



Lucas



Jacklene

Hello,

We are Lucas and Jacklene from Oregon. First off, we would like to say how much we appreciate you for taking the time to get to know us and consider us as potential adoptive parents for your child. We want you to know how much we admire your strength and courage. Please know we want the best for you and your baby, no matter what you decide. As you look through these pages, we hope that these pictures and words will show you the true story of our lives.

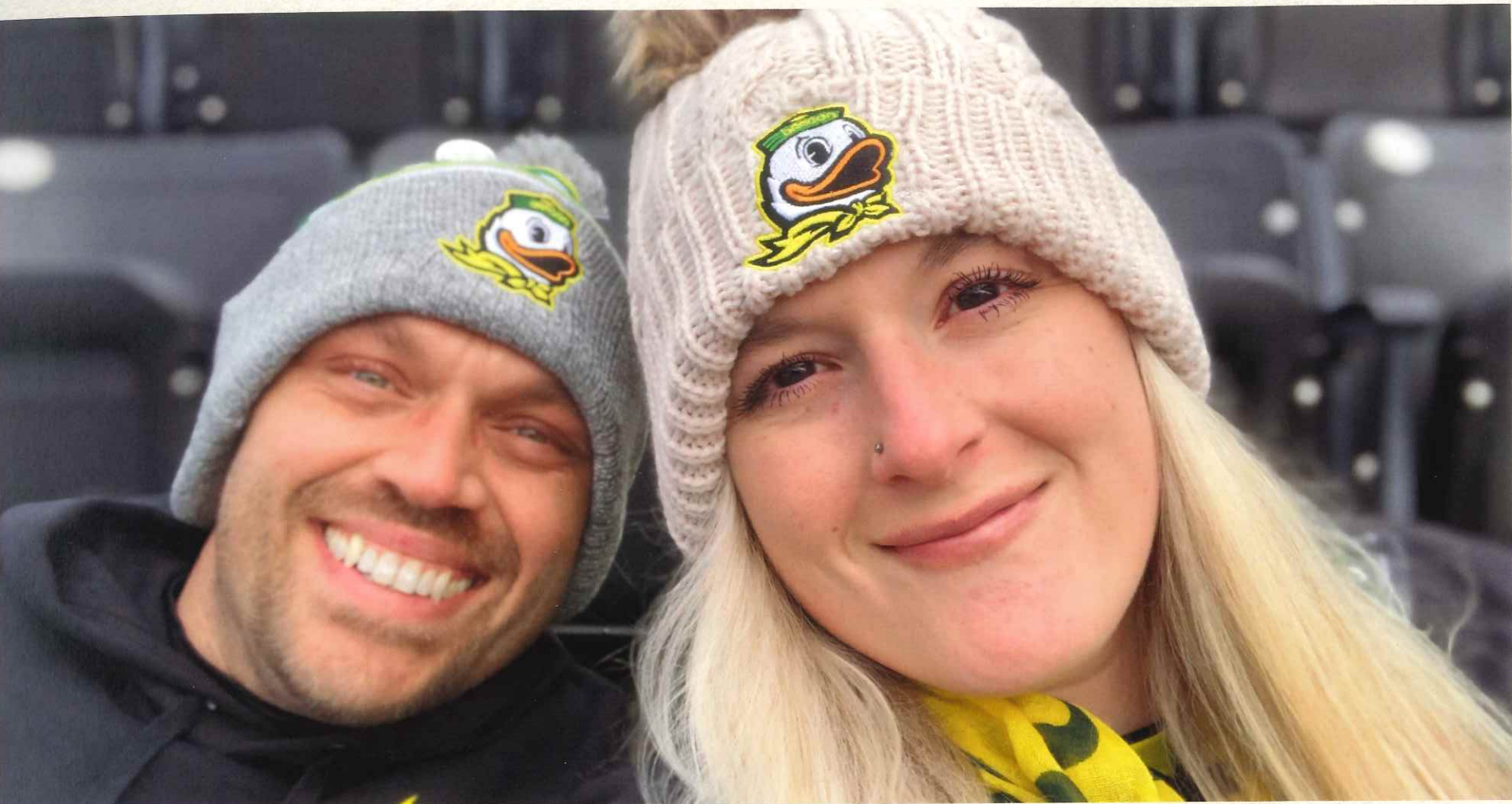
We have been married since August 2016. Since we got married, we have always talked about children and starting a family. Due to chronic health conditions for both of us, we chose adoption. We believe that families are created, and God wants to create our family through adoption. We are excited about starting a family through adoption, and are excited to get to know you.

