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*Chris & Megan*









*Dear Momma,*

We are Megan and Chris. Thank you so much for reviewing our album and considering us for your sweet child. There aren't enough words to say how brave, courageous, and selfless you are no matter what decision you make for your child. We love and respect you on this journey. We hope you know you are never alone during this pivotal time.

Knowing we are all adopted children in God's family helps remind us that love makes a family. No matter how that family is formed, love is the thread that holds it together. Chris and I may not know what you have experienced or what the future may bring, but we know that we have a lot of love to offer you and your child. You are valued and prayed for.

If you decide to choose our family to parent your child, we promise to love and support your child in a Christ-centered home. Our family, friends, and church are already praying for you and your precious baby. We couldn't feel more ready for this responsibility and to join you on this journey.

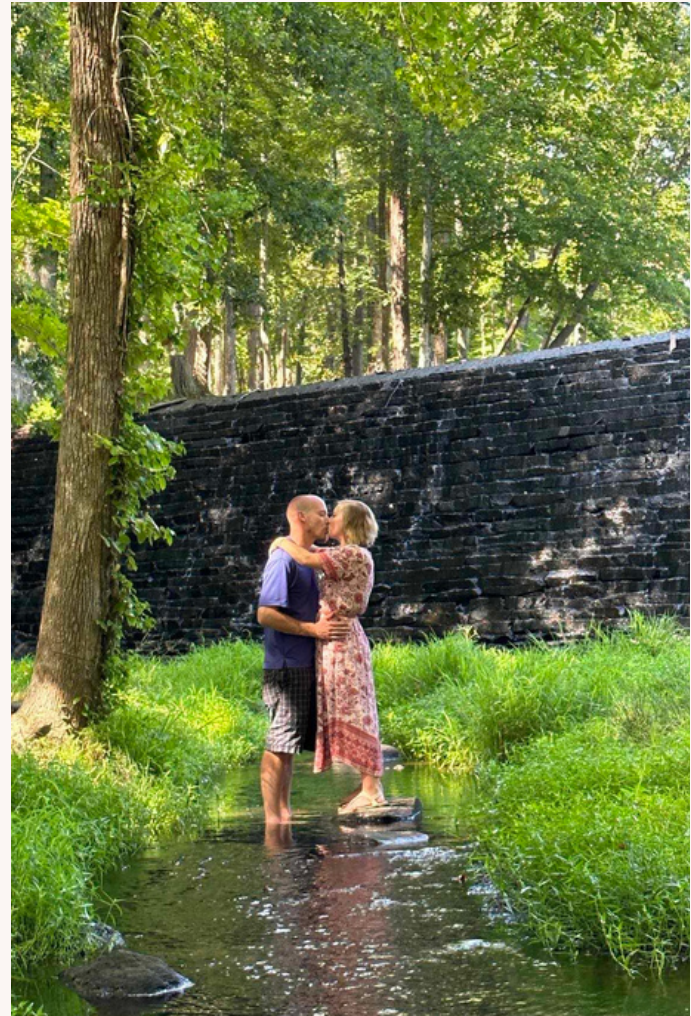
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# The Beginning

In college, Megan was good friends with Chris' sister and her then-future husband. Chris and Megan officially met at their wedding and hit it off right away! We danced the whole night.

As we got to know each other, we learned that we share a hobby of photography and a love of traveling. We would visit our local zoo and parks to share photography tips and enjoy nature. Traveling about two hours to be able to visit each other made our time even more special in the beginning.





# Saying our vows



After twenty-four years of dreaming about my wedding day, I could not have had a more magical day. Chris' look of love as I walked down the aisle surrounded by friends and family made my heart sing. The rest of the day was filled with laughter and celebration with friends and family.

It was amazing to see both of our friends and family together, knowing how much they love and support us. The day after our wedding, we flew to Alaska to fulfill our dream of hiking and photographing the last great frontier. That is a place we both could have stayed to enjoy endless nature and see moose walking along the road. We were excited to start our new life together and blessed to have each other.

THE BEST DAY EVER



# What we live by



## Faith, family, and friends.

Chris and I are blessed that we live close to our families to spend weekends together! We strive to build a firm foundation of love with them. Our friends are also like family, as we help each other in any way we can. Our faith has led us to learn how to give more than we receive and to use our time, talents, and treasures to help those around us. Whether it's helping our Church Food Pantry serve meals or helping someone in need, we always want to lend a hand.





## Choosing Adoption

Megan has been filled with adoption throughout her whole life! Megan's younger brother was adopted internationally, and her older brother adopted his son. Chris has a huge heart for adoption, and when we found out we could not have a child of our own together, we immediately knew adopting was what God had for us. Adoption became a blessing and pillar of hope through a challenging time in our lives. Our hearts have been filled with a new type of love and excitement as we have embarked on our adoption pursuit!





