



ZACH *and* MACKENZIE



EVERY FAMILY HAS A STORY,
welcome to ours.

HELLO!

THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME
TO LEARN ABOUT OUR FAMILY.

We want you to know how much we admire your courage and generosity as you consider adoption for your child. If you decide that adoption is the path you will take, it is our hope that you would consider us to love them infinitely. We are committed to raising your child so that they will know the huge sacrifice you made for them and ensure they know that you that you love them unconditionally.

Our profile is a small glimpse into who we are. We hope that through the story of our family, you will come to know the love and support we have for each other, our love for adventure, travel, togetherness and the love and care that we would give to your child forever.

We look forward to getting to know you and providing the love and support you need to make this difficult decision for you and your baby, no matter what you decide. We don't know how you are feeling as you look through these pages, but we thank you for being here.

WITH LOVE,

ZACH *and* MACKENZIE



our STORY

WE MET WHILE WORKING AT A THOMAS
THE TRAIN SUMMER FESTIVAL FOR KIDS
WHEN WE WERE 15.

We reconnected 4 years later after I returned from Nursing School at a young adults retreat through church. We instantly hit it off and went on our first date the very next week. The next year we were engaged and then married in the summer of 2015. We love doing life together! Our love and respect for each other continues to grow each and every day. We enjoy biking, hiking, travelling, game nights, watching movies, and finding new and exciting Market's and Festivals to explore.



We are tremendously blessed to have such a strong relationship and amazing families and friends to support and love on us. We are so excited to see what God has in store for us next.



WHAT LED US TO *adoption?*

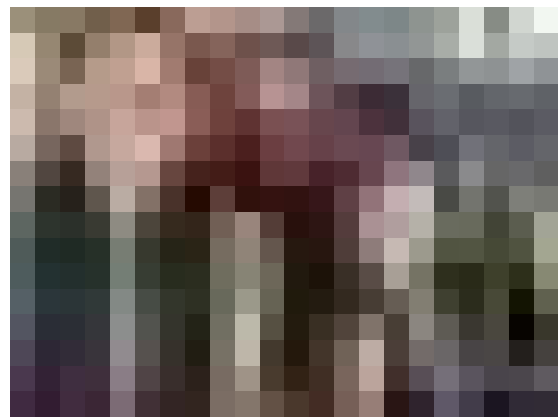
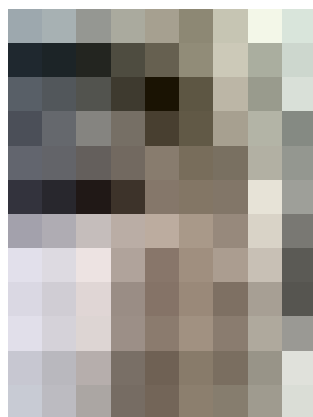
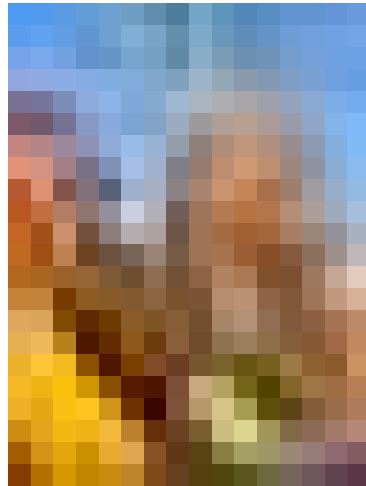
WE ALWAYS KNEW THAT WE WANTED A BIG FAMILY, AND HAD DISCUSSED ADOPTION BEFORE WE DECIDED TO HAVE ANY BIOLOGICAL CHILDREN.

Adoption has always been near to our hearts as we both have family and close friends who were adopted. After the birth of our third child we still wished to grow our family and we knew with confidence that adoption was the right step to take. ***We know that family goes far beyond genetics and love is what makes a family.***



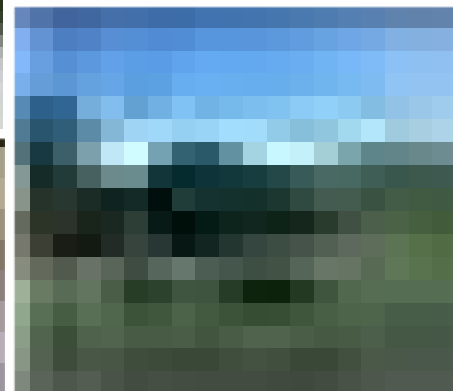
about MACKENZIE

IN ZACH'S WORDS



Mackenzie is determined, passionate and free-spirited. She is the first in line to hold a new baby and is always encouraging and loving on others. She worked as a Nurse casually between staying home with the children and then created her own photography business on the side after having our third child. She loves the outdoors, hiking, roller coasters, DIY's, arcade games, Grey's Anatomy and she really loves cheesecake and ice cream. I know she is an amazing Mom and she is so excited to be on this journey.

