



Caleb & Caroline







We're Caleb & Caroline

*Thank you for reading our story*





*If chosen to raise your child, we want you to know we will love them with every part of us.*



*Our letter to you*

# Dear Mama,



The first thing we would like to say is "Thank you." Thank you for making an impossible decision and one that you feel is best for your child. Thank you for considering us to raise your child. **We cannot imagine what you have wrestled with to come to this decision, and we want you to know we admire you so much and think you are so brave.** You will always be your baby's first mom, and we will make sure your child knows that. And, you will always be part of us because of this incredible act of selflessness. If chosen to raise your child, we want you to know we will love them with every part of us. **We have both dreamt of being parents for as long as we can remember,** and our shared desire to be parents was one of the things that made us fall in love with each other when we met. Your child will have a large, extended family full of cousins, aunts, uncles, and grandparents who are so loving and fun. **We will dream for and with your baby and do everything we can to help them reach their dreams and succeed in whatever they set their mind to.** We will be their biggest fans and biggest supporters.

From our hearts,

*Caleb & Caroline*





*why we are adopting*





# Hearts For Adoption

*Adoption has been a part of our dream since we first met.*

Adoption has been something we have talked about since early into dating. I (Caroline) have had an interest in adoption since high school, but it grew in college when I took college classes that led me to a career in social work. Caleb has always had a strong desire to be a father and felt a pull on his heart that adoption would be part of that journey. **When we met, we began talking about our shared desire to be parents and raise a family together and quickly realized that adoption was something we each saw as being part of that story.** We have struggled with infertility, which has led us to adoption sooner than we expected, but it was always part of the plan. We do not consider adoption as “plan B” in growing our family. We had two “plan A’s”: to have biological children and to adopt, and **we truly feel that adoption is the next right step for us.** We believe that we all have different callings in our lives and different passions that have been placed on our hearts, and for us, one of those things is adoption.





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# - Our Love Story -

**June 2019**

Started Dating

**Nov. 2019**

Engaged

**Oct. 2020**

Married

## HOW IT ALL BEGAN

We met at our local gym, where we both worked out regularly. We had both noticed each other for a little while before one of my (Caroline's) friends made the move to speak to Caleb. She tracked him down one day to tell him he looked like her nephew, and a little while later, he came over to where I was with that friend, and we all began talking. I invited him to come to my spin class the next evening, and he promised he would do his best depending on his work schedule. The next evening, although he was a little late, he came to my spin class, and the rest is history. The following week, we went on a group date with some friends, and then the following week, we went on our first official date. Outside of our initial physical attraction to one another, one of the things that attracted both of us to the other from the start was how we are both very family-oriented. Family is important to both of us, and we are both close with our families. We met each other's families quickly, spent a lot of our dating life with each other's families, and we still spend a lot of time with each other's families. I (Caroline) was attracted to the way Caleb loved his family, was a hard worker, his integrity and character. I (Caleb) was first and foremost attracted to the fact that she was a godly woman. I also liked that she was patient, forgiving, and unselfish.

## OUR RELATIONSHIP TODAY

We have been married for three years! The years have flown by, but on the other hand, we feel like we have known each other forever. Some of our favorite things about our marriage are our shared faith, our shared goals for our future, the way we dream together, the way we fit right into each other's families, the things we do together, and the fun we have together. We are each other's best friends and love coming home to each other every day. Over the years, we have really learned to communicate better and better with each other. It is not perfect by any means, but we have grown separately and together in how we communicate and resolve conflict. One of the most important things we have found to be beneficial is that we do not go to bed or leave each other when upset or in the middle of a disagreement. We apologize and make sure the other is heard before either going our separate ways or leaving the house to go be with others. When we do disagree, we talk it out, even if it takes a while. We communicate with each other throughout the day. Whether it's one short phone call in the middle of the day, a few short phone calls throughout the day, or just texting throughout the day. And then, in the evenings, we take time, even if it's just a few minutes, to check in with each other and talk about our days or anything that is going on.





# MEET CALEB

I look forward to watching our child grow, achieve their goals, instill in them a good work ethic, show them how to love their mom, and just being their dad. I can't wait to provide for them, taking care of their every need. I can't wait to see our child become part of mine and Caroline's families. They are all so excited to love on, to hold, and to instill our family's values in their life.

