



# ELISA AND CARLOS

*Our Adoption Journey*

## ABOUT US

We are Carlos and Elisa. We met briefly in 2009 at a mutual friend's birthday party. A few days later, we connected online through Messenger, and in 2011 we got married. Carlos is a software engineer who likes anything nerdy, including video games, anime, and Star Wars movies as well as cooking and trying new recipes. Elisa is a Registered Nurse. She likes DIY crafts, dance, animals, and drama TV series. As a couple, we hike trails with our dogs, Anakin and Obi-Wan. We like wine tastings, movie theaters, restaurants, and taking the ferry to small islands near our home. We have a tradition of watching holiday movies on Christmas Eve and waiting until midnight to open the Christmas presents. During this time, we stay up all night to wait for our families to wake up in Puerto Rico and watch them open their gifts.



## OUR HOME & PETS

Our home is a two-story house with a fenced-in backyard. From the backyard, you can see trees and blackberry bushes as well as birds and squirrels. We live in a quiet neighborhood with young families and small children. There are schools, parks, and lakes near the house. We have two dogs that are part of our family: a golden retriever named Anakin and a chihuahua named Obi-Wan. They are inseparable. They like to play with each other, play with toys, and get wet from their inflatable pool or hose. We like to take them to trails in the mountains and around the neighborhood.



## WHAT LED US TO ADOPTION

Ever since we got together, we have talked about forming a family by conceiving or adopting a baby. Before we got married, Elisa was diagnosed with cervical cancer, and she became infertile because of the treatments. Once Elisa was cancer free, we decided to form our family through adoption. In Elisa's family, a cousin went through the adoption process, and the whole family welcomed the child. On Carlos's side, his mother was adopted. Between the experiences of both of our families, we are confident that any child we adopt would be loved, welcomed, and supported by everyone.



our photos



# More about **ELISA**

**OCCUPATION:** Registered Nurse

**EDUCATION:** Bachelor's - Nursing

**RACE:** Caucasian/Latino

**RELIGION:** Catholic

**SPORT:** Soccer

**FOOD:** Puerto Rican, Italian

**TRADITION:** Christmas shopping, visiting Puerto Rico

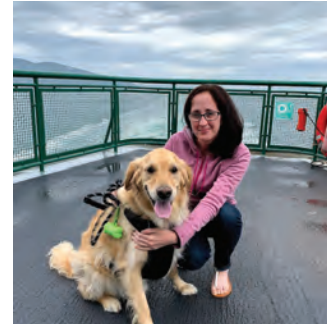
**MUSICAL GROUP:** Lauren Daigle, Tommy Torres

**MOVIE:** The Terminator, Mary Poppins, Star Wars

**DREAM VACATION:** Europe

**TV SHOW:** This Is Us, Call the Midwife

**BOOK:** Bible



# More about **CARLOS**

**OCCUPATION:** Senior Engineer Manager

**EDUCATION:** Bachelor's - Software Engineering

**RACE:** Caucasian/Latino

**RELIGION:** Catholic

**SPORT:** Soccer

**FOOD:** Puerto Rican, Italian, Vietnamese

**TRADITION:** Pumpkin carving, binge-watching holiday movies

**MUSICAL GROUP:** Evanescence, Marc Anthony

**MOVIE:** Star Wars, The Nightmare Before Christmas

**DREAM VACATION:** Japan, any beach resort

**TV SHOW:** Friends, Doctor Who

**BOOK:** Ready Player One, The Looking Glass Wars





# OUR FAMILIES & TRADITIONS

Our families are from Puerto Rico, and they are charming, joyful, and lovely. We have a lot of uncles, aunts, and cousins. Elisa has eleven uncles and aunts. Two of her aunts and many cousins live in the U.S. Elisa has only one sister, who is married and has one son, who is 14 years old. He has a special bond with us and gets excited every time we visit the island. Carlos has six uncles and aunts, and four are his mom's adopted sisters. Carlos has one brother and one sister. His sister is married and has a son and daughter, 12 and 11 years old.

Both families love to get together for dinner; to celebrate birthdays, Christmas, and Three Kings Day (January 6); and to visit different places on the island. We all love music, especially the native island music known as "plena," which is similar to African and tropical music. When we cannot visit our family, we communicate through video calls.





## DEAR EXPECTANT MOTHER,

We cannot begin to comprehend how difficult this process may be for you, but we are incredibly grateful you are considering us. This is the first time we are adopting, and we are not experts in the process but want to always be there for you and your baby to make it as simple and painless as possible. We will always work our hardest to create a home where your baby can feel love and safety, so they can grow to be the best person they can be. We will inspire your baby to achieve all their dreams through our support, encouragement, and love.

Even though we will love your baby like our own, we will be thrilled to share every moment with you if you want to be part of the baby's life too, at any level you're comfortable with. We will be honest with your baby about where they came from and make sure they know everyone who loves them. We are very excited to welcome a baby to our family to bring joy and love for us, the baby, and our extended family.

Thank you so much for considering us!

***With Love,***

*Elisa & Carlos*

  
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