

A Loving Adoptive Family

Cameron AND Karen

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Hello!

Thank you for taking the time to get to know us a little better and for your consideration as a family for your beautiful child. Family is so important to us and we cannot wait to add to ours through adoption!

We will teach our children about the importance of having a relationship with Jesus Christ and that he died on the cross for our sins so we can have eternal salvation through Him. We will teach them the value of family and how important those relationships are.

Being a Christian is integral to who we are, and through Christ we are able to have a peace that is unlike any other. We regularly attend church and want our children to grow up in church so that they can learn to have a relationship with Christ in order to serve Him and glorify Him with all that they do.

We live in California in the middle of Orange County. We live in a two bedroom home that we share with our two dogs, Koda and Mozzie. We have a nursery already set up and ready for a our baby. We are waiting to paint it until they arrive so we can pick the right color!

We are good friends with our neighbors and often chat with them in the street before and after work or over the weekend. We consider our home to be open and inviting. We have a front patio, as well as a backyard and a two car garage. Our city is small and suburban. It's within five miles of Disneyland, the Knotts Berry Farm, and only ten miles from the beach. We also live within walking distance from a central park. Our community is mostly comprised of young families with children and retirees. Our children will attend schools in the district Karen works for, allowing her to have the ability to have more involvement in their education.



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Our Story

Cameron and Karen met at the age of fifteen during the summer before their sophomore year of high school. They went to neighboring schools, but had a mutual friend who introduced them. During that summer, they spent a lot of time together hanging out with friends and became very close. They spent a lot of time in the evening talking on the phone or having conversations over AOL messenger. They lost touch once school started, but years later Cameron reached out to Karen during his final year of law school and they reconnected and began dating.



After building their relationship for a while, Cameron invited Karen to Alabama to celebrate Thanksgiving with his father's family. She was unaware that he had asked her parent's blessing beforehand for him to ask for her hand in marriage! Cameron had been taking pictures that he told her was in preparation for a family slide show, but it was really photos of the two of them that ended in a proposal in front of his family. She said YES!

Cameron: "My favorite quality of Karen is her kindness toward others. She always goes out of her way to make sure others are cared for, comforted, and appreciated. I enjoy taking care of her so she, in turn, can take care of others. She has a motivation to be available for others unlike anything I have ever seen. We have the most fun together when we are carefree and relaxed. We truly enjoy one another's company and the freedom to be ourselves and act goofy. Hearing her voice again after ten years when I reached out to her brought me back to my teenage years and I felt such a comforting feeling. My favorite nickname for Karen is cupcake and toots (because it embarrasses her!)."



Karen: "The qualities I admire in Cameron would have to be his patience, thoughtfulness, and his ability to lift up those around him. I smile when I think about how caring he is and how his actions show his love for myself and for others. I had tears of joy over reading a journal that he had written to me and given as a precious gift. He enjoys being silly in order to make children smile and thrives on taking care of the ones he loves. We enjoy the simple moments together, like taking car rides along the coast, watching movies, or trying a new restaurant."

Cameron

I would consider myself to be a pretty relaxed person who enjoys doing things that can give me a sense of calm. I enjoys working on my car and learning about history and geography. I also enjoy playing video games and spending time with my friends and family.

I am an attorney and I have been practicing law for eight years. I currently work for a firm that handles probate and estate planning. I feel that my work is important because I have the ability to help people when they are the most vulnerable. People usually need the help of an attorney when they are facing a problem that they don't know how to fix on their own. I value my position where I have the responsibility to help others and to be able to provide them with the service that they cannot provide for themselves. I maintain a healthy work-life balance also, and I am not consumed by my work. I enjoy coming home in the afternoon and spending time with my wife and with family or friends. I enjoy cooking dinner in the evenings and relaxing at night. I love being able to dedicate my entire weekend to my wife, my family, and the church.

I first realized that I enjoyed being around children when I was a volunteer basketball coach in college. Karen and I are also licensed foster parents and have been fostering for about a year now. We have had three wonderful children in our homw and I tell everyone I know that foster parenting is the coolest thing I've ever done! I

My favorite Bible verse is Corinthians 13:4-8 because it was recited during our wedding ceremony. My other favorites include my dad's oxtail soup, cookies and cream ice cream, Lost tv show, the LA Lakers and LA chargers, the color is gray, and Christmas. I also enjoy spring because the weather is nice and there are a lot of family birthdays to celebrate.



