

CHASE + MEGAN

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Hello

We wish we could sit with you in a coffee shop, listen to your story and tell you it is alright not to know all the answers to the difficult decisions you face. We wish we could have the opportunity to pray with you for clarity and peace.



HERE IS A LITTLE
BIT ABOUT OUR
FAMILY.

We have been married for nearly 13 years and are still best friends. We have three children, Owen, 9, Madelyn, 6 and Hayden, 3. Owen and Maddie are biological, and Hayden was adopted as a newborn. We are all very excited to adopt again. We know that Hayden and our new child will have different adoption stories and experiences, but we value that they will be able to share and relate with one another in an exceptional way, as we all walk through the adoption journey together.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR TAKING THE TIME TO LEARN A LITTLE MORE ABOUT OUR FAMILY. WE ARE PRAYING FOR YOU AND HOPE THAT YOU FIND PEACE AND CONFIDENCE IN YOUR DECISION.



ABOUT US

WE MET FRESHMAN YEAR OF COLLEGE IN CHEMISTRY CLASS.



We quickly became best friends and after five years of dating, we got married in June of 2010. Our faith and close friendship is what continues to make our marriage strong. We are still best friends, even after all of these years. **These days we spend a lot of time as a family.** Meg stays home with the kids and Chase is always home from the hospital before the kids are out of school.

After school, all of the neighborhood kids meet at our house to play on the trampoline, playset or to make up a variety of imaginative games. Chase is a big kid himself, and often joining in on the fun. Meg is a snack and craft queen. **Every night we eat dinner together, and afterwards we usually read or play games together or have a dance party, before our nighttime stories and prayers.**

BOARD GAME DATE NIGHT IS ONE OF OUR FAVORITES



HIKING AND EXPLORING NEW TRAILS

YOU CAN OFTEN FIND US **SPENDING TIME WITH EXTENDED FAMILY, EXPLORING THE OUTDOORS, TAKING ADVANTAGE OF LOCAL ATTRACTIONS OR TRAVELING TO NEW PLACES.**

About Meg

BY CHASE

I HAD NO DOUBT

MEG WOULD BE A GREAT MOTHER, HOWEVER I DID NOT REALIZE JUST **HOW NATURAL IT WOULD COME.**

She is creative, organized and full of joy. She is heavily involved in our kids school, and never misses any special event in their lives. **She is constantly thinking of fun games and crafts for our kids and family.** She is always putting others before herself and she has instilled that in our family, as her and the kids often make baked goods for friends or send "Love You" cards to family to brighten their day. **She loves to make holidays and special events memorable for our family.** She has sacrificed, and continues to sacrifice so much for our family, and she is greatly loved and cherished.

MEG ALWAYS GOES BIG DECORATING FOR SPECIAL OCCASSIONS FOR OUR FAMILY



MEGAN ENJOYS ART MUSEUMS





AFTER MEG DROPS THE KIDS AT SCHOOL SHE TAKES TIME TO READ HER BIBLE



MEG READS A LOT AND HAS PASSED ON HER LOVE OF READING TO OUR FAMILY



MEG LOVES TO CRAFT AND GET CREATIVE. MAKING THIS GUITAR FOR THE GIRLS WAS SO FUN



MEG HAS ALWAYS LOVED PUZZLES

FUN FACTS + FAVORITES

- ▶ **VACATION SPOT:**
Colorado (but love trying new places)
- ▶ **PLACE TO TAKE A CHILD:** Library or Park
- ▶ **MUSICAL ARTIST:**
Brook Ligertwood

- ▶ **LUNCH BOX SNACK:**
Chocolate
- ▶ **HOBBY:**
Reading
- ▶ **SEASON ACTIVITY:**
Playing in the pool (we live there during the summer)

- ▶ **DESSERT:**
Cookie cake
- ▶ **SPORT YOU PLAY:**
Tennis
- ▶ **CHILDRENS BOOK:**
'Like Me'

- ▶ **PERFECT DAY:**
A day at home with family, outdoor time and laughter
- ▶ **ICE CREAM FLAVOR:**
Cookie Dough





CHASE LOVES EXPLORING LOCAL TRAILS

CHASE ENJOYS COFFEE AND SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES



CHASE WILL NEVER TURN DOWN A DONUT AND HE LOVES TAKING THE KIDS TO PICK THEIR FAVORITES

About Chase

BY MEGAN

I ALWAYS KNEW

CHASE WOULD MAKE A GREAT DAD BUT I HAD NO IDEA **HOW MUCH HE WOULD PUT INTO THE ROLE.**

He is fun loving, energetic and encouraging. **He is always turning on music for family dance parties and starting up a variety of games.** He isn't one to sit on the couch or even think about turning on the TV. You can often find him with the kids at a local park or on bike rides or the trails exploring. He is driven and a great provider for our family, but the kids and I always come first. He volunteers at their school and is always home when they get out of school. **He tucks them in every night and, every day instills in them the phrase, "I'm proud of you, I love you and Jesus loves you."** We could not be more proud to call him ours.



