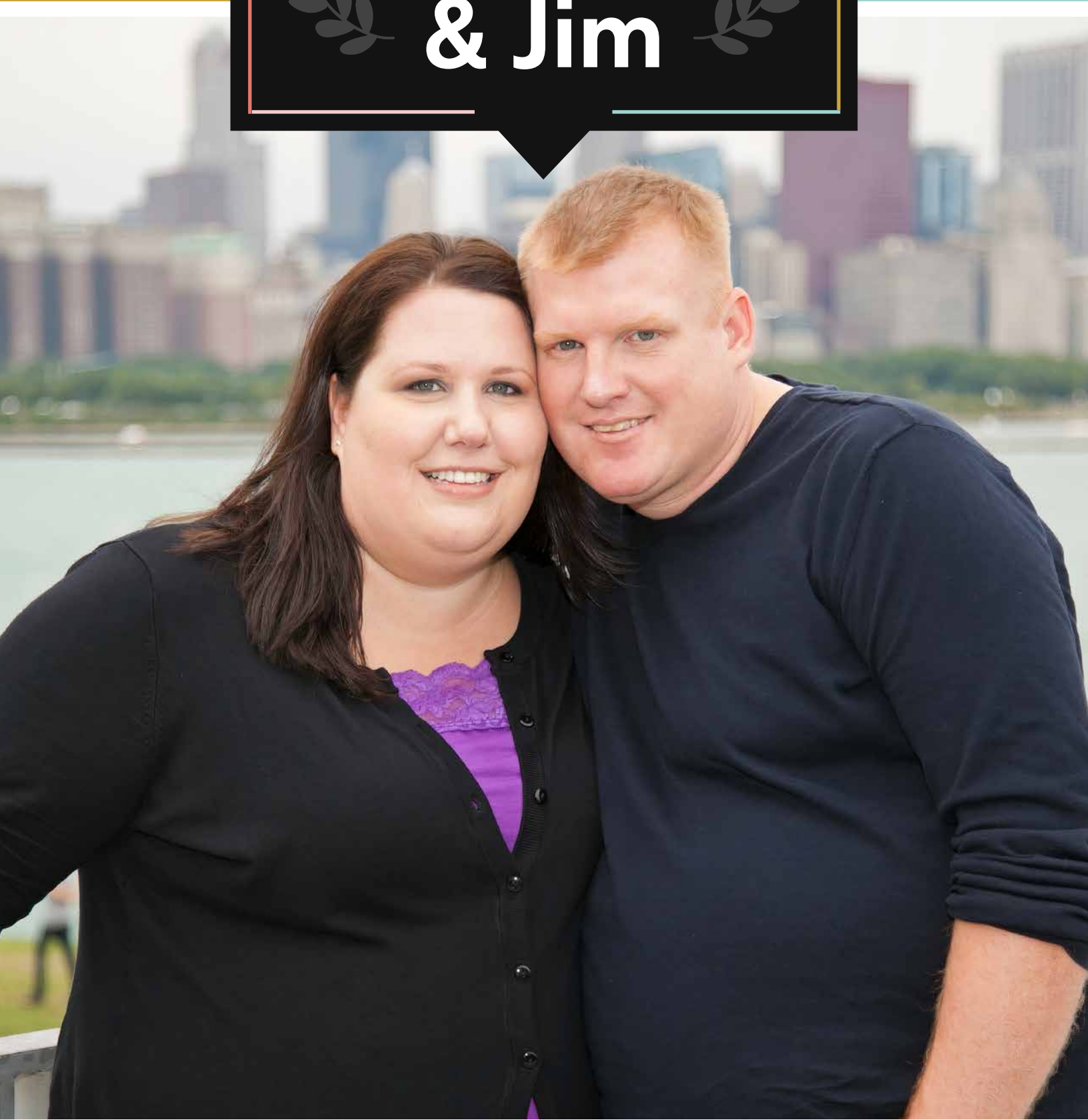


# Christy & Jim



# Hello!

we are

## Christy & Jim

from a family friendly  
suburb in Illinois

**W**e are beyond excited to become parents and we are grateful for the opportunity to share with you some information about ourselves. We are Christy and Jim and have been married for 10 years. Christy is an engineer in the medical device industry. Jim is an Electrician, but also a Professional Magician performing for all sorts of events including children's parties.

Thank you for taking the time to view our profile and learn about who we are.

We have so much love to give and can't wait to share it with our future son or daughter!

We can't begin to imagine what you are going through, but we know you must be so amazing, brave and loving for blessing your child and a family with the gift of adoption.



