

# GREG, CHRISTINA, & JUNE





# W E L C O M E

Hello, We are Greg, Christina, and June!

Thank you for choosing to learn about our family as you consider who may be best to parent your child. We hold adoption close to our hearts and want you to know how much we admire your bravery, strength, and love as you consider the best plan for your baby.

We were blessed with the amazing gift of adopting our little girl in 2022, and we are so grateful for the opportunity to grow our family again through another gift of adoption. Our family is knit closely together in love, joy, kindness, grace, and loads of fun! It is the highest honor to be entrusted to raise another child whom we will surround with unconditional love and care for deeply. We hope our profile helps you learn about our family values and understand the kind of support and nurture we desire to provide to our children. We hope you can also see the many ways we like to adventure together in life!

As a family, we learn together, grow together, laugh together, and pray together. We pray for you specifically and ask for God to surround you in peace, fill you with wisdom, and comfort you with His love at this time.

With much love and thankfulness,

*Greg, Christina, and June*

# OUR STORY



Our relationship began in 2014 when mutual friends asked us to play volleyball at a park. While we consider ourselves athletic, come to find out our friends played like the pros. The two of us decided to sit out the last match to let them play at a higher level, which allowed us to chat and connect right away. We discovered we had a lot in common including a passion for volunteering in underserved communities in our city. A friendship sparked on that special day!

Our friendship grew over the next couple of years as we remained in a close community through our church's young adult group. We led community projects together at a local elementary school, played on the same soccer teams in several leagues, met for a Bible study group each week, and enjoyed hanging out together!

The desire to care for one another and commit to one another grew deeper and deeper in both of our hearts. We began dating in 2016 and quickly knew God had planned to unite us forever! We were married the next year and had an amazing wedding celebration. It was a day marked with giving thanks to God for the gift of our marriage and for blessing us with loving family and friends who care for us deeply still today.



# OUR HEARTS FOR

# adoption

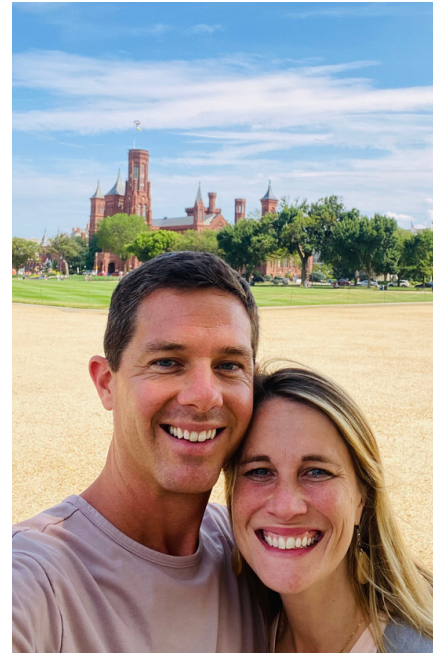


As we began the incredible journey of marriage, we prayed for God to grow our family by blessing us with the gift of children. We experienced loss over the next couple of years through miscarriages, yet we both remained confident in our faith and knew God wanted us to be parents one day. God began to reveal His plans for us to raise a child through an adoption story. His plans for our family led us to the most precious gift of adopting our wonderful daughter, June. We have delighted in her since the moment we met her.

We have always desired to grow our family with another little one and considered having a biological child next. But through God's guidance and provision, we feel strongly about adopting again so our children can share the special bond of being adopted.

# MEET

# Greg



## THROUGH CHRISTINA'S EYES

Greg is the rock of our family. He is so steady and calm yet meets each day with such joy and excitement. Greg is always the first one awake, and his favorite meal to cook is breakfast. Our family is a big fan of his grits! Greg is a planner and loves to come up with fun activities for us to do together. He is silly and always makes being with him so fun!

Greg is truly genuine, and that was evident the first day I met him. He has a heart that desires to get to know others by asking intentional questions, and he really cares to know the answers. The love and kindness he shows our family is unmatched by any other person I have ever met. He is the greatest friend, supporter, and husband. Greg stepped into fatherhood with such enthusiasm. June has adored her daddy from day one, and it's easy to see why. Greg has the dance moves in the family and can always be found dancing in the kitchen with June. He has a creative mind and comes up with new and exciting activities every day. June is in a constant state of laughter with Greg! His arms are always willing to scoop her up to give her hugs and snuggles and are easy to melt into during story time each night. Greg and June are the best of friends, and I am so thankful that I have a front-row seat to their relationship.

