

### Hello

First off, thank you for taking the time to get to know us. We look forward to getting to know you more in the future. We are humbled, honored, and so thankful you are considering us as you search for a family for your sweet baby. We cannot imagine how difficult this journey is for you, as you are searching for the best plan for you and your precious little one. We pray that the Lord will be with you and guide you every step of the way. We pray that you feel His love for you, and that He will give you peace throughout this process. The precious gift of life that you are choosing for your baby is priceless. We want you to know that we are praying for you and your sweet baby. You are incredibly strong, brave, selfless, and caring.

Adoption is very special to our family. We were greatly blessed through adoption five and a half years ago. The Lord guided us to the arms of a fourteen-month-old baby girl, who is an amazing blessing to our family. Since her adoption, we have prayed, asking the Lord to bless our family again through adoption. We have prayed over this adoption journey so much during the past years, asking the Lord to guide us, to give us patience and wisdom as we walk this path and wait for the child and mother that He chooses to join us with.

There are just no adequate words to describe our longing, love, and deep desire to have another child and share in his or her life. We want you to know that we will treasure and love your baby fiercely and completely with our entire hearts and souls. We promise to walk through each stage of life with your child-loving, teaching, encouraging and providing. We believe in hugging often, forgiving always, and unconditional love. We know that God has a beautiful plan for your sweet baby, and we would be incredibly honored and blessed to be a part of that.

If you decide to make an adoption plan with us, we want to assure you that we will respect you and whatever level of openness and contact that **you choose** to have with us and your baby. We would always want you to know how your little one is doing, and that he or she is **cherished**, **loved**, **and adored**. You could reach out to us **anytime** to see a picture, ask for an update, just check in with us, etc. We promise to love your baby completely, with our entire hearts, to provide a wonderful home, and to offer a life filled with opportunities. We will tell your sweet baby things that you would like for him or her to know about you, and things that are important to you. Most importantly, your precious baby will always know of **your** 

incredibly selfless love and courage.

God Bless,

Megan + James

# our story

We met in 2003 when James's friend set us up on a double date. We had both been praying for a godly spouse, and knew from that first date that God had brought us together. We got engaged in August, and married on January 24, 2004. Our life since has been a whirlwind of blessings. Five years ago, we had the honor of adding to our family through adoption. God led us to China and to Sarah Margrett. We have five wonderful children who fill our lives with love and laughter.











### We Love Family

We have been blessed with two wonderful familes. Megan's mom, dad, grandparents, aunts, and uncles had a great influence on her as a child. Most of her relatives lived nearby, and she saw them nearly every day. Some of her favorite memories were family holidays! Both her paternal and maternal grandparents made holidays BIG! They always cooked so much wonderful food, and most of her extended family would be there for the celebration. Even today there are over 30 family members on some holidays, and they are still held at her grandparents' home. We are a close family and make time throughout the year to get together for holidays and celebrations.

James's family is a small, yet tight knit group and did most everything together while he was growing up. His parents never went on vacation without his sister and him in tow. They grew up eating supper together as a family most nights. He also has a large extended family whom they visited almost on a weekly basis. Our families have helped form us into who we have become, and we love spending as much time with them as we can.















### HII'M Megan

I am the oldest of 3 and grew up on a cattle and cotton farm in Mississippi. I have one brother and one sister. I enjoyed growing up on a farm and spending the summer days with my 4 cousins. Our days were only limited by our imagination. We enjoyed climbing into our treehouses and playing in our grandparents' backyard. I also enjoyed spending time in the kitchen with my grandmother, and learning to cook cakes, pies, cookies, and pancakes. My mom, dad, grandparents, aunts, and uncles had a great influence on me as a child. Most of my relatives lived nearby, and I was able to see them almost every day.

My greatest joy is being a mom. I love spending my days with our children and just "doing life" with them. God has taught me to slow down and see His blessings in our small daily activities—like going for golf cart rides to look for bunny rabbits, making clover necklaces in our backyard, looking for tadpoles in the ditch, practicing piano, throwing the baseball, getting a little tumbling practice in, and I could go on and on—one blessing after another.

Besides being a mom, I love to be outside. I enjoy walking and running. I also love to work in our yard, especially during the spring and summer months. I enjoy reading and dinners out with our friends. I LOVE family trips to the beach and to Disney World. I have a strong faith in God and am so thankful for my relationship with Him. His love and guidance brings peace and joy to my life.











#### What He Loves About Her

I knew from our first date that God had placed Megan in my life. She is smart and beautiful but most importantly she is a godly woman. We were engaged in six months and married about a year after our first date. Our life since we met has been full of grace and blessings. Megan is the heart of our home and does such a good job of keeping everything and everyone in order. She is an excellent mother and a loving wife.



### HII'M James

I grew up in a suburban neighborhood. It was a middle-class neighborhood where you knew all your neighbors. Growing up, I was blessed to be close to my parents and my younger sister.

As a child, I was an outgoing, smart kid. I had lots of friends, many of whom I am still friends with today. I was involved in church and church activities. One of my favorite memories growing up was our Friday night dinners with two other families who had children our age. I fondly recall all the dads grilling as we played outside.