As you get to know us throughout this book, we hope that you will see the love, life, happiness, and opportunities we have to welcome a child. We are dedicated to providing your child with the same positive, loving, and caring upbringing that we were both given. We would love for you and your child to be a part of our world.

With Much Love,

Lucas & Jacklene





About Us



We met in December 2014 through mutual friends. We were both working on the Warm Springs Indian Reservation at that time - Lucas as a teacher and Jacklene as a nurse. To this day, Lucas is still a teacher and Jacklene is still a nurse. Our first date consisted of dinner and a movie. From the first date, we both knew we wanted to spend a lifetime together. After being together for a few years, Lucas proposed on January 1, 2016. About 8 months later, we got married.

We enjoy doing many different things together including watching sports, taking hikes/walks, going to the movies, spending quality time together, going on dinner dates, and much more. During football and basketball season, we attend some of the University of Oregon Duck games.

We both love to be outside, whether that be taking a beautiful hike or a walk around the neighborhood. We enjoy cooking together in the kitchen and having sit-down family meals.

Open, honest communication and being able to laugh together helps us grow both as individuals and as a couple. We never take a single day for granted. We always make sure to show our love and appreciation for one another.

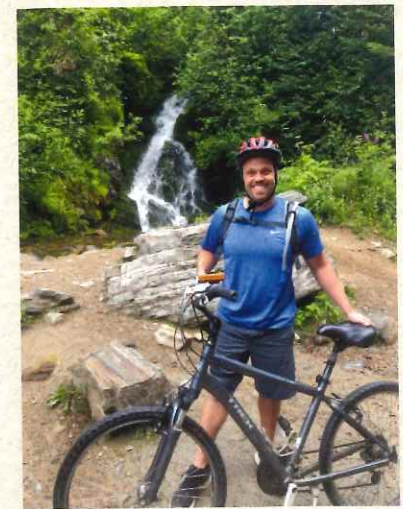
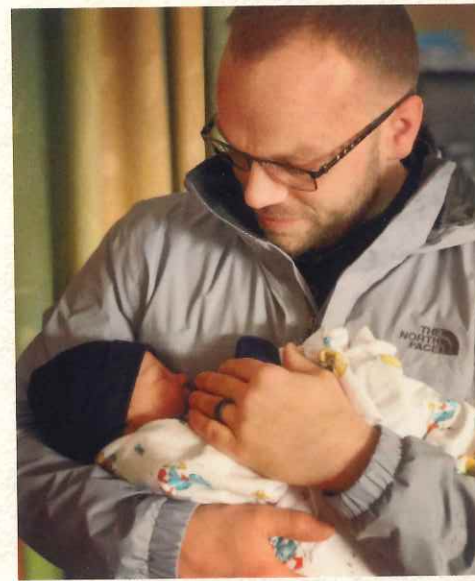


Introducing Lucas (by Jacklene)

There are no words that could describe how blessed I am to have Lucas in my life. He is someone who has loved me from the beginning, and continues to love me through the good times and the hard times. Lucas is a loving husband, family man, compassionate leader, faithful and honest friend, and works hard to support his family.

He is someone who loves to interact with children, whether that be in his professional role as a teacher, or loving on his nieces and nephews. He enjoys good laughs and has a whimsical personality. Lucas is very adventurous. He loves to explore the outdoors and travel. Lucas is very outgoing, likes to try new things, enjoys cooking, and loves to meet new people any chance he gets.

He will do what it takes to meet the needs of those he loves and cares about deeply.



5 Things I Love About Lucas

- * His whimsical personality
- * His love for me, his family, and his friends
- * His constant encouraging and loving words
 - * His dedication and hard work
 - * His support for me since the beginning



Introducing Jacklene (by Lucas)

From the first time I saw her, I knew she was someone special. A beautiful smile, charming personality, caring, kind, and a sense of humor. I love how she carries herself at work, and stands true to what she believes in. She loves the Lord and conducts herself in a Biblical manner. I know that those same standards will be used to raise our child to be a positive influence in our society.

I love that she can put up with my cheesy sense of humor. She can be goofy, romantic, or serious if needed. We have many of the same likes: traveling, teaching, cooking, giving/receiving presents, making time to spend together, or watching our favorite show together to unwind after a long day.