# MEET

# Christina

## THROUGH GREG'S EYES

Ever since Christina was 10 years old, neighbors would ask Christina to babysit their kids. Many of those neighbors have told me they trusted her more at that young age than they trusted themselves as caretakers! Christina has many God-given gifts, and she flourishes the most when she steps into her gift of caring for children and people. She lights up every room when she walks into one, and she brings beauty to this world through her kindness, compassion, courage, and desire to serve people. I am so grateful for this strong woman who fills our marriage with laughter, adventures, and deep love. She is my encourager, protector, nurturer, and partner in having fun! Those parenting skills she started learning at age 10 are certainly on display for June. Christina is the most amazing mom who provides the sweetest care for June and is shaping her into a wonderful, smart, and loving child. June is always looking up to her mama to be silly with and to soak in all her love! Their bond grows and grows as Christina uses each day to pour into June all her nurture, direction, teachings, protection, and playfulness. Her devotion to our family, unique giftings, and wonderful personality bring unending joy to our lives each day. It is the most precious gift to watch Christina blossom in motherhood!



# MEET

# June



June brings pure joy to us every moment of each day! She is a lively, smart, adventurous, silly, and cuddly little 2-year-old girl who loves finding new things to explore and learn. While she taps into her girly side with baby dolls and crafts, she has a big adventurous side that comes to life when she plays at parks, kicks soccer balls, and runs through splash pads! She sings her way through life and is always requesting her playlist in the car. June has a huge love for animals and is best pals with our dog, Molly. In addition to caring for animals, she is shaping into a really sweet friend to kids in our neighborhood and our church family. Her heart already melts when she sees a baby, and we are fully confident she will make a wonderful big sister!

We were blessed with the gift of June through an open adoption when she was born. This miracle allowed us to not only gain June as a precious daughter but also allowed us to gain an extended family of birth parents and grandparents who are full of love for us every time we are with them. We treasure these wonderful relationships and are grateful June will grow up knowing them.



# OUR FAVORITE DAYS

## ARE SPENT *together*

A typical day in our family always starts with a homecooked breakfast while listening to tunes. Then we may take a trip to the park across the street, make crafts, read books, play with toys in the bonus room, or walk through our neighborhood nature trails. While we recognize routines are important for a child's development, we also like to add unique adventures into our everyday lives. Whether it's visiting farm animals, trying new restaurants, going on play dates with friends, or exploring children's museums, we love to make the most of all the fun time we get to spend with June each week. We also spend our weeks staying involved in our wonderful church family, enjoying time with friends, attending events in our community, and taking day trips together. We have a wonderful dog, Molly, who pretty much comes with us wherever we go. She is a sweet, playful, and happy little girl who adores June.

We are very fortunate to have flexible careers that allow us to spend a lot of time together as a family during workdays. Christina works remotely from home, and Greg works in the office only a couple of days a week. We flex our schedule to have one-on-one time with June, and she gets regular special time with Greg's mom throughout the week. We value keeping our children home for the first couple years of their lives and plan to have them develop in a local preschool setting a couple of days per week when they are 3 years old.



# CELEBRATIONS & VACATIONS



We are a family who goes all out for birthday parties, holiday celebrations, and family vacations. Our birthday parties this past year were themed celebrations including a Hawaiian luau for Greg, an 'I love the 90s' party for Christina, and a petting zoo in our backyard for June. We love soaking up each season of the year and making traditions during the holidays. You will always find us at a corn maze and pumpkin patch in the fall. The Christmas season is marked with traditions made in our home. We enjoy decorating a gingerbread house while watching Elf the movie, going through a special Advent calendar each night, and eating a breakfast casserole on Christmas morning. After attending our Christmas Eve service, we go home to get into matching pajamas and open a couple of presents from each other. We love being outside when spring arrives, so we plan trips to the mountains, wildflower fields, and strawberry patches. Easter egg hunts are also a must each spring. The summer season is our favorite, and we fill our time going to the beach, paddleboarding, hiking, going to concerts, and watching a huge fireworks show in our neighborhood for the 4th of July. We also like to take a family trip each summer to explore National Parks, new cities, and landmarks. Life is too short to wait on adventuring, so we live ours to the fullest and make wonderful memories along the way!