FUN FACTS + FAVORITES

► **VACATION SPOT:**

Colorado (skiing in winter and hiking in summer)

► **PLACE TO TAKE A CHILD:**

Locals trails or park

► **MUSICAL ARTIST:**

Matt Kearney

► **HOBBY:**

Cycling (indoor/gravel/ mountain biking)

► **SEASON ACTIVITY:**

Christmas lights (driving around w/ hot cocoa as a family)

► **DESSERT:**

Cinnamon rolls (unless donuts count!)

► **SPORT YOU PLAY:**

Basketball

► **CHILDRENS BOOK:**

'Brown Bear, Brown Bear'

► **SPORTS TEAM:**

Kansas City Chiefs

► **ICE CREAM FLAVOR:**

Ben & Jerry's - Half Baked



IF CHASE HAD TO CHANGE PROFESSIONS HE WOULD PROBABLY PICK PROFESSIONAL CYCLIST



CHASE LOVES WORKING OUT WITH THE KIDS IN THE GARAGE GYM



AT A LOCAL COFFEE SHOP



CHASE SPENDS TIME EACH MORNING BEFORE THE KIDS WAKE UP STUDYING THE BIBLE

OUR HOME

WE LIVE IN A SIX-BEDROOM HOME WITH A LARGE YARD IN A FAMILY-FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD.



OUR BACKYARD PLAYSET IS ALWAYS BEING USED



WE ARE THE HOUSE EVERYONE IS AT, **BETWEEN THE TRAMPOLINE, LARGE PLAYSET AND NEVER-ENDING SNACKS, THEY ARE OUTSIDE FOR HOURS.**



WE HOST AN ANNUAL BACK TO SCHOOL PARTY FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD CREW

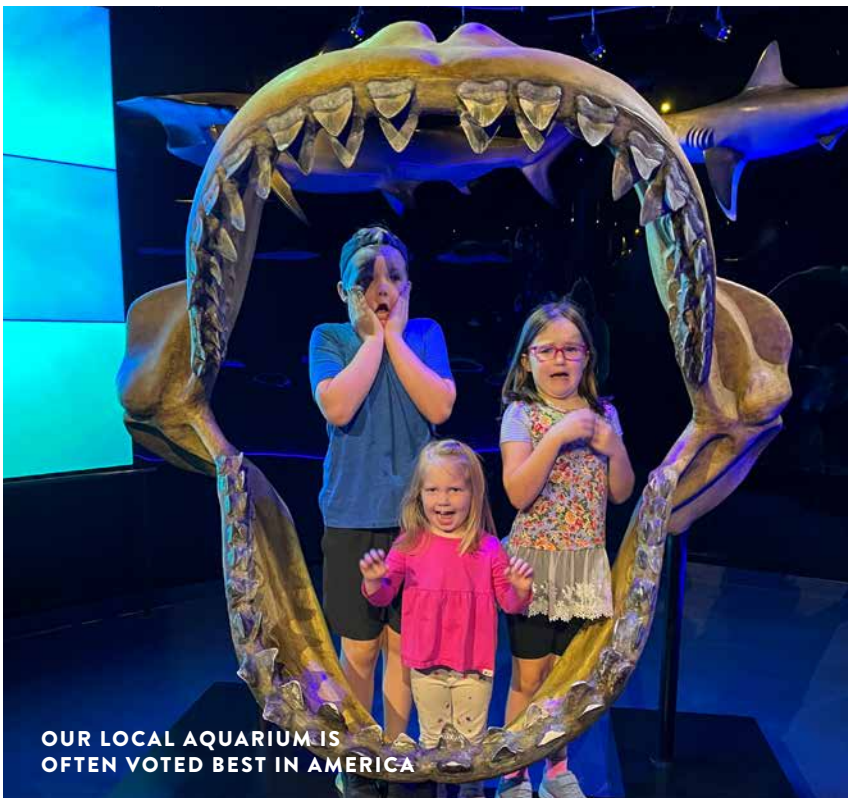
We live on a corner with kids all around. Our hometown has several fun activities to do with the kids, including a zoo, nationally renowned aquarium, indoor ropes course and trampoline park, just to name a few. We love to ride our bikes around our neighborhood and on trails. We also love to hike and explore the many parks and trails, and we are able to enjoy them nearly year-round. Our hometown gets all four seasons, which we love and make the most of, including warm summers, some snow in winters, and stunning fall foliage. The public school system is consistently rated one of the best in the state and is one of the reasons we made the move to the area.