No words can describe how grateful I am to have her in my life. She is always there for me, and helps support me in my endeavors. She is the love of my life, and I will always cherish her.

5 Things I Love About Jacklene

- * Dependable wife
- * Compassionate nurse
- * Helpful at home and at church
- * Giving of her time and money
- * Reliable and romantic

About Lucas (by Lucas)



I was born in Eugene, Oregon, and was raised within the area during my childhood years. I am the youngest of three kids with an older brother and sister. Throughout my childhood, I spent much of my time swimming, playing hide and seek, and other outdoor activities on the property.

When I was growing up I loved to play sports. Each year I played basketball, soccer, and baseball. At an early age, I began taking piano lessons, continuing into my college years. As an adult, I enjoy creating special meals for my family, writing, working out, teaching children to be healthy, playing and watching sports, sitting by a campfire, outdoor adventures, or relaxing with a good book or watching a movie. Since I was young, I have loved traveling.

I am passionate about Christ, and strive to live like Christ so I can be a positive example for my family, friends, co-workers, and students. Family and friends are very important to me. I enjoy creating and maintaining relationships with others.

For the past 17 years, I have been a grade school and PE teacher. I have worked with children of many diverse cultures and economic backgrounds. Throughout my time as a teacher, I have enjoyed creating special bonds and relationships with students and colleagues.



Siblings are forever -
Gabrielle, Jonathan, and I



About Jacklene (by Jacklene)

I was born in Camarillo, California and grew up in a small town in Oregon during my childhood and adolescent years. I was named after my maternal grandparents. My grandfather's first name was Jack and my grandmother's first name is Ellene: Jack + Ellene (minus the first E and L) = Jacklene. I was blessed with a younger sister, Megan, when I was 2.5 years old.

As a child, I enjoyed doing many things: helping my father on the farm, going on family trips, taking dance lessons, going on missions trips to Mexico, and much more. To this day, I still enjoy doing a variety of activities: spending quality time with family/friends, going to the movies, traveling, shopping, reading, completing puzzles, etc.

Ever since I was a young child, I have had a big heart in caring for others. This passion of mine led me to becoming a nurse. During college, I had a spectacular opportunity to provide health care to people in Taipei, Taiwan. I could spend a lot of time talking about my experience there, but the one thing I enjoyed the most was creating relationships with the Taiwanese people, and learning all about their culture and history.

Most people would say I am compassionate, caring, kind, generous, persistent, quiet, loyal, loving, confident, supportive, observant, hard working, and reliable. I enjoy helping and supporting others. My passion in caring and educating others still shines true today.



Loving on a Taiwanese baby



Our nephew, Elliott

Our Family

Both of us cherish and value our families. Our close bonds with our family is a big part of who we are. We share many memories with our families. We attribute many of our morals and values to our families. Our families enjoy spending the holidays, special occasions, and birthdays together.

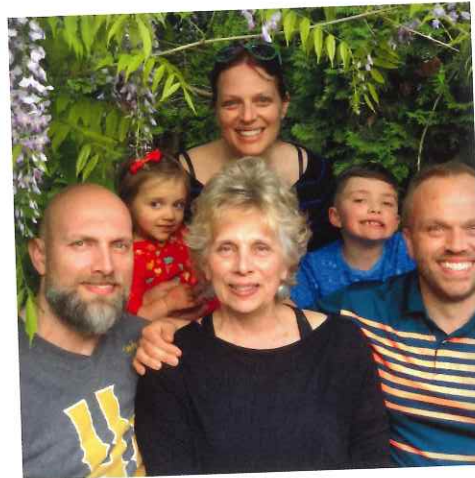
Lucas grew up with an older sister and older brother. His parents divorced when he was 11 years old. Even though his parents are divorced, they are still cordial and attend family events and gatherings together. Jacklene grew up with a younger sister. Her parents are still married to this day, and have been married for 35 years.

Our parents are already grandparents, but cannot wait to welcome another child into their loving arms. We both are very fortunate and blessed to have the families we do.