**dependable . trustworthy  
hard-working . family man  
caring . loving . honest  
straightforward**

**MY GREATEST PRAYER FOR  
MY CHILD IS THAT THEY  
GROW UP TO LOVE GOD  
AND LOVE PEOPLE. WHEN  
I THINK ABOUT WHAT THIS  
WORLD NEEDS MORE THAN  
ANYTHING, IT'S LOVE.**

## *I Enjoy:*

- 01** QUALITY TIME WITH  
FAMILY & FRIENDS
- 02** PLAYING GUITAR
- 03** WORKING OUT

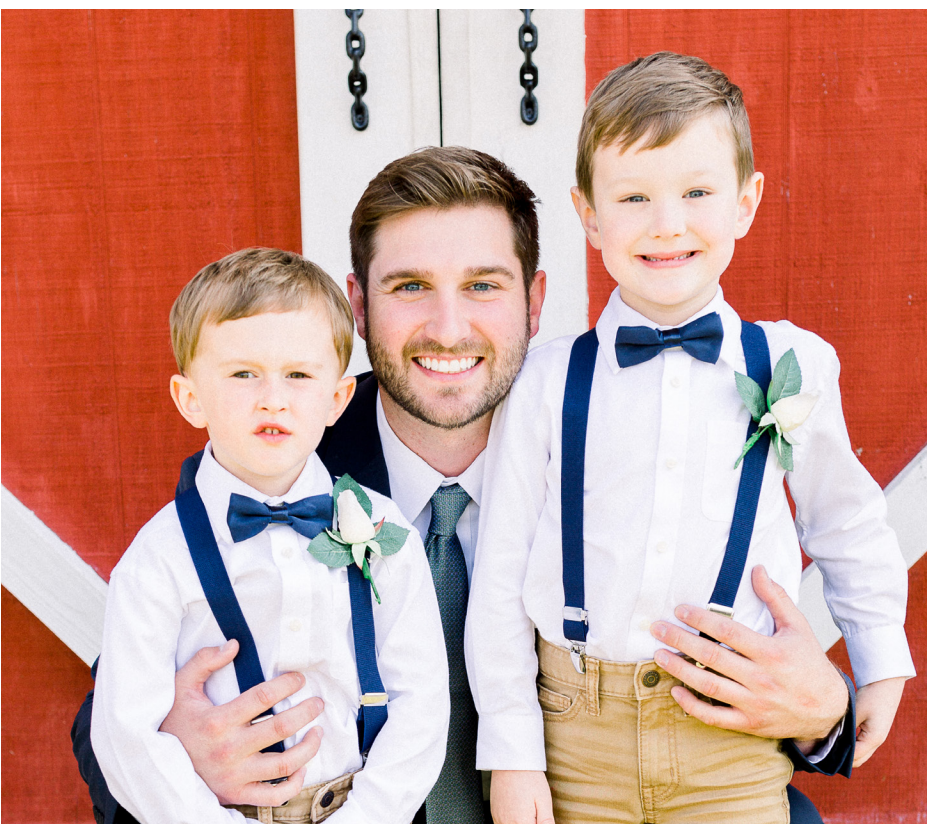




## CAREER

### Project Manager

I am a project manager for a Life Safety company specializing in Commercial Fire Alarm systems and Fire Sprinkler systems. It is very family-friendly and flexible. My company has been super supportive throughout this process and has told me to take off all the time I need to. They know how important this is for me.







# MEET CAROLINE

I have always dreamed of being a mom and raising a family. I am looking forward to the extra laughs and joy that having a child in the home will bring. I look forward to traveling with our children and taking them to all our favorite places. I'm excited to share our current family traditions and create our own new family traditions with a child. I am looking forward to teaching them, guiding them, and seeing them grow into the person they were created to be. I am looking forward to seeing what their interests, passions, and talents are and being a part of facilitating and encouraging those. I am looking forward to being all they need: their source of comfort, encouragement, support, guidance, strength, and love. I am even looking forward to the hard parts of parenthood that are inevitably part of it.