TRIP TO THE LOCAL ZOO WITH NANA AND PAPA



WE HAVE SEASON PASSES TO A LOCAL AMUESMENT PARK,
SILVER DOLLAR CITY



OUR LOCAL AQUARIUM IS
OFTEN VOTED BEST IN AMERICA

WE OFTEN TAKE TRIPS ON THE WEEKEND TO NEW CITIES TO EXPLORE. We find fun places to eat, kid’s museums, art museums, trails and whatever else is unique to the area. Finding a hotel with a pool is a must, as swimming is some of the best part of every getaway. Our crew is always up for an adventure and trying new things.

OUR Adventures

WE STRIVE TO MAKE
EVERYDAY MOMENTS FUN.

Sometimes if we have nothing going on, we will surprise the kids with fun snacks and a movie night, or even a trip to a local amusement park. **We love to take advantage of our local zoo, aquarium and amusement park; in fact, we have annual passes to all three.**

For us, all of these activities are about being active and making memories together. We often grab friends and family to come along with us; we embrace the motto “the more the merrier!”



MEET OUR CHILDREN

OWEN, MADDIE & HAYDEN



OWEN IS 9

AND GROWING SO FAST!

He is kind, sweet and thoughtful. **He loves all things outdoors: biking, hiking, camping and swimming.** He is a great builder and will never turn down making new creations with Legos. He is a great big brother and can't wait to add another baby to the crew. He is tender-hearted, and always talking about a new baby and all the things he wants to show them.



MADDIE IS 6

AND CAN'T WAIT TO BE A BIG SISTER AGAIN.

She loves to read, play barbies, dance and craft. She always makes the best of any situation and loves to just have fun. She is a social butterfly and loves playing with friends; but she is happiest when all of her family gets together.



HAYDEN IS 3

AND THE JOY SHE BRINGS TO OUR FAMILY IS HARD TO PUT INTO WORDS.

She puts a smile on everyone's face that she meets. She has a zest for life that is unmatched and she loves big. She was adopted as a newborn in 2019 and we have an open relationship with her birth mother. **When we say she loves babies, that is an understatement.** We are so excited to see her in her new big sister role!



HEADING TO CHURCH ON EASTER



EASTER CELEBRATION AT CHURCH



OUR

Faith

FAITH IS ONE OF THE

MOST IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF OUR FAMILY.

WE PRIORITIZE GOING TO CHURCH TOGETHER.

Our church is smaller, but a great place for our family as we are connected and have found community. We love being involved in outreach programs and serving our local area. One of our favorite traditions is serving at Christmas and buying toys for our church and setting up a “toy store.” Local, underserved families then come through and pick out presents for their children. **We try to instill in our family the importance of serving our community and seeking out areas we can be a “helper”.**



OUR LOVED ONES



NANA AND PAPA ENJOYING THE BEACH WITH THE GRANDKIDS



HANGING OUT AT NANA AND PAPA'S HOUSE CELEBRATING A NEW COUSIN



WE LOVE BEING TOGETHER AND GIGI, AUNT TESSA, GRAME AND GRAMPE NEVER MISS A PARTY

Our kids were the only grandkids on both sides of the family until summer of 2022 when Meg's brother and sister-in-law had their first baby. We love babies and big families so we have been in heaven with the new baby cousin. Meg's parents, "Nana" and "Papa," live nearby and have a pool, as well as lots of land, so we often meet there for family get togethers. We love any reason to celebrate, but our biggest celebration is our yearly Fourth of July party. Extended family comes and we play all weekend, with the finale of a firework show that rivals professional quality.

Our kids still have the title of only grandkids on Chase's side of the family, so to say they are spoiled is an understatement. Chase's parents, "Gram-E" and "Gramp-E," live only about fifteen minutes away from us, so we see them at least weekly. Chase's sister and brother are the best aunt and uncle, and the kids adore them. We are always down to watch football games together but our favorite teams to cheer for are the Kansas City Chiefs, Alabama Crimson Tide and Oklahoma Sooners.



PAJAMA MOVIE NIGHT WITH GRAME AND AUNT TESSA



CELEBRATING OWEN'S BIRTHDAY WITH A DRESS UP PARTY



MATCHING CHRISTMAS PJS ARE A MUST!

