





### about us

We met through mutual friends in 2012 and got married in 2014. We love to travel, and we've visited 35 countries since getting married! We love to spend time together cooking, gardening, building Legos, sitting on our front porch and playing card games, and walking to our favorite neighborhood restaurants. We are passionate about art and love visiting museums and galleries in every city we travel to. We have season tickets to the local theater and love to see Broadway shows and plays that come through our city. Natalie has worked in elementary education and childcare for the past eight years, and Nolan owns a production company. Nolan is goofy, hardworking, and organized and loves to make fun plans for everyone to enjoy. Natalie is patient, thoughtful, and creative. We complement each other so well and can't believe a decade together has gone by in the blink of an eye!

#### our home and pets

We live in a 90-year-old duplex in a historic urban neighborhood in North Carolina. We love being able to walk to restaurants, shops, our doctors' offices, the gym, and a massive park, all within two blocks. We also live close to a public transit stop where we can ride to sporting events and museums! We are lucky to also have a large backyard where we garden and spend time with our neighbors. We have two sweet cats, Morris and Kitty, who are extremely social and love attention from neighborhood kids.

#### what led us to adoption

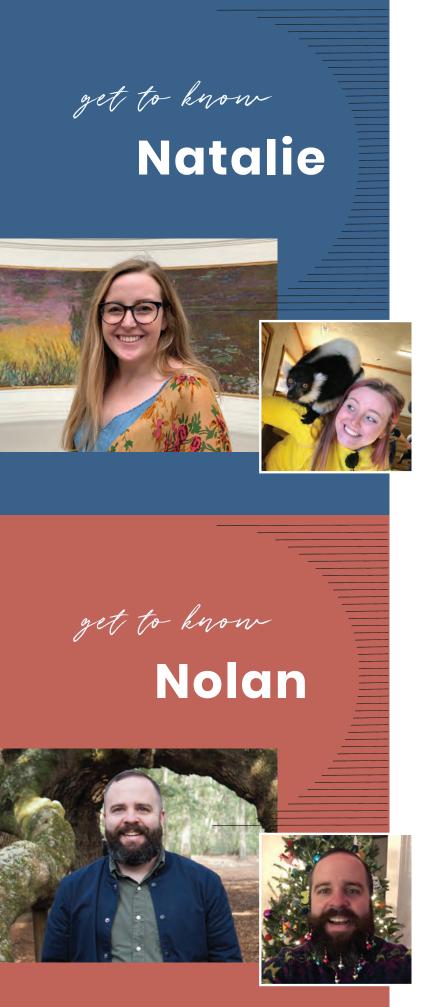
Natalie was told at the age of 18 that she would likely be unable to ever get pregnant due to her severe endometriosis. We discussed this early in our relationship and agreed that one day we would want to adopt to expand our family. We are fortunate to have several friends in our life who have adopted and are adoptees, and we have been able to watch their journeys at different stages of life. We also have an incredible nonprofit down the street from us that we have joined, taking adoption classes and finding community with other adoptive families. We are looking forward to participating in their family nights and having a community of fellow adoptees for our future child to spend time with.











**OCCUPATION:** Childcare

**EDUCATION**: Bachelor's degree

RACE: Caucasian

**RELIGION:** Spiritual

FOOD: Tacos

**HOBBY:** Gardening

FAMILY TRADITION: Game night

MUSICAL GROUP: Dolly Parton

**DREAM VACATION:** New Zealand

**HOLIDAY:** Christmas

**SUBJECT IN SCHOOL: Art** 

**OCCUPATION:** Business Owner

**EDUCATION:** Associate's degree

**RACE**: Caucasian

**RELIGION:** Spiritual

FOOD: BBQ

**HOBBY:** Travel planning

**FAMILY TRADITION:** Holiday gatherings

MUSICAL GROUP: Drew Holcomb

**DREAM VACATION:** Iceland

**HOLIDAY:** Christmas

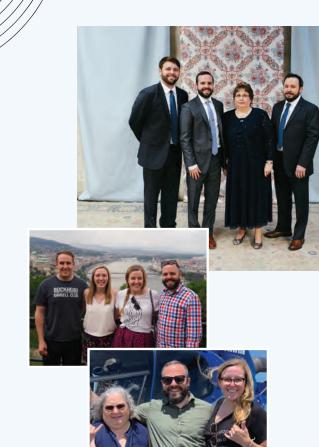
**SUBJECT IN SCHOOL: Math** 

## our bamily

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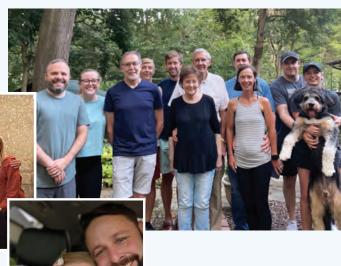
We feel incredibly lucky to have loving, tight-knit relationships with both of our families and text with them daily. Natalie has a younger brother and sister and is extremely close with both of them, despite them living in different states. We love to play board games together, watch our favorite TV shows, and go out to restaurants. Natalie's mom is a 25-minute drive away and her dad lives three blocks away, which allows her to spend time with both of them every week. They both are extremely eager to become first-time grandparents!

Nolan's mom and two brothers all live in Tennessee, along with his niece and two nephews. He is frequently in Tennessee for work and gets to see them every month. He and his family constantly text about their shared love for airplanes, weather, and the Astros baseball team. His dad, stepmom, and half-sister live in Texas. He has extended family in Florida, and we love getting to spend Thanksgiving with them at the beach, kayaking, fishing, and watching manatees.











# expectant mother

First and foremost, we trust you wholeheartedly to make the decision that is right for you. There is nothing we want more than to see you thrive and to grow into the person you've always wanted to be. If we are lucky enough to be a part of your story, we hope you know we are on your team. Your child will always know how much you love them, and you will always be a part of their story.

Should you choose us to raise your child, we hope you know they will be met with love every single day. They will be given every opportunity to pursue their passions and interests while exploring the world and discovering all the beauty it has to offer. They will be raised to believe that all people are created equal and that when they are not treated equally, it is our duty to stand up for others and help in any way we can. We will teach them the importance of taking good care of ourselves, each other, and our environment and that grace, patience, and empathy are imperative to loving others well.

We cannot wait to welcome a little one to their room surrounded by natural light and trees, to sit on the floor and read from their endless library of books. We look forward to the ordinary days of routines, bathtimes, and tucking them into bed just as much as we look forward to sharing our favorite holiday traditions and celebrating milestones.