# Meet Chris

## THROUGH MEGAN'S EYES

Chris opened my eyes to a whole new world when he shared his love of everything outdoors with me. Being outside, finding rocks, photographing birds, kayaking, or hiking is his happy place. He has a gentle, quiet soul and silly nature.

Chris has a way of always knowing when the people around him need something. He is intentional and thoughtful, from stopping by to see his Gammy to bringing me dark chocolate after work. I can always count on him.

There are so many times I still get butterflies because I never could have imagined deserving the love Chris shows me! Every day, he works long hours in retail so our family can have the very best life. Even when he is tired, he asks me what he can help with to ease my burdens. He never hesitates or waivers when it comes to helping, which I admire about him.

I would need a million words to describe Chris completely, but loving, compassionate, calm, giving, and dependable are just a few.



CALM-SPIRITED | LEADER | NATURE LOVER





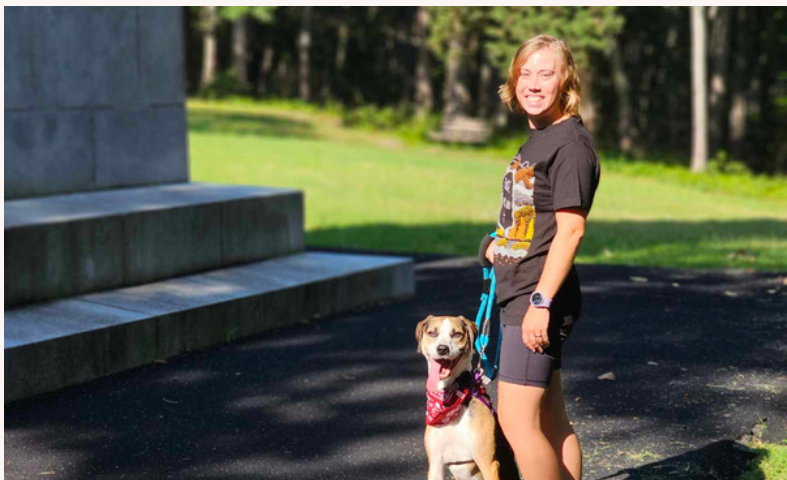
# Meet Megan

## THROUGH CHRIS' EYES

When I first met Megan, I could tell she was the girl for me. She is completely selfless. She helps others without any expectation of a favor in return. Megan is the definition of love to me; she accepts everyone and is always willing to listen, talk, and help with any issue someone may have. Megan's strength of faith is awe-inspiring and has helped mold my own and forge it into something I never thought I would have.

Megan is a teacher, and her tenacity toward creating a better life for her kids is profound! No matter how difficult or how much pushback she receives, she does whatever is best for her kids. She somehow finds time for one-on-one time and has helped her students grow exponentially.

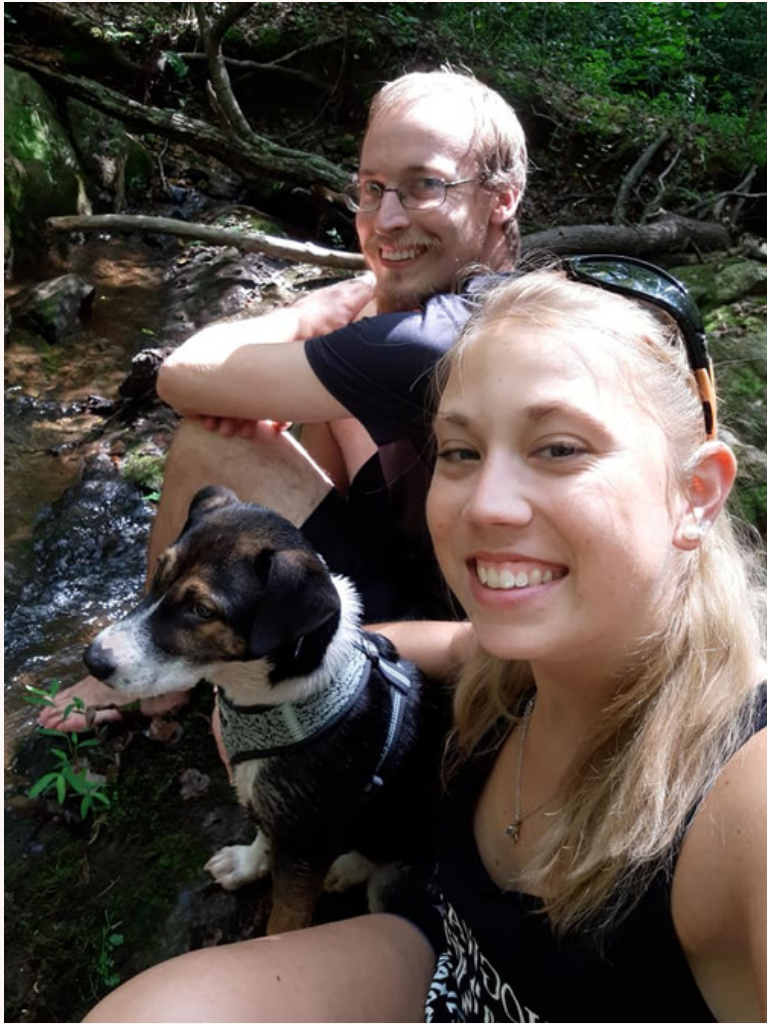
Her love, intelligence, faith, and indomitable spirit drew me in, and her selflessness showed me how amazing a person can be! Megan is the person who comes along once in a millennium, and I'm honored she chose to live her life with me. I love her with all my being, and I wouldn't change a thing about her.