Karen

I enjoy spending my free time with family and volunteering at events for individuals with disabilities. I currently volunteers for two nonprofit organizations that provide community events for children and adults and their families that have disabilities. I also enjoy bike riding, especially during the summer months. I enjoy riding casually with my friends and my cousins that come by. I often ride to the local farmer's market or just around the neighborhood.

I have been an educator for six years and have been a teacher for three years. I truly enjoy my job and find it to be very rewarding. I also enjoy the long breaks I get in order to spend time with my family during the summers. I believe that being a teacher will provide me with opportunities to ensure our children are getting the proper education they deserve.

My enthusiasm for working with children also led to Cameron and I becoming foster parents. Fostering has affirmed that the child's skin color, gender, ethnicity, age, health, and general background does not matter to us when it comes to parenting. We believe that every child is a child of God and that God has a purpose for everybody. We have decided to dedicate part of our lives to ensuring that other children are able to fulfill and reach the purpose given to them by God. Once we adopt a child, we would love to return to foster care, when the time is right for everyone in our family.

Some of my favorite things include the summer months, Hawaii, sea turtles, the colors green and purple, Christmas, the Nerts card game, chocolate chip ice cream, the Dodgers, Lakers, and the Chargers.



Friends & Family

Cameron's family is spread out throughout the entire United States. His dad, stepmother, and one brother live in Alabama. His mother and another brother live in South Carolina. He has two brothers in Texas and a brother in New York. Although they are not close in proximity, they all talk regularly and try to meet up somewhere at least once a year. His entire family is very excited at the prospect of Cameron and Karen adopting a child. When Cameron's father married his stepmother his stepbrother's were officially adopted into the family shortly after. Cameron remembers going to the courthouse for the hearing and the huge celebration after it was official!

Karen's family is all close geographically and close emotionally. Most of her extended family lives in California. They all go to Yosemite every other year with a large group from her dad's side of the family. They also have an annual tamale making party around Christmas. Most holidays are spent with Karen's extended family.



Cameron has a few good best friends. They have remained in his life throughout the years. His best friend is William. He has known Will since junior high school. Similar to Cameron's family, William is a very loyal supportive friend and is treated like a brother. Karen's best friends would be her sister and Nicole, a friend she met in middle school. They are always there for her and she can always count on them. They pray for us, encourage us, and they are happy to help Cameron and I in any way we need it.

Our Dogs!



We have two dogs. The first is Koda and he is a Shiba Inu. He is thirteen years old. He believes that anyone who comes to the house is there to see him because he loves receiving attention! He is a very quiet dog and rarely barks because he is getting up there in age. He enjoys laying down and being scratched and taking mini naps during the day. Koda is very good with children. When they give him attention, he is very patient and once he has gotten his fill he will walk away and most likely go to his bed to take a nap.

The second dog we have is Mozzie. Mozzie is a Blue Heeler and is three years old. He is very energetic and loves to play! He loves to play catch and run up and down the stairs. His favorite place to be scratched is on the top of his head and he will put his head on your lap, indicating that he's ready to be scratched. He's the guard dog in the family and he lets us know whenever anyone is approaching the house. Mozzie is very loyal to those in the house and has a natural affection for everyone we welcome.

When the dogs are together they mostly like to lay around. Mozzie tends to follow Koda's lead since he is the older dog. When Koda is taking a nap, Mozzie tends to lay around the house too. He watches Koda like a hawk because once Koda gets up Mozzie knows "Oh, I can get up too!"



This is Us...





Thank You!

Thank you for taking some time to read our story and to get to know a little about who we are. We cannot fully understand the decision you are choosing to make, but we thank you for choosing life.

We know that there is no amount of training that can prepare us ultimately for everything that we will face in regards to adopting a child, but we have been taking this very seriously. We have been reading and attending classes and learning as much as possible. We have been preparing ourselves to be the best parents we can possibly be, and we believe that every child's story is unique. We know that a child is born with a purpose from God and we will help them to discover what that could be. We will explain their story to them as soon as they are able to understand. We are devoted to raising this child to be a strong, God loving individual.

We will do whatever it takes to ensure this child is happy, loved, and cared for. We will ensure that we will do all we can to provide a relationship with Christ, family values, and a well rounded education. Whether or not you choose us, we want to pray for you, encourage you, uplift you and wish nothing but the best for you and your precious child.

May God Bless You,

Cameron and Karen

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