We hope, we pray, we dream



We love the beach!

**Our biggest dream is to become parents and have a family together.**

**S**ince we have been married we have struggled to start a family naturally and have also been unsuccessful in fertility treatment attempts. Unfortunately, we are unable to have biological children. However, through our struggles, we have always felt that adoption was truly our destined path in life to become parents and give a child a secure and loving home. We would like you to know that your child would be so loved and cherished as all we ever wanted was to become parents and fill that missing piece in our lives. We promise to provide a childhood that allows your child to experience the joys of life and follow their dreams.

# OUR STORY

starts

with just a little bit of **MAGIC!**

Christy and Jim met online and instantly had a connection. During the first date, Jim amazed Christy with a magic trick that made a rose appear out of a flash of fire. It was love from that night on.

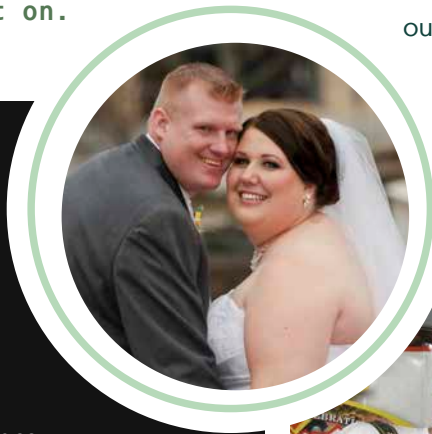


Enjoying a beautiful sunset in the nearby city

**We both share similar interests, beliefs and morals and consider family and friends the most important aspects of our lives.**

Although we have things in common, we also have different personalities that balance each of us and make us better together. We both came into our relationship knowing we wanted to be married and become parents. In the evenings after work, we like to eat dinner together, watch a TV series or movies, and play with our dogs. On the weekends we love to plan time to see family and friends or exploring our area. We LOVE to travel and experience different places and cultures. We both have lived in different states and countries in our lives and we continue our traveling traditions as often as we can. We believe there is a great big world out there waiting to be discovered and we hope we can continue our travel adventures with our children as a family someday.

**We promise to**



- **Create a strong family bond** and pass down our family traditions while creating new traditions and memories that also honor our children's background and culture

- Set a good example and teach our children to have **strong morals and values**

- **Have open and honest communication** embracing adoption as part of our family story



Enjoying German culture at Oktoberfest



Halloween party with friends

## Our Adoption Promises

- Provide our children a good education and be actively involved in their learning and development

- Be active in our community and have inspiring role models for our children

- Raise our children in a loving Christian household that respects other beliefs and cultures

- Provide a well-rounded childhood with the ability to experience sports, arts, culture and travel

About

# Christy

written by Jim

Christy is the most thoughtful and generous person. She thinks of others more than herself. She is a faithful wife as well as a true friend.

I love her sense of humor as she can be very playful and goofy. She loves to sing even when she is mostly off key and makes up her own songs. She loves the Dave Matthews Band and sings along with him every car ride we go somewhere. I think not having children is what is most missing in her life (or both of us for that matter). Family is very important to her. Watching her nieces and nephews growing up has been her biggest joy in life. Going to any of their functions or games to support them has had an affect on her. We just can't wait to do these things with our own children.



Christy is right at home with her Chicago sports teams



**Christy has a passion for baking and particularly cake decorating.**

Christy's mom was a fantastic baker and

Christy became her helper in the kitchen during her childhood. Christy's love for baking grew as she became older

and decided to take some cake decorating classes for fun. Learning the skills to bake and decorate cakes gave Christy the opportunity to start making birthday, holiday, and even wedding cakes for her nieces, nephews, friends and family. Christy still loves to bake and make cake creations as a hobby. She hopes that she can start a new tradition of making her children's birthday cakes each year when she becomes a parent.

Christy baking macarons with her nieces and sister-in-law





## About

# Jim

written by Christy

Jim is a very caring, calm and quiet man. He wears his heart on his sleeve and would do anything for the people he loves. Jim appreciates the simple things and knows we must be grateful for everything we have been blessed with in life.

Jim has strong Christian morals and beliefs and is so very intelligent (especially with random movie trivia from when he used to work at the movie theater as a teenager). I know he will make the most loving and caring father as he has always wanted to have his own family. I imagine Jim as the dad who is firm but fun and ensures his children are given all of the opportunities in life to follow their dreams. I am grateful to call Jim my husband, my soulmate and partner in life and cannot wait to parent and raise a family with him by my side. Any child would be lucky to call Jim "dad".



