

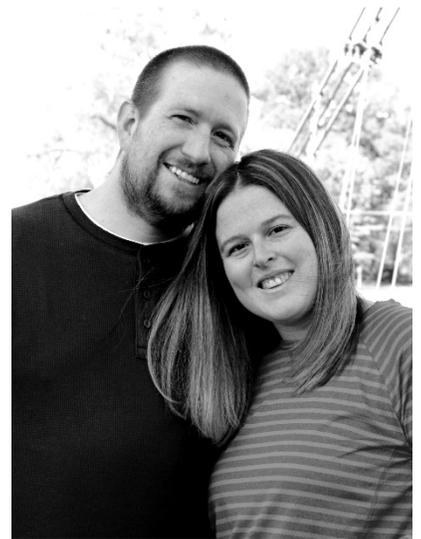
Dear Birthparent,

Hi, we are Tim, Michelle, Anna, Bethany, and Clara. We are grateful to you for considering adoption, and excited about being given an opportunity to expand our family. We deeply respect and admire you for your decision to consider adoption for your child. We hope this letter will give you a brief look into our lives and we look forward to meeting and getting to know you as well.

We are a Christian couple and were married in January of 2013. We have three daughters from Tim's previous marriage Anna, Bethany and Clara. Due to medical reasons we are unable to have children of our own and feel God is calling us to expand our family.

Tim was born in Alabama but was raised half of his life in Missouri and half his life in Illinois. Both his parents live in the area and his siblings live within an hour from us. We are very close with Tim's parents and see or talk with them multiple times weekly. Tim graduated from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville with his Industrial Engineering degree and currently is an industrial engineer in the automotive industry. In his free time he likes to go to Cardinal games, watch Alabama football, do wood working, and he is an excellent cook.

Michelle was born and raised in Iowa. Both her parents and sisters live in Iowa about three hours from us. We are very close with Michelle's family and make several trips to Iowa each year. Michelle graduated from the University of Iowa with her industrial engineering degree and is an assembly engineer for an automotive supplier. In her free time she likes to do crafts, sew, shop, go to cardinal games, and watch Alabama and Iowa football.



Our three beautiful daughters are Anna, Bethany, and Clara. Anna, who is 12, our oldest is very caring, and helpful. She plays the flute, loves to read, and plays softball. Bethany is 10 and is very nurturing and talkative. She just started playing the Clarinet and is in soccer. Clara is 7 and is sassy, sweet, and tenderhearted. We also have a toy poodle, Abby. As a family we love to sit around a bonfire, go to Cardinals games, go to the Zoo, or do other fun family activities. All three girls are very excited for a new baby brother or sister.



As parents we value a relationship with Christ and have strong Christian values that are taught and demonstrated within our family on a daily basis. We value learning and provide educational learning opportunities on a daily basis. As far as discipline, we encourage our children to resolve their own problems by talking the issues out amongst themselves. We will provide a safe and loving environment for your child.

We will dedicate our lives to raising your child in a loving, Godly home. In our home, your child will always know his or her adoption story and the gift of love that brought us together. We have already begun to pray for this future addition to our family and the loving birthmother who will make it possible.