



**JOSHUA & STACY MERSEAL**

ADOPTION PROFILE BOOK



**DEAR EXPECTANT MOTHER,**

Hello! We are Josh and Stacy. We are excited to be a part of this journey with you! We wanted to start off by sharing our Why story with you. From the time we met, we both had hearts for adoption and knew God was calling us but did not know to what extent. We unfortunately cannot have children of our own due to health reasons, but as we prayed about what to do, God kept reminding us about adoption. We then realized that God has been calling us all along to grow our family by adoption and we were finally willing to follow His plan for our lives. We pray that we are the family that you choose, but know that we are praying daily for you either way!







*about us*

## HOW WE MET

Josh and Stacy grew up about 2 blocks from each other and went to the same elementary school but did not officially meet until college. Josh worked on the Media Team at church and Stacy sang in the worship band. Josh mentioned to a couple of mutual friends how pretty she was and they were set up on a blind date. Stacy's grandmother knew from the beginning that the two would marry and began urging Josh to propose anytime they went to visit. After 4 months of knowing each other, Josh and Stacy went to visit her grandmother and it was at that time Josh asked Stacy to marry him. They married the following year at the church where they met. Together they love to travel, camp, gather with friends and family, and spend time with their dogs. They also take time out to do small things together, like going on spontaneous dates, watch movies, and play games as a family, and try ultimately to treat each other with love and respect. We are excited to give our unconditional love to a child and expand our family through the miracle of adoption!



## *a little about* **JOSHUA**

Josh grew up in a very close knit family. He is an only child but was raised with his cousins close by and his parents have been married for 32 years. Josh's parents have always taught the importance of family and love. Josh loves to hunt and work with his hands. He graduated college in 2015 with a degree in Informational Technology and minored in Business and Math. He currently works in the IT industry. He is also very active in the Media Ministry at church and is a deacon.

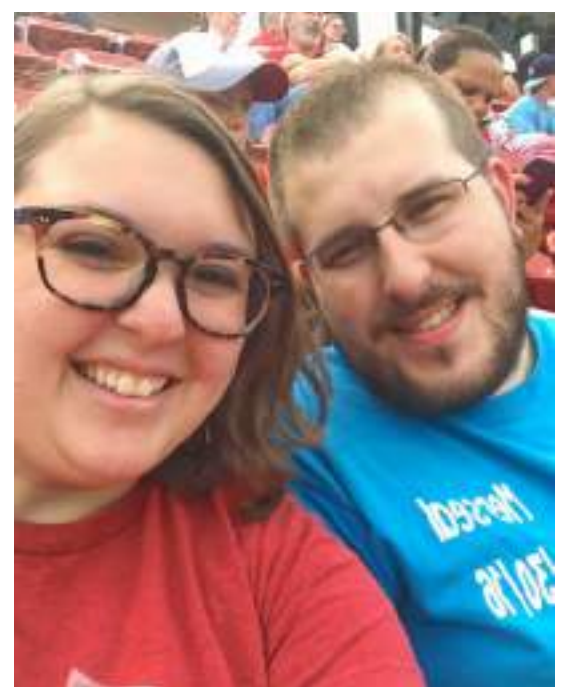


## *a little about* **STACY**

Stacy also grew up in a close knit family. She has one brother. Her parents have been married for 31 years. Family has always been very important to her, and regardless of where she's been in life she keeps them as a top priority. Her favorite time of year is Fall. She loves swimming, and likes to kayak, but also loves to cuddle up inside with a blanket and cup of coffee. She is also an avid Disney fan! Stacy graduated in 2016 with her degree in Elementary Education and Special Education. She currently teaches third grade and runs a craft business on the side!







## HOW JOSHUA THINKS OF STACY

Stacy is an amazing wife and confidant. I love her more than words can describe. From the first time that we meet I knew that she was someone special. She is the most genuine, passionate and determined person I know. She makes me a better person and continually motivates me through our life. She is more than my wife, Stacy is my best friend and favorite person. My wish for her is to have the opportunity to be a mother. There is no doubt she will be a great mother and that we will make an outstanding team as parents.



## HOW STACY THINKS OF JOSHUA

Joshua is a fantastic husband and partner. We work, play, and laugh together daily. He is my rock and he never ceases to amaze me. He's compassionate yet strong. He's loyal and honest. I know he will make an awesome dad. If I ever doubt myself or get discouraged, he is always there to remind me of what I am capable of and how much he loves me. I love this man and can't imagine my life without him. He is truly one of God's greatest gifts to me.



OUR *home* AND NEIGHBORHOOD





We live in a semi-rural area. We live on 20 acres with lots of room to play! Our home is a two story and has 4 big bedrooms. Josh's parents live here with us to help take care of our future little one and Josh's grandfather lives in another house on our property! Our favorite place at our house is outside because there is so much room to play and ride four wheelers!







STACY'S PARENTS



JOSH'S PARENTS



STACY'S  
BROTHER



EMILY







# Adventures

Together we love to travel and do missions locally and globally. We camp multiple times a year and our favorite place is Branson, MO. We also have property on a lake that we also use for hunting. Recently, we had the opportunity to go to Africa and record Bible stories for tribes in their heart language. We are hoping to make this trip every summer and take our little ones once they are old enough as well.





## OUR PETS



We have two dogs. AJ, 5, is our Terrier mix. We found her at 6 weeks old and is Miss Independent. She is the guard of the house as long as they don't come in! Sandor, 4, is our German Shepherd/Mastiff mix. He was a rescue and is the biggest lap dog! He loves cuddles and to be pet and is a hater of our barn cat.





# *Our promise to you...*

We have always dreamed about being parents and, and having a child to raise in a loving home! We are very excited to be adopting and have so much love to share for this child as we expand our family. Please always know we will unconditionally love and cherish your child and we will make sure that he/she will be proud to be adopted. We hope this book gave you a look at our lives and we look forward to meeting you. Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Sincerely,  
Joshua and Stacy