Jacklene's family - parents, sister, brother-in-law, niece, and nephew



Our niece, Carmen



Lucas' family - brother, sister, mother, niece, and nephew



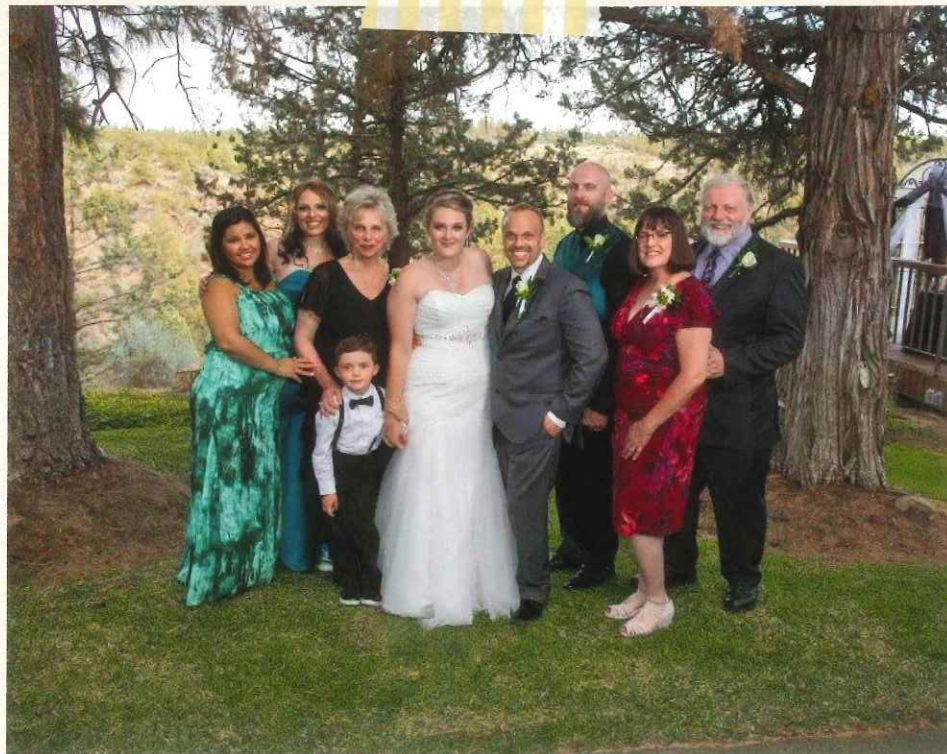
Our nephew, Elliott



Jacklene's parents, grandmother, and sister



Our nephew, Elliott



Lucas' family - siblings, nephew, mother, father, and step-mother



Jacklene's grandparents, parents, and sister



Jacklene's family

Our Home



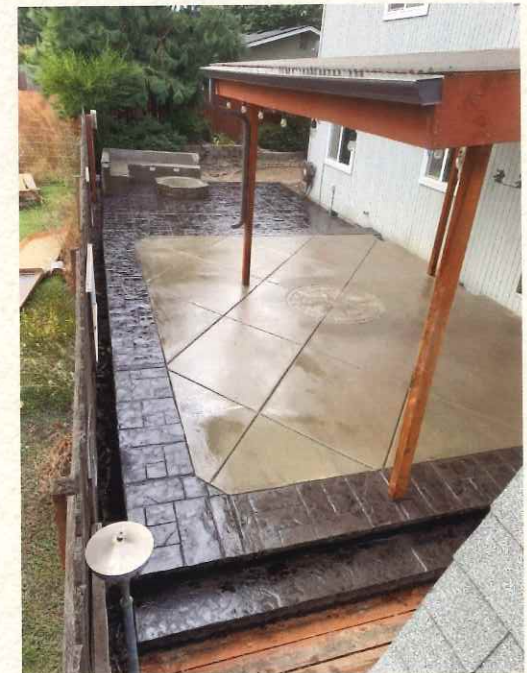
Our home is a place we cherish, and where many memories are made.



We both love food and enjoy making home cooked meals in our kitchen.



This is where we like to enjoy our home cooked meals, and host many family gatherings.



During those warm summer nights or chilly winter evenings, we enjoy spending our time in the backyard basking in the sun or sitting by the fireplace.



The place we like to enjoy some of our hobbies like puzzles, reading, playing games, or doing crafts. We cannot wait to add toys to this room for our child to enjoy.



We cannot wait to take a little one to our local city park to play, have fun, and make friends.



This is the place where we like to unwind for the day, host movie and game nights for family/friends, and enjoy each other's company.



We love the beach! Enjoying our horseback ride on the beach in Florence, Oregon



Exploring by bike some of the most scenic stretches of railroad in the country, while learning the history of the trail - Route of the Hiawatha Trail in Montana/Idaho.