**selfless . nurturing . caring**  
**loyal . dependable**

**I HOPE THEY KNOW THEY  
ARE LOVED AND VALUED  
AND THAT WE WILL ALWAYS  
BE THERE FOR THEM NO  
MATTER WHAT. I HOPE THEY  
THRIVE AND GROW INTO  
THE PERSON GOD CREATED  
THEM TO BE.**

*I Enjoy:*

- 01** EXERCISING
- 02** READING
- 03** SPENDING TIME WITH  
FRIENDS & FAMILY





## CAREER

### **Social Worker & Personal Trainer**

I currently have two different part-time jobs; I am a social worker at a foster care and adoption agency, and I am a group fitness instructor/personal trainer at our local gym. My schedule is very flexible. I only work about 5-6 hours per week at the gym, and for my other job, I work as much or as little as I want. As a social worker, I work mainly from home, but do have to go out to do visits and go to the office occasionally. Once the baby arrives, I will either cut back on my hours of total work or completely stop working my social work job.







## *What Caleb Says About* **CAROLINE**

**I admire her patience, her love for others, her selflessness, and her hard work ethic.**

I admire her ideas, her values, her love for the Lord, and her love for me. I admire her business mindset (she is the reason we own a successful vending machine business). **I love her smile; she is always smiling, and it's contagious. She loves to help others, and it speaks volumes to her character.** My wife's gifts are her calmness in stressful situations and the way she listens when I pour my heart out to her, she is the voice of reason in my life. Where I tend to be all-in, she reels me back into reality, which, as a man, keeps me grounded, and as I write this, I am reminded that her greatest gifts are what make me a better man. Watching my wife with children makes the world stop for a minute. She is

phenomenal. She is so sweet and so graceful. We have four nephews and three nieces, and they all love her. When we see them, she is always playing with them, helping with their food, she is always looking to help the parents out any way she can with them. **I think she is going to take after her mother when it comes to her parenting style: comforting, loving, caring, a great listener, and nurturing.** At church, Caroline volunteers in the nursery. She is kind and loving to every child there. Through this adoption, I think Caroline looks forward mostly to this process of seeing our family grow. **Caroline's dream is to be a mother.** It will be the greatest thing to ever happen to Caroline. As her husband, I want to see her dream come true and am grateful for the opportunity through adoption.





## *What Caroline Says About* **CALEB**

**Caleb has integrity and is a man of his word.** He is a hard worker and is dedicated to his role as the provider of our family. He is strong and steady and my rock during hard times. **Caleb is a family man and would do anything for anyone in his family (and mine).**

The way he talked about his family and the relationships he had with them was something I noticed immediately when we met. Caleb is funny and does not take himself too seriously. **He laughs at himself and loves to make me and others laugh. He is intentional in his relationships.** He makes our marriage his highest priority, and I know that all he does is for the betterment of our family. Caleb has six brothers, five of whom are younger than him. **He grew up helping to take care of his younger brothers** and has spent a lot of

time with his many younger cousins. **He is a natural with children and is comfortable with them.** Caleb will truly be the best father. It is one of the reasons I fell in love with him so quickly. I have always wanted a family and to be a mom, and my standards for who I would marry and who would be the father of my children were high. On our second date, we talked about our shared desire to raise a family, and I could tell it was truly the greatest desire he had. **I believe he will parent with intentionality and conviction.** I know he is looking forward to teaching our children and setting a strong example for them in faith and character. He wants time with them and to be present. **He will do everything to be able to be home often and have time with them.** He wants to support them in all they do.



# Our Family Values

## HONESTY

Honesty is a value we mirror in our marriage and is ultimately why our marriage is successful on a daily basis.

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## LOYALTY

We believe that loyalty is essential for building healthy relationships.

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## HARD WORK

We believe that hard work will get us further in life than just our talents and will ultimately pave the path for our success.