Jim and our pups with their stockings on Christmas morning

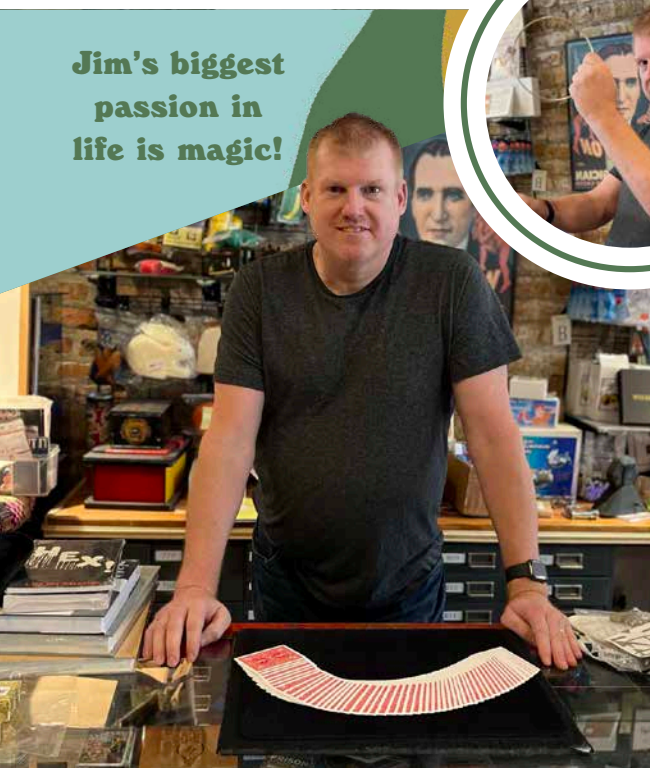
Jim relaxing on the porch



A nature walk at the nearby state park



Jim's biggest passion in life is magic!



He always had an interest in magic growing up, but never started learning until later in life. Jim taught himself through books, videos and seminars and eventually became a Professional Magician and created his own magic company. Jim performs close-up magic mostly at restaurants, bars, parties, and corporate events. Jim is hoping that eventually this passion for magic becomes a full-time career of bringing people joy and wonderment.

# Meet Our Loved Ones

We both come from big extended families that mostly live still in the Midwest.



**W**e both have a younger brother and sister that live close enough to visit on weekends. We have six nieces and nephews and we are very involved in their lives growing up and love them like our own. Our nieces and nephews are very active in sports and we love to go watch their baseball, basketball, soccer, volleyball, football games whenever we can!



Jim sharing his love of Harry Potter with our niece



Christy at a family holiday party with her dad, brother and sister

**We love getting together on the weekends just to hang out...**

...and we especially like playing board games or going to the movies. We get together as a big family for every birthday and holiday to celebrate and we even have hosted at our home our big extended families (including aunts, uncles, cousins, and kids) together for a Christmas party.



Jim's cousins celebrating family birthdays together



Christy's aunt teaching the family how to make our family traditional polish pierogi recipe



With our princess niece



Enjoying baseball games in the summers with family

THE PLACE

we call

# Home Sweet Home



We live in Illinois in a family friendly suburban community that is close to both the benefits of a big city as well as the quiet beauty of the country. Our neighborhood is full of families with children that play outside in all four seasons. We love living in a place where we can enjoy snowy, cold winter nights cuddled up at home, brisk fall weather exploring pumpkin patches, planting flowers in the cool spring sunshine, and hot and sunny summers on a lake. We live right near some state parks and lakes where families can enjoy walking and biking trails, fishing, boating and other outdoor activities. We are also a close drive to a big city where there are all kinds of amenities, culture and adventures. We live in a newer spacious home with a big fenced-in backyard that backs up to a small local farm. We love to spend time outside on our patio having BBQs and envision us also playing with our children and dogs in our backyard.



Gorgeous spring day on our porch

Christy planning cake designs in her baking pantry



Hanging out in our family room with our pups. We can't wait for a child to join us!



We're so proud of our dogs for receiving their Canine Good Citizen titles!