We love learning about other cultures and traditions - Pu'uhonua o Honaunau National Historic Park in Hawaii.



Raiders vs. Seahawks in Seattle. Lucas is the Raider's fan and Jacklene is the Seahawk's fan



Taking in the gorgeous view and God's creation at the end of the world in Hawaii

Our Adventures

Travel has always been a big part of our lives. We love to discover and explore new places, whether it be just a few hours away from home or many, many miles. We cannot wait to have a little one join us on all of our adventures. We can only imagine how wonderful it will be when we get to experience it all through our child's eyes. We will make sure they can see and explore the world. Enjoying our adventures together as a family, and making many memories will be something we will cherish for a lifetime.



Fun, food, music, and dancing. Learning about the Hawaiian culture through a local Luau



No matter the view, I want to see it with you -
Honeymoon 2016 in Cozumel.



Feeling wild and free on our safari adventure at Wildlife Safari in Winston, Oregon

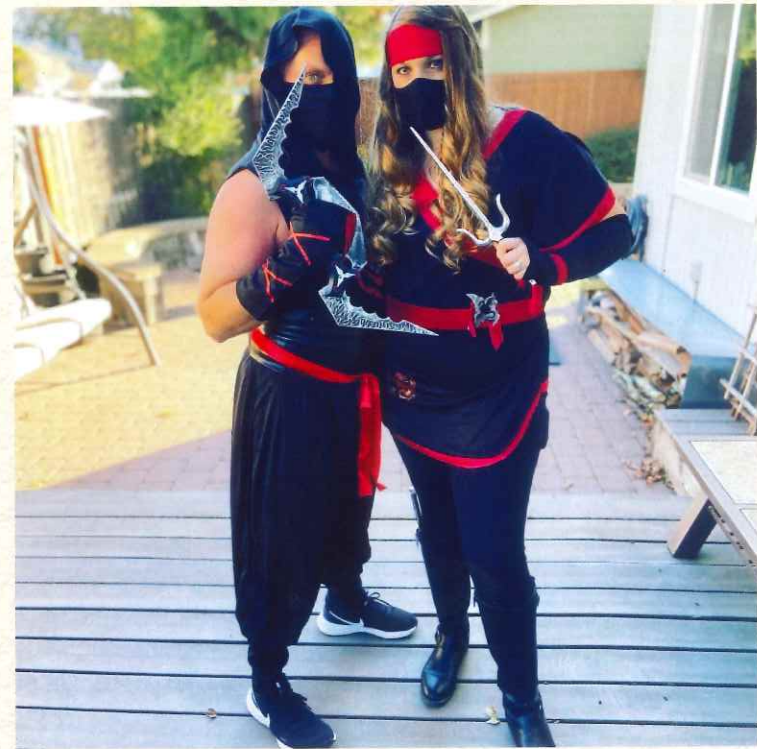


Bats, bases, and plays. Enjoying a summer-time San Francisco Giants baseball game.

Our Holidays & Traditions



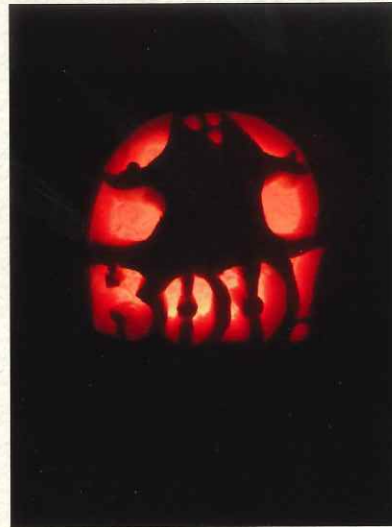
Lucas' favorite holiday - Halloween



The fearless ninjas



Thanksgiving with family



Pumpkin carving



You will always see our house decked out for Christmas



Exploring Christmas lights at Oregon Gardens

Holidays and traditions are important in our household. Some of our favorite holidays include Christmas, Halloween, Thanksgiving, 4th of July, and Easter. Some of our favorite traditions include going all out with decorating our house for Christmas and Halloween, carving pumpkins, creating and eating lots of yummy foods, attending the annual Airshow of the Cascades in Madras, dressing up for Halloween and other fun occasions, decorating gingerbread houses, driving to see Christmas lights, and much more. We love to host holidays and gatherings at our house. Our house is always full of fun, laughter, and good times during the holidays.



