Thank you for taking the time to get to know us as you view our profile. We feel a natural call to adoption as a way to build our forever family as we remember that we too have been adopted into God’s family as His children and been given the gift of eternal life. This love we receive from God and from each other is what we will give your child. We will surround your child in a warm, supportive, and creative environment. Individually and as a couple, we deeply enjoy learning and being innovative. These are qualities that we hope to be able to instill in our child. We will emulate (no matter how imperfectly) the love God has for us—His adopted children.

We first met at a summer church festival when we were eighteen. John was the bass player and Kay’s brother-in-law was the drummer for a Christian rock band. We never said a word to each other that day, but sat side by side eating pizza and experiencing attractive tension after helping take down the music gear.

Thanks to Facebook and Skype, our long-distance relationship blossomed and we began long-distance dating a few months later during Thanksgiving. We have been together for twelve years now and married for nine. Watching those we love around us have children has been exciting and beautiful, and has strengthened our persistence in starting a family of our own despite our struggles with infertility. After prayerful consideration and conversations with friends and family who have experienced adoption firsthand, we feel this is the chosen path for us.

Our passion involves the outdoors and the Earth. We love to hike, explore trails, bike, kayak, forage, and experience the beauty of nature around us. We also enjoy gardening, cooking, and canning/preserving the fruits and veggies of our labor. Our dream would be to further develop our property and grow the majority of the produce we eat on a daily basis, or to buy a larger property and homestead in the country with a few larger animals in addition to our current chickens. Every year we try growing a new/novel vegetable or herb and further expand our gardening experiments. When not outdoors, we enjoy reading, making music, watching movies, and learning about homesteading, and natural health. We can’t wait to include our child in gathering eggs every day, feeding the chickens, planting and tending to the garden and helping to cook/eat meals we’ve made with our homegrown food.
WHEN I FIRST MET KA Y I WAS STRUCK BY HOW BEAUTIFUL SHE WAS. Not just physically, but inside and out. It was immediately clear that she was no ordinary girl and I instantly wanted to get to know her. Besides her kindness and goofy sense of humor, I was impressed with how she treated people and how loving and motherly she was toward her nieces and nephews. She also wasn’t materialistic and valued the things in life that matter more than money and possessions.

As the years have passed, I have continued to be impressed with Kay and her passion for her job in healthcare and human health in general is truly inspiring - not only to me, but to everyone else around her. She has a profound impact on many of her patients and a few have written her after completing their care to thank her for going above and beyond for them.

JOHN IS A DEEP THINKER, asking me thought provoking questions and helping me look at life differently. His spirit of inquiry helped me further develop my faith and our relationship. Not only can he be extremely serious, but he can flip into a stand-up comedian at a moment’s notice. John’s hard work ethic, sincerity, humor, encouragement, and strong faith are some of his best qualities.

Over the course of our marriage, his support and encouragement and personal sacrifice for my education and establishment of my career has been humbling. He has always made the financial and physical security of our marriage a priority, through living simply/non-materialistically, creating a budget, and forward thinking.

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JOHN IS GOING TO BE AMAZING! Fatherhood...

As our siblings have continued to have children, it has been exciting to see his interactions with our nephews and nieces, from simply holding/cuddling with our newest niece, to playing Pokemon, engaging in Nerf battles, and acting as a living jungle gym for our older nephews. It is during playtime with our nephews and nieces that I get to see John’s inner child emerge! His love for children has steadily grown over the past few years, and I can’t wait to begin this journey of parenting with such a fun, caring, and supportive individual.

Do What We Love and Love What We Do

JOHN ENJOYS WORKING IN CONSTRUCTION, doing full house builds, remodels, windows, roofing, etc. It’s very fulfilling to work with your hands and see the outcome of your hard work.

He also enjoys bettering individuals and family’s lives by improving their living space and quality of life in their home.

KAY LOVES HER WORK AS AN RN IN THE INFUSION DEPARTMENT CARING FOR CANCER PATIENTS and any other patient requiring an infusion. The fast paced and hands-on patient care is what draws her to this particular specialty and most importantly the relationship that develops from caring for the same group of patients on a regular basis. She finds inspiration from those she treats and loves to make the most of each visit with each patient.

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A little about JOHN FROM JOHN’S POINT OF VIEW

A little about KAY FROM KAY’S POINT OF VIEW

KAY LOVES music, she has a beautiful voice, and plays piano and the flute as well. She loves to cook, read, watch movies, make things like soap, cards, and gifts, and is very creative.

ADVENTURES WHILE BABYSITTING NOAH

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We live in a cozy raised ranch with a large fenced back yard that includes three gardens and a chicken run and coop attached to our garage. The neighborhood is quiet but friendly, filled with young parents with children, young couples, middle-aged couples with families, and older couples. We are within walking distance of multiple community parks, a public fishing pond, bluff hiking trails, nature preserve, an elementary school, high school, and grocery store. A look out our front bay window includes breathtaking views of the bluffs.

We love to spend time walking the neighborhood and visiting with our next-door neighbors, having campfires in each other’s yards when the weather is nice and exchanging homegrown produce.

Kay’s family has always been very close and connected as they’ve grown and expanded. She grew up with two older sisters who have moved within 3 hrs of her parents and all come back home for the holidays with their children. Her older half-brother, adopted at birth, found her family after 40+ years and has naturally become a part of the family with his wife and two children. In total, Kay has nine nephews/nieces who all come with her siblings to her parents’ and grandparents’ home for gatherings. Extended family holiday meals, music, campfires, deer hunting/processing, gardening and canning/preserving veggies are all an integral part of their traditions.

John’s immediate family includes his parents, two older sisters and an older brother. While his family is mainly located within the same state, he has a sister who lives in the Southwest and grandparents who winter in Florida. John, in total, has three nephews/nieces with another on the way. Family traditions include an annual combined summer birthday and pool party at his grandparent’s local house, Thanksgiving meals with family-raised grass-fed beef or free range chicken, and whole family roller-skating or jump park outings.

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Favorite traditions & qualities

- Evening walk and talk
- Grandma Ann’s homemade birthday cakes
- Annual Easter brunch and egg hunt at grandparent’s house
- July pool party/combined birthday bash with John’s extended family
- Fall deer hunting and Thanksgiving in the North Woods with Kay’s family

When it comes to family and friends, we value:

Loyalty, Faith, work ethic, compassion, and humor
We promise to teach our child about God’s love for them, that character matters more than status or job salary, gratefulness makes one content, to have respect and compassion for all, how to grow and harvest food from the earth, and finally to make the most with what we have been given.

Thank you for taking the time to get to know us a bit better by viewing our profile. Most importantly, thank you for considering an adoption plan for this beautiful little life you are bringing into the world. Know that we are praying for you during this decision-making process and hope for the best outcome for your child, regardless of whether or not that involves us. God bless!

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