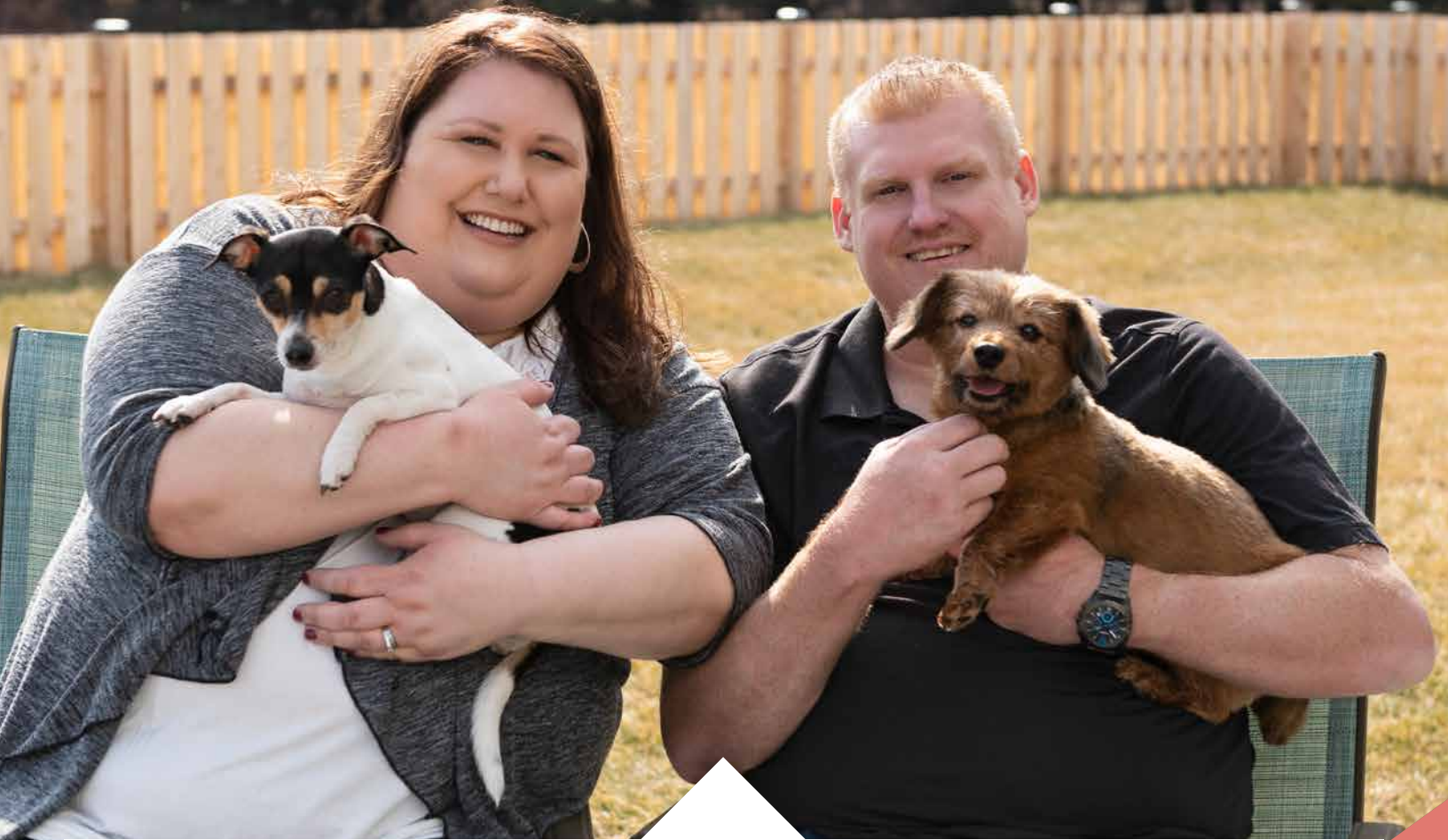
Leia (left) and Chewie (right) are best friends!



## Our 'Fur' Babies

We have 2 small and sweet rescue dogs that we affectionately call our 'fur babies' Chewbacca and Leia (named after Jim's love of Star Wars). We love our dogs with all our hearts and treat them as our family. We celebrate their birthdays and their 'Gotcha Days' each year with a special dog cake or treat. We enjoy going on walks and playing with our dogs. We create bonding time with them during various training classes we have taken together. Chewbacca (aka Chewie) and Leia both have received their American Kennel Club (AKC) Canine Good Citizen (CGC) titles and we are so proud to be their dog parents.

# Thank you so much!



Thank you for taking the time to learn a little bit more about us.

It is hard to capture your life onto these pages, but we hope we gave you a glimpse into who we are as a couple and who we would love to become as parents.

**W**e are loving, caring and open-minded people that promise to support and cherish your child and give them a beautiful life.

You will always be an important person in our family's story. We hope you will help us fill in the missing piece in our lives by considering us to become the parents for your child through the gift of adoption.

**WITH LOVE AND PEACE, CHRISTY & JIM**