



# James & Angela our adoption journey

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## **About Us**

We are James and Angela. We met at college in Florida 14 years ago, after a history class. That was the only part of history class we remember. We started dating shortly after that and have been married for almost 13 years now. In November of 2021, we adopted a beautiful baby girl, Lila Grace. She means the world to us and we love playing and spending our days together. We currently own and operate our own bakery. Angela takes on the training and team building, while James runs the day-to-day operations. We are the best team and love running a business side by side. When we are not working, you will find us by the beach, at the park or having play dates with Lila's friends. We love being outdoors and spending time with our extended family. We love fishing, boating, swimming, and watching sunsets.

### **Our Home**

At the end of 2024 we decided to move into our Florida retreat. Nestled in a serene, gated community, our home is a perfect blend of comfort, community, and natural beauty. This charming 3-bedroom, 3-bath townhome, situated on the edge of a small pond, is our peaceful retreat. The calming sounds of nature just outside our door, make for the perfect place to spend our days. We love waking up every morning and seeing the sun come up over the pond. We are so excited to share our haven with your sweet child and can't wait to make many special memories here.

## **Our Adoption Journey**

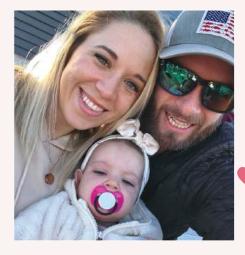
Our road to adoption has been a hard but beautiful one. We began our journey ten years ago and, through many disappointments, found out Angela had endometriosis. We have faced many years of infertility, but it has brought us to a point where we are now so grateful to be. We know adoption is right for us and feel completely called to this place. The hope adoption gives us that we may become a family is the best gift anyone could give.





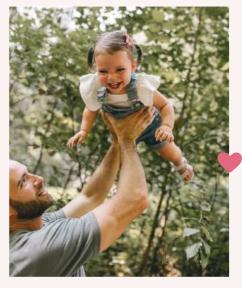


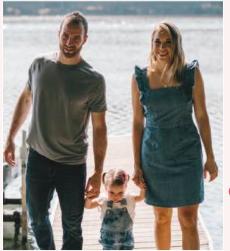
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## James

OCCUPATION: Business Owner EDUCATION: Bachelor's Degree RACE: Caucasian RELIGION: Christian SPORT: Soccer FOOD: Pizza HOBBY: Fishing FAMILY TRADITION: Cape Cod Vacations MUSICAL GROUP: Walker Hayes MOVIE: Despicable Me DREAM VACATION: Jade Mountain HOLIDAY: Thanksgiving TV SHOW: Resident SUBJECT IN SCHOOL: Recess

# Angela

OCCUPATION: Business Owner EDUCATION: Bachelor's Degree RACE: Caucasian RELIGION: Christian SPORT: Volleyball FOOD: Tacos HOBBY: Hiking FAMILY TRADITION: Christmas in Minnesota MUSICAL GROUP: Elevation Worship MOVIE: The Proposal DREAM VACATION: Spain HOLIDAY: Christmas TV SHOW: Suits SUBJECT IN SCHOOL: Math

BOOK: One Thousand Gifts

# **Our Family &** *Traditions*

Our extended family means so much to us. James has five brothers of whom he is the youngest. We have nine nieces and nephews who we love spending time with. With one brother nearby and the rest out of state, we often travel to visit the other brothers and nieces and nephews. Having a large extended family keeps things fun and adventurous. It is never boring around here. Thanksgiving with all the brothers and their families around the table is a tradition we look forward to every year.

Angela's family lives out of state, but they visit often. Angela has one brother, and he has a wife and three children. Their boys can't wait to have another cousin to play with. Christmas with Angela's family is always the best. She has almost 30 cousins, who now have kids and families of their own. We all gather during Christmas. It is always filled with games, memories, and reflection on how truly blessed we are.





to our angel:

We want you to know we think so very highly of you. The path you are considering is not an easy one but one filled with selfsacrifice and love. The courage it takes to make hard decisions is so painful sometimes, and yet the outcome itself can be such a beautiful one. You are such a strong and beautiful woman. Thank you seems too weak, yet we have no other words. Thank you for considering giving us hope and the opportunity to grow our family.

We think of you and the little one you are carrying and pray for you often. We pray that the Lord will bless you and give you peace and comfort and that the baby will grow strong and healthy. We thank the Lord daily for you.

The paths we have walked have been long. Sometimes it has been hard to see ahead, but we know our path has crossed yours, and we feel so extremely blessed. We promise, should you choose us, to raise your baby in a loving home. We will teach him or her about Jesus and will raise him or her as a strong, independent individual. We will share stories of you and the sacrifice you made to make us a family. We will spend Friday nights together making pizza and Saturdays at the beach making memories. We will be surrounded by church family and extended family. We promise your baby will always be loved with unconditional love.

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