GENEROUS | AT-HOME CHEF | ANIMAL LOVER



# A few of our favorite things



## OUR LOVE LANGUAGE: QUALITY TIME

Chris and I share the love language of quality time. It can be a night in watching a movie or a day out with friends; we value our time together. Spontaneous nights cooking new foods while listening to music bring laughter and build memories. If we aren't cooking and eating, we are exploring God's beautiful creation outside. We have a goal to see every national park in the United States!

Along the adventures, we like finding new trails to escape the busy world of work and phones to get to know each other organically through conversation and having fun. Our two dogs are always at our heels because they love quality time, too! As soon we are off work and have dinner, our dogs are ready to snuggle up on the couch. We also love sharing our passions, like searching for rocks, crocheting, and reading with each other. Traveling to the couch or the next trail, all that matters is that we are together and with our dogs.



# SEASONAL FAVORITES | HIKING SPORTS | TRAVELING

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We typically travel the most in the spring. We love seeing new places and trying new foods. We are still searching for the “world’s best pizza” on our travels and love to attend an orchestra performance when we can. Summertime is our favorite time to find new waterfall hikes to watch our dogs swim. Fall is our tradition of getting as many Granny and Fuji apples as possible to make apple cider and apple butter for Thanksgiving. In the Fall, we also like meeting up with our friends at the Renaissance Festival. It’s time to start the fireplace in the Winter and read or watch a movie. Both of our families have the tradition of cutting down a Christmas tree, and that will remain a special tradition for us! There’s nothing better than hot cocoa, Christmas movies, and twinkling lights on a tree.





# FAMILY: *The ones who love us endlessly*

When Chris and I were getting to know each other, I was amazed at how much he valued us getting to know one another's families. We were both taught from a young age that family is a paramount part of our lives.

We made it a goal to continue prioritizing our family relationships and spend Sunday dinners or weekends camping together regularly. It is incredible to watch our siblings start families of their own now, too, and experience all of their firsts! These relationships have allowed us to continue old and begin new traditions and build our faith with people who consistently pray for us. Our families and siblings have become a ring of support through many celebrations and tears.

## HEBREWS 10:24-25

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another."





# Chris' Family

My family has always had nature and the outdoors close to our hearts. Family vacations often included hikes in the mountains, SCUBA diving in the oceans, white-water rafting in the rivers, and rock hounding in the streams. Family was always near and dear to us, and having cousins, second cousins, uncles, aunts, distant relatives, and immediate family members all together for the holidays were the norm. Whenever someone stepped into our household, they became family.



CARING | ACCEPTING | OUTDOORSY



# Megan's Family

For the first ten years of my life, my dad was in the military. Moving six times and another three times after that taught me that home is the people around you, not a place you go to. Family is those who have stayed by your side.

Whenever we did make it home to celebrate a family event, the time was cherished because we didn't always know the next time. My parents adopted my younger brother when I was 11 years old, and that still remains one of my most memorable childhood experiences.

We did everything together growing up, from water park trips to camping to evenings playing games. We valued togetherness. Our dinners were a time to sit down and catch up with each other and pray. My parents' house was always the hang-out spot growing up because it didn't matter if it was the kids or the parents; everyone was welcome. Even today, we love playing cards and eating dinner together!



ADVENTUROUS | FUN | INCLUSIVE

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# Celebrations throughout the year

Thanksgiving and Christmas are our favorite times because they are filled with traditions. We love going apple picking, cutting down Christmas trees, baking cookies and pies, and seeing holiday lights. Chris and I also hike to the waterfall every Winter where we were engaged. Easter is another time to spend family time going to church and eating delicious homemade food. Keeping old traditions alive is important to us, but so is creating new traditions as our lives change each year.







## CHURCH COMMUNITY, NEIGHBORS AND LONGTIME FRIENDS



We are blessed to have our church community that has supported us for the past four years. Megan is involved in the high school youth group, Sunday School, Fellowship Committee, and scripture reading, and Chris loves joining in too! We also enjoy attending Chris's parents' church as a family.