# GREG'S

# family

Most of Greg's family lives a short drive away from our home. His dad (Papa) and mom (Nanna) are our go-to babysitters and love being involved in June's life. We are fortunate to live close to them so we can enjoy our community together. We join them for sports events, concerts, festivals, trips to parks, and much more. We also take a big vacation with them each year and explore new destinations that always create lasting memories. Greg has one brother and sister-in-law who also love being involved in our life as June's fun uncle and aunt! The rest of his family lives in Missouri and Georgia.



# CHRISTINA'S

# family



Christina's parents (Poppy and Nanny) and brother live along the coast about a 3-hour drive from our home. Our trips to them are filled with hanging out at the beach, hiking at parks, and enjoying delicious, home-cooked meals together. They also visit us regularly and make sure June has enough new toys to play with! Christina also has a sister who lives in Virginia with her family, and they make sure June is surrounded by their love even from afar. We see them several times throughout the year, especially during the holiday season. Some of her extended family live in our area, and the others live in the Carolinas.



# HOME, *sweet* HOME.



We live in a great family-friendly town right outside a wonderful, big city. Our neighborhood is full of families with kids, and we all get to enjoy our neighborhood's community pool, hiking trails, tennis courts, and parks together. There are always community events happening each week such as 'flick and float' movie nights at the pool, cookie decorating classes for kids during the holidays, 5k races, 4th of July firework shows and parades, and much more! We are very grateful for our home, too. It has an open floor plan, which allows us to all be in the same area together for the majority of our day. We also have a bonus room that makes playtime extra special. The rest of the house includes 4 bedrooms, an office, a dining room, a sunroom, and a large fenced-in backyard. Our favorite thing about where we live is the beautiful greenway across the street that has many hiking and biking trails. Along the trails are horses, cows, donkeys, and sheep to whom we love to say hello and give snacks to as we enjoy nature.

# THE *baby's* NURSERY



Creating the nursery together was a fun and meaningful experience! We took extra care to fill it with decorations that illustrate our family's love with calming and natural colors and a cozy crib and rocker. We are incredibly grateful to soon fill this room with precious memories, sweet snuggles, bedtime stories, and much laughter!



# We will show our Children:

- **How to be in a relationship with God** – We want to show our kids that God desperately wants to be in a relationship with them and delights in extending His grace to them. We want them to know they are fully loved and unconditionally accepted by Him. Our job as parents is also to show our kids how to love God in return by following His ways, serving His people, and putting Him at the center of our family.
  - **Our love for one another is a priority** – We believe a healthy marriage provides safety and stability for kids to soar in life and learn how to give and receive love. We are fully committed to growing together as a married couple. We want our kids to see us go out on dates together, leave love notes for one another, and serve each other in everyday life.
  - **We delight in them immensely** – We want our kids to know how wonderful and fun it is to be their parents. We will be super engaged and present in their lives to help them navigate all stages of life with the assurance of our great love for them. We plan to be at all of their games and activities, take them out for one-on-one quality time, take interest in their interests, encourage them to step into their unique gifts, plan family game nights, and much more!
  - **Being a family takes work and is totally worth it** – There is great purpose in a family unit and we want to show our kids the beauty of being in a loving, supportive, adventurous, and faithful family. Relationships are not easy and take work. We will use our family relationships to show them how to remain committed to others, ask and receive forgiveness, protect and serve others, and many more values.
  - **How much we honor and love their birth families** – Our job as their parents will be to help them establish a healthy identity, independence, and self-esteem especially when they enter their teenage years. We believe in honoring their birth families from day one so they know how absolutely loved and accepted they are by all parties. We also believe showing our love to their birth families can establish a wonderful extended family relationship that can help bring wholeness, healing, and joy to everyone's hearts.
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# OUR *sentiments*

We hope our story shows you just how much God has given us hearts for children and adoption. The bonds that are made in the story of adoption are built upon sacrifice, strength, and love. Our family is incredibly honored to be considered in another adoption story, and we are filled with an abundance of devotion and care for the family who chooses us. We are in awe of who you are and the courage you are walking in to decide the best path forward for you and your little one. We look forward to living out our promise to provide the most tender care, sacrificial love, and wonderful opportunities to the child we are entrusted with.

Much love,

*Greg, Christina, and June*



Thank you  
for considering  
our family.

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