My early adulthood was consumed by medical school and residency. I had little time for anything else for several years. When I could find a break, I enjoyed hanging out with my roommates. Typically we would watch football, cookout, etc. I met Megan when I was in residency. We dated and got married.

God has blessed me and my family beyond measure. I am blessed to be a small town physician with a great family and a loving wife. My time outside of work is spent with my family. Whether it is to watch my oldest cheerlead at high school football games, my son play baseball, taking my middle two to the gym, or my youngest to a playdate, we are always together. We enjoy vacations to the beach and Disney. We are excited to add to our family.









#### What She Loves About Him

I was praying about my spouse and who God would choose for me. My aunt even suggested that I write down specific godly characteristics that I would pray for. We prayed and James was the one! He is kind, sincere, thoughtful, loving, and a spiritual leader for our family. I admire him for so many reasons—the way he shows his love for me, the great dad that he is, the way he leads our family. He loves the Lord and our family so well.



#### Meet Our Kids









## THIS IS Anna-Young

I am 16 years old and the oldest of my siblings. I am outgoing, friendly, and easy to talk to. I am considerate of others and a sincere, loyal friend. I like to spend time with my friends and also enjoy just being at home with my family. I love to cheer. I also enjoy playing the piano, reading, and participating in the youth group and choir at our church. I love family vacations, especially the beach trips. I have been a cheerleader for 4 years and have been involved in gymnastics for 11 years. I hope to maybe someday cheer in college. I also plan to pursue a degree in medicine like my dad. I am very excited about having a baby brother or sister. I have so much love waiting for this little one.



### THIS IS *Eli*

I am 14 years old. My mom says that I am an "old soul." I am kind, loyal, and adventurous. I love to play outside with my friends. I love all sports from yard ball, to fishing, to tennis, to baseball. I love to spend time at home and to be outside with my family and friends. I also enjoy our vacations, especially vacations to the beach. I enjoy the water, skimboarding, and net fishing in the ocean. I hope to play baseball at the college level. I am not sure yet of what the Lord wants me to be professionally, but I do enjoy history, sports and ministry, and I am excited to see where He leads me. I can't wait to meet our new baby brother or sister.



### THIS IS **Barbara**

I am 9 years old. I am outgoing, loyal, and very compassionate towards those around me. I have the sweetest sense of humor and I am always joking around. I have a very adventurous spirit and can often be found doing flips on the trampoline with my big sisters. I like doing gymnastics, and I love to dance around the house. I also enjoy piano lessons and hope to "play like Anna-Young" when I get older. I love shopping trips and putting on make-up. I especially love family vacations to the beach, where I boogieboard in the waves and build sandcastles with my family. I am very excited to get a new brother or sister, and I am anticipating playing, loving, and being silly with him or her. Oh yes! When I grow up, I hope to be a teacher or a mommy-just like my mom!

### THIS IS **Caroline**

I am 12 years old. I am very outgoing, friendly and sometimes referred to as a "social butterfly." I am caring and kind. I enjoy going to school and spending time with my friends and family. I love to shop with my mom, spend time at the office with my dad, especially hanging out with the office staff, and spending time at home with my siblings. I also love gymnastics and have taken it for 6 years. I like Starbucks (without the coffee), chargrilled oyster dinners, and playing around with make-up. My favorite vacations are to Disney World and our trip to China. I am so excited that we are adopting and cannot wait to love on him or her. I am always asking my mom for adoption updates!



### Sarah Margrett

I am 7 years old. I am so silly, and I have the most contagious belly laugh! I am super sweet and my momma says I have a "happy heart." I am a daddy's girl, and I want to be a doctor like him when I grow up. I love to go to school and see my friends. My mom picks me up from school and most days we usually drive through Baskin Robins for Wild n' Reckless or strawberry ice cream on a cone. I like all things "crafty," from dot art, to play-doh, to glue and glitter. I also love to play dolls with my sister in our playroom. I love all family vacations and get SO excited when we are planning a trip. I really cannot wait to have a baby brother or sister to love on and to laugh with!





#### Our Home

We chose this home because it is in a wonderful neighborhood filled with families and children. It has a 3-acre yard, so there is plenty of room for the children to play outside. We value having a home with outdoor space and lots of opportunities for play. We live only minutes from fishing, pools, golf, and tennis. This is such a blessing for our children.

Our house has plenty of bedrooms for our family and great outdoor space. Also, it is only a 2-minute drive from James's office, so he is able to run home easily. Every afternoon the yards and streets are filled with children playing kickball, the girls playing pretend, moms going for walks, and so on. It is just a wonderful, safe environment to raise a family.



















#### What We Do For Fun

We spend lots of time with our children and attending their activities. You can find us at church events, school parties, school activities, and watching baseball games. We enjoy working in our yard, going for walks, and date nights. Every once in a while we take the family on a spontaneous beach trip, day trip to the zoo, or to watch a movie. We also enjoy Friday night dinners with the grandparents. We all love going to Disney World! We also took our family to China when adopting our youngest daughter. It was an amazing trip that we were so excited to take as a family. We value the cultural experience and learning so much about China, a country that we love. It was truly the trip of a lifetime. We can't wait to see the opportunities that the Lord has for our family in the future.





















"And now these three remain: Faith, Hope, and Love.
But the greatest of these is Love."

1 Corinthians 13:13