4th of July festivities



Alice in
Wonderland
scavenger hunt



Airshow of the Cascades

Our Favorite Things - Lucas

TV Shows: Anything related to crime or humor

Type of Movies: Action or Comedy

Book: The Bible

Type of Foods: Asian and Mexican

Childhood Memory: Family camping trips

Vacation: Cozumel

Type of Music: 80s and 90s rock

Colors: Black and Silver

Season: Fall

Hobby: Exercising

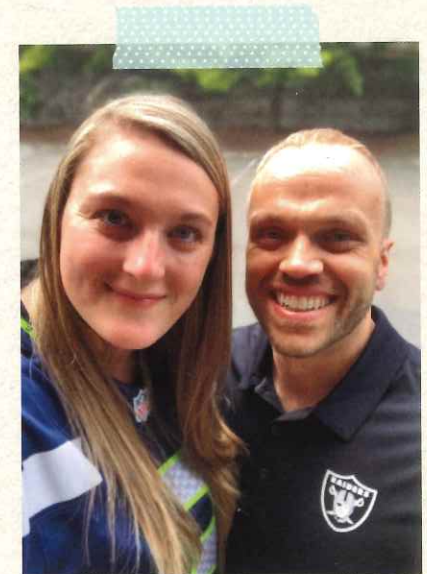
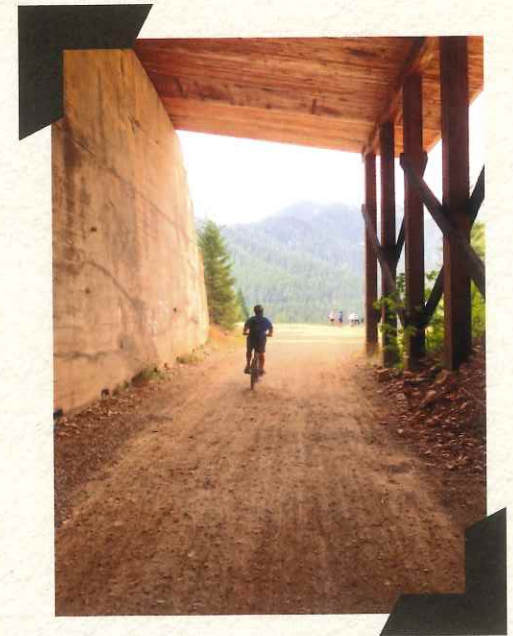
Holiday: Halloween

Sport: Watching football & playing basketball

Sport Team: Las Vegas Raiders & Oregon Ducks

Animal: Dog

Game: Trivia games



Our Favorite Things - Jacklene

TV Shows: Anything related to medicine or humor

Type of Movies: Comedy or Romance

Book: The Bible

Type of Foods: Italian, Mexican, & Asian

Childhood Memory: Family trips to amusement parks

Vacation: Hawaii or Cozumel

Type of Music: I listen to almost any genre but probably country

Colors: Purple, Teal, and Black

Season: Summer or Fall

Hobby: Doing puzzles

Holiday: Christmas

Sport: Football

Sport Team: Seattle Seahawks & Oregon Ducks

Animal: White Tiger

Game: Hand & Foot (card game)



Our Values

**Open
Communication**

Quality time

**Love your
neighbor as
yourself**

Never give up

**It's the little
things that count**


Goal-oriented

**Family
&
Friendships**

**Faith
&
Perseverance**



Our Commitments

- * We commit to always love your child unconditionally, no matter what.
 - * We commit to promote and encourage their dreams.
 - * We commit to provide a lifetime of opportunities.
 - * We commit to provide a loving, caring, and safe home.
 - * We commit to be your child's biggest cheerleader - encouraging them to follow their dreams.
 - * We commit to support your child throughout their lifetime.
 - * We commit to provide stability.
 - * We commit to honor your child's culture and heritage.
 - * We commit to speak of you with nothing but love and respect.
 - * We commit to share your story of your brave decision and the special way we became a family.
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Thank You!

We want to express our gratitude for taking the time to read about us. We are honored to be considered. We hope that you were able to get to know us a little better through these pictures and words. We would love to welcome your child into our family and our lives. Your child would have a loving, caring, nurturing, and welcoming home on a daily basis. We look forward to learning more about you. You will continually be in our thoughts, and we hope that no matter your decision, you find the perfect choice for your child.

Love,
Lucas and Jacklene