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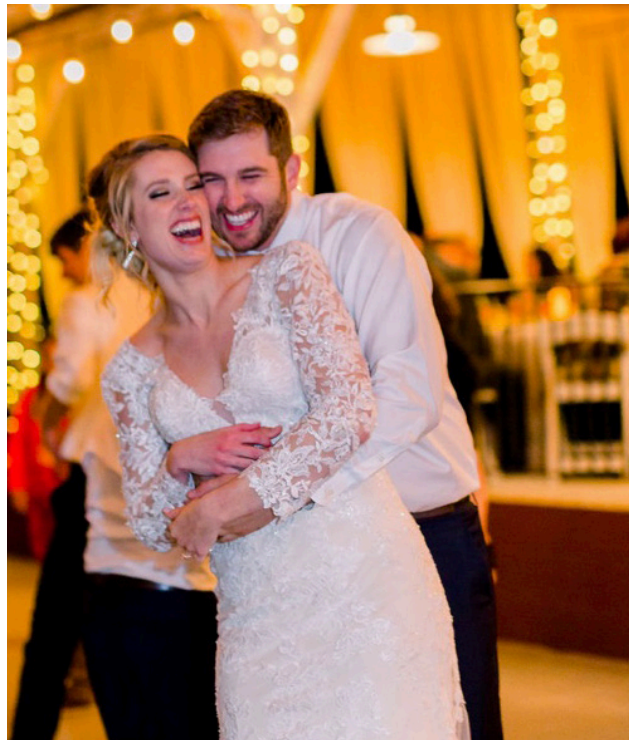
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## FAMILY FIRST

Our parents placed an emphasis on family first and we both loved our experiences growing up. We hope to model this well for our child.









## Piper & Dolly

We have two female dogs who are both Bernedoodles (Bernese Mountain dog/poodle). Dolly is 2.5 years old, and Piper is 1.5 years old. We have had them both since they were 8 weeks old. They both LOVE people, including children. **They both have a very sweet nature. They have been around our nieces and nephews many times, and they love them.** They like to play with them in the backyard and cuddle with them on the couch. One of our nieces has stayed with us at our house overnight on many occasions, and anytime she is in the room sleeping they always lay right outside her door until she is awake.





# Life at Home

Our home is a one-story, brick ranch that was built in 1960. It has three bedrooms, two bathrooms, a kitchen, a living room, a mudroom, and a laundry room. **We live on one acre of land and have a large fenced-in backyard where our dogs love running around.** We have a fire pit in the backyard where we love to have bonfires with family and friends as the temperature cools down. We live at the end of a street with a large field on one side of our house, which provides quiet and privacy. **Our street is generally quiet, with a variety of ethnicities and ages represented.** Our home is small and cozy. **We have worked hard to create an environment that is warm and welcoming.** While home together, we enjoy cooking, watching our favorite shows, spending time with our dogs, dreaming about the future, reading, and playing guitar. We enjoy hosting family and friends and sharing the coziness of our home.

# Our Community

We live in North Carolina, where we both grew up. We are in a small town on the outskirts of a few bigger cities. It is the type of town where everyone knows everyone or at least has an indirect connection with everyone. There is a lot of diversity within our town. **We love to go to our local park, about five minutes away from us, where they have great walking trails, baseball fields, basketball courts, volleyball courts, two playgrounds, picnic tables, and a nice recreation center where they host youth sports, senior exercise classes, community events and much more.** Between this park and our local YMCA, there are great opportunities for youth sports and camps. Each year, our town puts on a town

jamboree event where they host local vendors, local musicians, food trucks, and much more. It is a fun event that draws a large crowd. Our town is very supportive of local charities; there are two main 5K runs that come to mind each year, founded and spearheaded by local individuals, that draw a lot of local community support; one of the charities supports feeding kids in school who are food insecure, and the other supports a different veteran/wounded warrior charity each year. There are five local elementary schools, two middle schools, and two high schools in our area. They are good schools with children who come from families who have attended for generations. **It is a great small-town community to live in!**

# Our Families



## Caleb's Side

My dad and stepmom, Chip and Lisa, live about 1.5 hours away from us with my half-brother, Lucas. My mom, Brook, lives less than five minutes from us with her parents. I have six brothers in total: two full brothers and four half-brothers. My dad and stepmom have one son, Lucas. My two full brothers are Grant and Jacob. Grant and his wife, Sarah, live locally with their five children (Aleah, Desmond, Bennett, Luka, and Sanni). Jacob and his wife, Olivia, live a few states away with their son, Beau, and are currently expecting their second child. My other three brothers are half-brothers from my mom and ex-stepdad. They are all younger and not yet married. Aaron lives a few states away, and Noah and Caden both live with my mom. Most of our aunts, uncles, cousins, and grandparents all live locally as well. One of Caleb's aunts was adopted as an infant.

