



TODD
BONNIE
ANNIE

created with love

 *Our Hopes and Dreams for your baby . . .*

Our lives have been forever changed by the adoption of our daughter, Annie. We are hoping to discover again the wonder and excitement of welcoming another child into our home.

We have been married for 12 years and are as committed to each other today as we were when we first said our vows. Being parents to Annie has brought us even closer together and allowed us to strengthen our bonds as a family. We are determined to be the best parents we can be and to instill our children with self-confidence, compassion for others and strong moral values.

Although we are unable to have biological children, we consider Annie to be ours in every possible way. Adoption was simply the means of bringing to us a child we were always meant to have. We have openly shared Annie's adoption story with her and have found that through honest communication, she has a firm understanding on her unshakable place in our family. We know we can offer the same acceptance, honesty, and compassion to another child and look forward to experiencing the true beauty of adoption again.

Please know that we will offer your child the best parts of ourselves and we are confident that we have so much more love to give as parents. We want Annie to have the privilege of sharing her life with a sibling and we know she will make a devoted and caring big sister. Your child will experience love every day in our home!

Our prayers and thoughts will be with you as you consider all of your options.





Our Values and Beliefs as Parents

We share a common faith in God and are committed to living our lives in a manner that is pleasing to Him. We regularly attend church and are excited daily to teach Annie about the unconditional love that God offers. We believe that our actions speak to our faith and strive to live with honesty, humility and respect for others. We know that it was God's grace that led Annie to us and we look forward to being examples of God's grace and mercy to another child.

Our main goal in raising our children is that they be compassionate people of conscience who are productive members of society. Although we both received higher education and will encourage our children in the same path, we know that there are many ways to contribute to one's community. We trust that by providing the basics of a secure home, a sound education and a solid background of faith that our children will find their own path to making this world a better place.

Todd is an openly affectionate father and loves to spend time with "his girls." He never tires of reading stories, playing Barbies or teaching Annie about the world around her. Everyday, Annie looks forward to watching for her Daddy's car so she can jump into his arms to welcome him. Away from the home, Todd is Vice President for a Sales and Marketing company where his outgoing and friendly personality make him well respected by his co-workers and customers. Always an active person, he is a hard worker and never evades responsibility when things need to be done.

Bonnie is a bit more introverted, but truly enjoys making others feel special and loved. She adores children and her love for them led her to become a pediatrician. Working for a very flexible pediatric practice two days a week allows Bonnie to spend most of her time at home on her most important job, being a Mommy. Bonnie is a patient and nurturing mother. She encourages Annie to express her creative side and loves their frequent trips to the local library to explore new books. Annie knows who can best kiss her "ouchies" and who gives the best tickles.

Our Family

We grew up only 30 minutes away from each other, but didn't meet until college. We dated for a year and a half before we were married in 1997 and we have spent the last 12 years cultivating a solid and loving relationship. It seems we can finish each other's thoughts with uncanny accuracy and even have the same food cravings. We rarely fight, share similar life-goals and enjoy spending time together, even if it's just doing the laundry. Recently we held a ceremony to renew our wedding vows and again solidified our commitment to each other.

In 2006, we were blessed with Annie through adoption. We fell in love with her instantly and as she grows, we continually discover new and wonderful things about her. She is a very loving, affectionate and curious child. Although she can quietly entertain herself, she blossoms around other children. She has an incredible memory and loves to let you know what she's learned each day.

We feel our families are our most important assets. They provide us with never ending support and have been wonderful role models for lasting and loving relationships. Each married for over 40 years, our parents did an excellent job fostering our independence as we grew up and as adults, they have respected our decisions. Our parents are absolutely enamored with their grandchildren. They spend countless hours providing childcare and are always patient and generous.



Between us, we have two brothers and two sisters. We are all close and enjoy spending time as an extended family. In recent years, our focus has shifted to new children entering the family, but we still try to maintain strong sibling relationships. Our nieces and nephews range from 6 months to twelve years of age and Annie carries around their pictures in a special wallet. She loves to spend time with her cousins whenever possible.

Our families both enjoy large family gatherings and we get together for holidays every year. We also frequently take extended family vacations, enjoying biking trips to Colorado or beach going on the coast.

Everyone is excited for us to expand our family again through adoption. They were incredibly supportive through Annie's adoption and have committed to praying for us as we proceed in what we feel is God's plan for our lives.



Our Home

We live in a small town, just north of Kansas City in a very family-oriented neighborhood. Our favorite activities are ones that we can share together at home. We take walks or bike rides, go to the neighborhood playground and swim at the pool right across the street. The neighborhood is full of children and there are always neighborhood sponsored activities including Annie's favorites, the annual Fall Festival and Cookies with Santa. We love to cook meals together and enjoy having friends and family over to our home. Our friends are all in the midst of expanding their families, so get-togethers are always kid centric. The family pet is our little beagle, Maggie who is as tame as they come. She loves Annie and tolerates a whole lot of tail pulling and ear tugging without any complaint.



We know that the decision to place a child in an adoptive home is difficult and we hope that in getting to know us, you will feel more at ease with your final decision, whatever that may be. We are thankful that you are taking the time to get to know us and hope that our profile provides you with a glimpse into our personalities as individuals and as a family.