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AND FREE-SPIRITED.



about ZACH IN MACKENZIE'S WORDS

Zach is incredibly helpful and detail oriented. When he gets home from work he is quick to take the kids outside to play and on the weekends he usually has something fun planned, like a bike ride, road hockey, a trip to the skate park to drive their RC trucks or an indoor game of "the floor is lava." He is patient in letting them help him work in the garage and teaching them to build and fix things.

Zach works as an Electrical Engineer Technician and he loves his job, but he is very committed to being present in the lives of his children. I know he is so excited to have the opportunity to raise a precious daughter.

Zach is
HARD-WORKING, DRIVEN,
ORGANIZED AND FUN.

OUR LITTLE *crew*



MALIKAI IS 9 YEARS OLD.

He is determined, adventurous and creative. He loves to dig for worms and has no fear of creepy crawlies. He also loves to bike, fish, swim, build lego, drive RC cars and try new foods. Malikai has been asking for a baby sister for the last two years and can't wait to help feed and change her diaper.

OREN IS 8 YEARS OLD.

He is free spirited, adventurous and feels everything very deeply. He loves anything outdoors – swimming, biking, driving cars, sledding, ATV'ing. He also loves puzzles and lego and makes friends everywhere we go. Oren is so excited to snuggle the new baby and give her 1000 kisses.



ELLIS IS 7 YEARS OLD.

He is loving, adventurous, silly and determined. He is very go with the flow and is happy to join in on any activity. He loves riding his bike and scooter, swimming, playing nerf guns, helping in the kitchen and building with magnetic tiles. Ellis will make a great big brother because of his servant heart.



OUR BOYS
BRING SO
MUCH JOY
TO OUR
lives.

home sweet HOME



WE LIVE IN A QUAIN T HOME THAT SITS ON 19 ACRES.
WE HAVE LOTS OF ROOM FOR THE KIDS TO RUN & PLAY.



Our home is located in a small town just outside of a bigger city. It really is the best of both worlds. We live in a very safe & friendly community where the boys play sports and attend school. We love that we are close to church and life groups, as well as our friends and family. **We currently have four cats and 30 chickens, but we have plans to raise other farm animals in the future.** We are all excited for that! We can't wait to decorate a space in our home for a daughter.

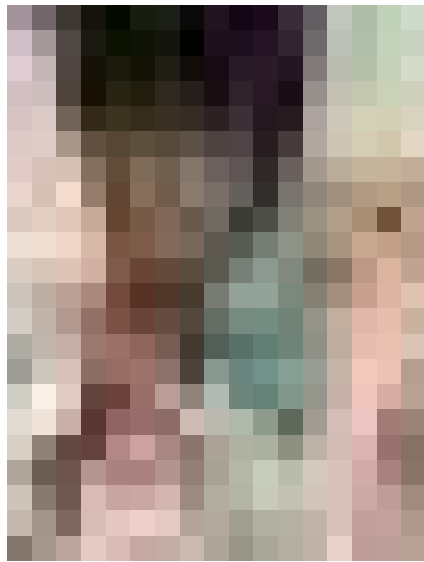


OUR COMMUNITY

We live in a great community with so many opportunities. There are playgrounds, water parks, sports, festivals, bike trails, tractor pulls and a great private school for the kids to attend. We also have an amazing, diverse and close knit church family that highly values adoption.



extended FAMILY



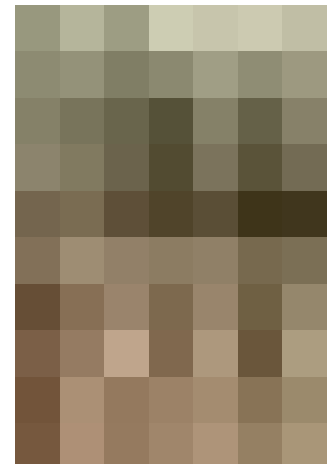
MACKENZIE'S FAMILY:

I grew up in a small city with my four siblings. I was very close to my family growing up. Family dinners were a priority and we had family reunions every summer. My Dad always helped coach our sport teams and my Mom was there for everything. To this day, my Mom is still my best friend.