We have great relationships with each of our extended families. Both sides have frequent get-togethers as often as possible and truly enjoy spending time together. **Our families are very supportive of us in all we do, and are so excited for our family to continue to grow and to have another child to love on!**



## Caroline's Side

My parents, my siblings, and their spouses live nearby. My parents, Tim and Elissa, live less than ten minutes away from us in the house where I spent most of my childhood. My sister, Kathryn, and her husband, David, have one daughter, Ellie, and another baby girl currently on the way. They live about ten minutes away from us. My other sister, Rachel, and her husband, Andrew, are currently expecting their first baby, a boy. They live about five minutes away from us.





*Our families  
cannot wait to  
meet our child.  
They are eager to  
love them, support  
them, and watch  
them grow.*





# Our Hopes & Dreams

*Our main goal is to create a life that balances hard work and creating lasting memories with our family!*

We love to dream together. **Our biggest dream is to grow our family now and in the future.** We would both love to have multiple children in the future. We have dreams and goals to travel as much as possible with our children. We really enjoy Disney World and cannot wait to take our children there. We also love traveling to the beach and to the mountains, and we love to go camping. We plan to take our children to all these places and to experience new places with them! We do plan to stay in the same community but have plans to move into a new house within the next few years. We have a dream to live on more land and are working toward making that dream a reality in the next few years. With that land, we want to have a small farm with chickens, goats, cows,

gardens, and more dogs. Our main goal is to create a life that balances hard work and creating lasting memories with our family! Our child will grow up in a church that has a large children's ministry. It is considered a branch of our church. Church will never be an option but always a priority, just like it was for us. We do believe our church will play a huge role in helping us raise our child, and we trust that our church will do so biblically. **In our household, we will do family devotions and family prayer time, pray with our child before bed every night, pray with them when they are struggling, and pray with them when they are succeeding.** Our families will also play a huge role in their Christian faith as well; we will lean on them for support in helping lead and guide them to Christ daily.





## Education Plans

We plan to either send our children to a private Christian school or to homeschool. We are responsible for our children's education and want to be involved in their curriculum while they are young. We have a desire for them to learn the values we live by in our home. **We don't want to shelter them, but we do want to walk closely with them while they are learning how to make wise choices for themselves.** We like the idea of homeschooling because of the **freedom it would allow, such as making our own schedule and traveling when we want to.** We also believe that children are different, and they all have different needs, including educational needs. **We would ultimately put them in whatever educational setting best suits their needs.**

**We want to support our children the best way we can in their educational pursuits.** We will support them if they want to go to college and will support them if they choose to go to a trade school or begin in the workforce. **We will encourage our children to reach for their potential and pursue their interests and dreams but will not force them in any direction.** We will talk with them about their options and help them put a plan in place. If they want to go to college, we will help them do so, but if they do not, we will help them pave another path. We believe college is not the only way to have a successful future.



# Before You Go...

We would just like to say again how thankful we are for you and the love and admiration we have for you. You will always be in our prayers and will forever hold a special place in our hearts. **We want to assure you that you will not be forgotten and that we will speak highly of you and talk about you in our home.** You will always be your baby's first mom, and we will make sure he/she knows how special and important that is. **We will share their story with them and assure him/her of how much you love them.** Thank you for taking the time to read our profile and getting to know us. It means the world to us to be considered to raise your baby!









A photograph of a young couple standing outdoors in a lush, green park-like setting. The woman, on the left, has long brown hair and is smiling, wearing a black top and a green textured cardigan. The man, on the right, has a beard and is wearing a green t-shirt and light-colored pants. They are standing behind a dark wooden fence. The background is filled with trees and greenery, creating a soft, natural atmosphere. A semi-transparent grey box with white text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

*From our hearts,  
Caleb & Caroline*