Our friends have remained by our side through so much, even when we lived in different states. Going to events and hanging out around good food are our favorite things to do when we all get together. Our neighborhood is beautiful and quiet, with a farm and a small golf course. It's a safe place and is perfect for walking our dogs!

*A sweet friendship  
refreshes the soul*

PROVERBS 27:9



# THERE IS NO PLACE LIKE *home*



Our home reflects our love of nature with cabin-style pictures and framed national park posters. The living room and the kitchen are the heart of our home. Especially during summer when we are escaping the heat reading or snuggled up by the fireplace in the winter. We genuinely feel rested and happy when we get off work and step inside.

We are near state parks and other greenways to enjoy walks and beautiful sites. We also have areas to play pickleball and swim around our town. Our friends and family enjoy getting away from the hustle and bustle of life when they visit.





HOME:

Where our story is written with each new day.



# The Nursery



Our nursery is a refreshing green with neutral accessories. We have books that are new and some that we cherished as kids filling the room. The walls are a peaceful scenery of nature with trees and animals. This nursery has been well prayed over by family and friends who are just as excited as us! I enjoy sitting on the rocker crocheting the baby blanket saying prayers and thinking about our next adventure in life.

"Any day spent with you is my favorite day. So, today is my new favorite day."

- Winnie the Pooh



*In this family, we believe*

In Jesus. Being humble and serving others. In family and friends.

## OUR VALUES

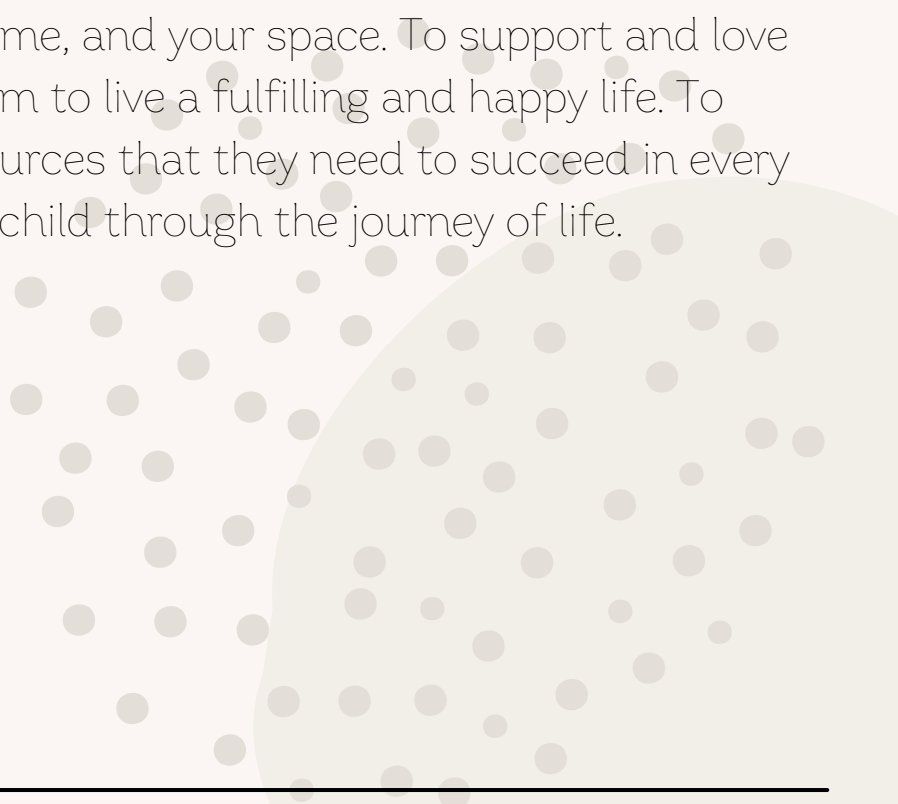
Coming together in prayer to take on trials and give thanks for the celebrations. Finding peace and joy in God's natural creations and enriching our minds through scripture and literature.

## OUR TRADITIONS

Spending quality time with family and friends as we enjoy the changing seasons and holidays.

## OUR PROMISE

To respect and value you, your name, and your space. To support and love your child as our very own for them to live a fulfilling and happy life. To provide them any support or resources that they need to succeed in every way. To unconditionally love your child through the journey of life.



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# Our sentiments

Thank you for reading about our family, backgrounds, and hearts for adoption. You and your story so bless us! Holding tight to God's Word keeps us grounded in a world filled with celebrations and hardships. We pray daily for you and all Moms. Every person has a unique story that deserves respect and honor because we are all uniquely made in His image. I hope that you know our gratitude and love for you!

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Thank you for  
considering  
our family.

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