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about us

We're Dave and Sarah. We met online and then got engaged in Ireland ten months later. We have now been married almost 13 years. We are parents to our nine-year-old son, James, who plays baseball and loves Minecraft. Sarah grew up in Missouri, earned her bachelor's degree in education, and then earned her master's degree in pastoral studies. After several years as a youth and campus minister, Sarah is currently a high school teacher. Dave grew up in Illinois, earned two associate degrees, and has been a programmer and worked in IT for over 20 years. He is currently the director of IT at a local company. Together we love being outside, hiking, going to sporting events, catching a good movie, hanging out with friends and family, going on vacations, and being active in our faith community.

We live in a small community a short drive away from a big city. We have the benefit of a small-town feel with quick access to the city, which offers many great opportunities for family fun. There are also many great county parks, nature preserves, and hiking trails nearby, which we frequent. We chose to move to our town for many of these reasons and for the quality of education our children would receive. We built our home in 2011 in a subdivision filled with lots of families, some of whom have become wonderful friends. Our neighborhood has a lake for fishing and a playground situated on the common ground directly behind our home. We also have plenty of backyard for our dog, Elsie.



WHAT LED US TO ADOPTION

We had hoped for multiple children. Sadly, we experienced multiple pregnancy losses and have no medical reason to explain why. We have waited awhile, working through our losses, and realized we still have more love to give and the desire to raise more children. Since he was two, our son, James, has shared his desire to have a sibling to play and grow up with. Dave was raised in part by his stepfather and chose to honor his stepfather by arranging to be adopted by him as an adult. We'd like to continue this tradition of adoption in our family knowing families aren't just created biologically but also out of mutual love and support.

our photos











BETTER TOGETHER

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sarah

OCCUPATION	Teacher
EDUCATION	Master's degree in
	Pastoral Studies
RACE	Caucasian
RELIGION	Christian
FOOD	Italian salad
TRADITION	Start of summer vacation
MUSICAL GROUP	Tom Petty, NeedtoBreathe
MOVIE	Rudy
REAM VACATION	Alaska
HOLIDAY	Christmas
TV SHOW	Friday Night Lights
JECT IN SCHOOL	English

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dave



OCCUPATION	Director of IT
EDUCATION	Associate in Applied Science and Associate in Arts
RACE	Caucasian
RELIGION	Christian
FOOD	Lasagna
TRADITION	Opening night at the movies
MUSICAL GROUP	Rolling Stones
MOVIE	The Empire Strikes Back
DREAM VACATION	Ireland
HOLIDAY	My birthday
TV SHOW	Mystery Science Theater 3000
BJECT IN SCHOOL	Speech

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OUF family & traditions



Together we have a large, loving family, some who live close by and others who live farther away. They are all excited about a possible new addition to the family! We do our best to prioritize seeing family as often as our schedule allows, sometimes taking a day trip or even longer to see and visit loved ones.

Sarah is the second oldest of five siblings and grew up with 25 first cousins. Her extended family still gets together for holidays, especially at Christmas. Her immediate family, now 19 people, gathers regularly for birthday celebrations, college football games, vacations, and other outings. Dave was raised by his mother and stepfather and has one sister and a brother-in-law. The extended family he is closest to are his cousins. Growing up, his family was very involved in their church, which became a large social aspect of their lives and is where Dave met his lifelong friends.







dear expectant mother

While we have not yet met, we look forward to meeting you and hearing your story and all that you dream and hope for your child. We often think of you and what you must be working through as well as the challenges you are facing as you consider making an adoption plan for your child. We know all you are doing and planning is out of love, and we want you to know we, too, have come to our decision to adopt out of a place of love. We have love to give, as does our son, who has hoped alongside us for a sibling. We understand your child will always be a part of you, and you a part of your child. Because of this, we would very much like to develop a healthy relationship with you, if it's also what you want, but we know this will take time. Should you choose us, we promise to speak openly about your child's adoption story and speak highly of you.

We believe we are capable of creating a safe and nurturing home in which your child will grow and thrive. We promise to share all we have with your baby and give every opportunity we can to him or her. We are truly grateful to you for considering us to share our love with your baby. As you move forward in this journey, may worry and stress give way to peace and clarity.

In gratitude,

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