan. Others describe Jonathan as "a strong leader, problem-solver, kind, patient, joyful, and generous."

"Jonathan is gifted at being fun and energetic with children. He is willing to go the extra mile by playing games that include all sorts of physical abilities; a friendly challenge is a YES from Jonathan. He builds trust with children as they lovingly learn and listen from a Pastor/ leader who plays with them and more so, cares about them."

– Jake & Brittany



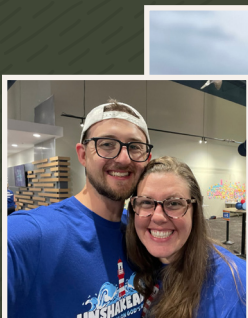
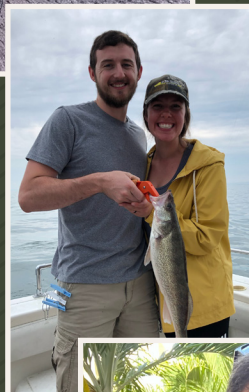
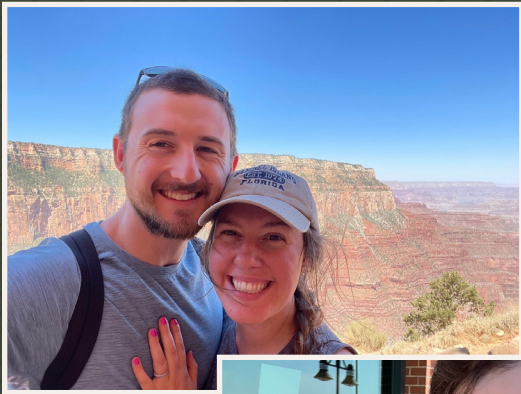
GET TO KNOW EMYLEE

Emylee is a Chiropractor with a prenatal/ pediatric focus. She loves helping people of all ages experience physical healing and is passionate about holistic health. In Emylee's free time, she enjoys reading, volunteering at church and leading Bible study, drinking coffee, and planning the next project for Jonathan to build! Others describe Emylee as "compassionate, nurturing, motivated, relatable, responsible, and loyal."

"Emylee will go out of her way to help children feel safe and comfortable. She invites simple conversation and finds 'common ground' to relate to the child. This allows the child to feel seen and heard and more so, loved. I adore watching both Jonathan and Emylee interact with our children."

– Jake & Brittany

PHOTOS OF OUR LIFE *together*



OUR HOME LIFE

We live in a family-oriented town in Iowa in a two story house with 3 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. We have found a lot of enjoyment working on updates throughout our house and making it our own! Fun fact: we have a library in one of the rooms in our home with hundreds of books! We have several nearby parks within walking distance and beautiful walking paths we look forward to taking our children to. We have a large fenced-in backyard with a raised garden. We envision lots of days outside playing in the yard! Our town has many activities for families including family museums, parks, an outdoor waterpark, and so much more. We love to visit friends' farms just a couple towns away and go fishing in a nearby lake.

We adopted our dog, Obi, in fall of 2021. (Yes, we both love Star Wars!) He's a mix of an Irish Terrier and Lab! He loves walks around the neighborhood, catching tennis balls in our backyard, and snuggling on the couch. He's excited to get a "human sibling" as a friend and playmate!



OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Jonathan is the youngest sibling of his family and has three older sisters. The two oldest were adopted from South Korea! Jonathan's parents have been married for 48 years and can't wait to have more grandchildren. Emylee is the oldest sibling of her family and has a younger brother and younger sister. Emylee's parents have been married for 38 years and are very excited to welcome their first grandchild! We both have large extended families, filled with lots of cousins! We love being Aunt and Uncle to our three nephews and have so many fun memories traveling with and loving on them!

We are blessed to have many friends who feel just like family; we love hanging out with them and their children. We care for all the kiddos in our life as if they're our own. We can't wait to have our children meet and grow up with our friends' children and our sweet nephews!



"Anyone with eyes can tell Jonathan and Emylee have a heart for children. They are kind, loving, intentionally interactive, and firm with boundaries. They've both chosen career paths centered around family and children, and we think this is a reflection of their hearts' priorities and desires to nurture others with their God-given gifts."

– Jon & Teresa



WHAT LED US TO ADOPTION

Even before we started dating, we both shared our desires to adopt someday! Jonathan has two adopted older sisters that we are so grateful for, and Emylee just always knew it was something she wanted to do in her future. We both have many friends that are either adopted themselves or have chosen to grow their family through adoption. That makes us so excited for our future! After several years of struggling with fertility challenges, through much prayer and counsel from friends and family, we are ready to be "mom and dad" and blessed to welcome children into our lives through adoption. We do not see adoption as a Plan B; it's always been part of Plan A! As you can see, children are a part of our everyday life, and we can't wait to have our own! We are just so excited for our house to be filled with children's laughter and bedtime stories.