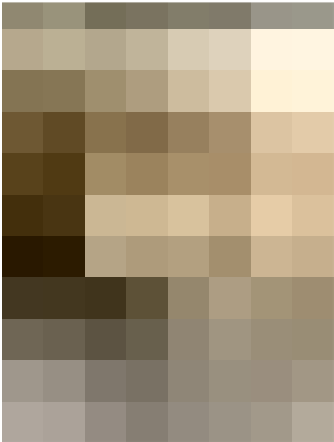
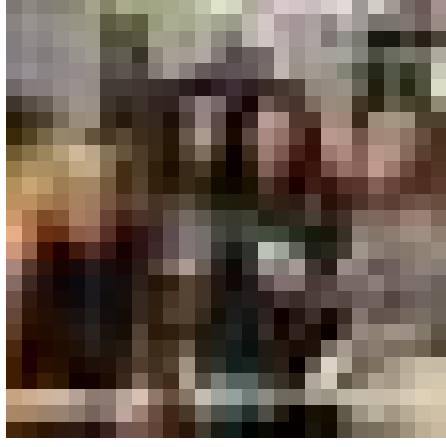


MACKENZIE'S FAMILY

Years later we still do annual family reunions and it's always a highlight for everyone. My family has always been very loving and loyal. They can't wait to love on another grand-baby.



ZACH'S FAMILY: I grew up in a small town with my two siblings. I was very close with family growing up and had a very tight knit church community. My parents really valued family time so we always had dinner together each night. We saw extended family often and celebrated Thanksgiving and Christmas with the whole family every year. I am still close to my immediate and extended family.



IN THIS FAMILY



WE CELEBRATE, WE ADVENTURE, WE LAUGH, WE SNUGGLE,
WE HAVE FUN, WE LOVE UNCONDITIONALLY!



IT'S OKAY TO BE SCARED.
BEING SCARED MEANS
YOU'RE ABOUT TO DO SOMETHING
really, really brave.

// MANDY HALE //

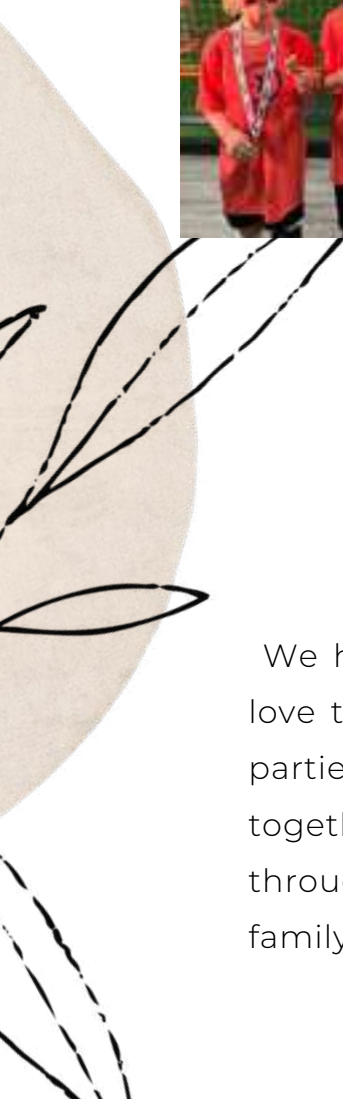




our FRIENDS

WE HAVE BEEN SO BLESSED
BY OUR FRIENDSHIPS.

We have an amazing community that we do life with regularly. We love to do dinners, chill cook off's, game nights, ugly Christmas sweater parties, hiking, celebrations, park dates and we even travel, camp and RV together. All of our friends are so supportive in us growing our family through adoption and are so excited to meet the new addition to our family whenever that may be.



our TRAVELS

We have done a lot of travelling within Canada and the United States all with our children in tow. We have stayed in cottages, air bnb's, hotels and our travel trailer. We recently travelled all along the coast from North Carolina to Florida and back up to Michigan. Our favourite spot was Tybee Island and Disney World. We plan to continue to travel once we bring baby home. We can't wait to include her in all of our adventures.



NEW SMYRNA BEACH



TOMOKA STATE PARK



DISNEY



CASPERSEN BEACH



SILVER GLEN SPRINGS



OUR promises

WE UNDERSTAND PARENTING IS A LIFELONG COMMITMENT AND NOT ONE WE TAKE LIGHTLY. IF YOU CHOOSE US AS ADOPTIVE PARENTS...

We promise you, more than anything, that we will love your child unconditionally.

We promise to teach her to love without limits, to laugh and be adventurous and silly.

We promise to encourage her hopes and dreams and to provide her with the best possible tools needed for her success.

We want you to be a part of your child's life. To celebrate with her and be updated as much as you feel comfortable. **We are committed to** making sure your child always knows where she came from and the tremendous sacrifice you made out of love.

Thank you for opening yourself up in the most vulnerable way and potentially allowing us to be a part of your life. We appreciate you taking the time to learn about who we are and how your beautiful child will be loved and welcomed into our lives.

ZACH, MACKENZIE,
MALIKAI, OREN *and* ELLIS