NANA AND PAPA ALWAYS SET UP A CARNIVAL FOR THE KIDS FOR HALLOWEEN



OUR FAMILY TRADITIONS

WE HAVE MANY TRADITIONS AS A FAMILY, **BUT OUR CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS ARE PROBABLY OUR FAVORITE.**

We start in November as we put up all our decorations around our house together. The kids have their own separate tree, that they love to decorate with all of their personal ornaments. At the first of December we start an advent calendar, in which we read a Bible story together and the kids put a special ornament on our family tree.

We spend most nights driving around looking at local Christmas lights with blankets and hot cocoa. We also find special Christmas light displays. **We spend a lot of time with family during this time of year; and the kids often talk about the great memories they have of Christmastime.**

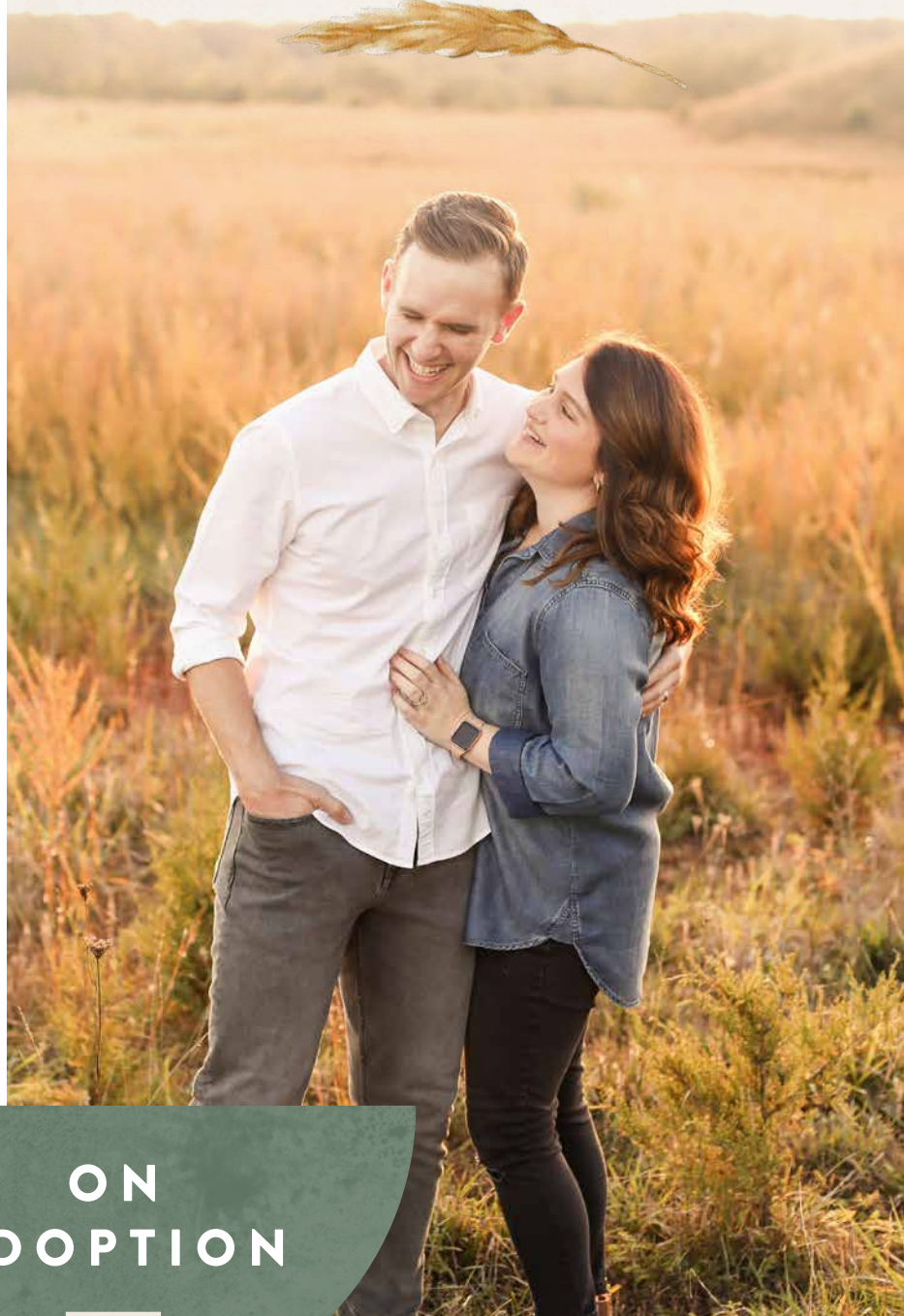


FOR OUR FAMILY, **OUR VALUES CENTER AROUND OUR FAITH.**

WE MAKE CHURCH A PRIORITY, AS WELL AS, DAILY PRAYER AND REGULARLY TALKING ABOUT THE BIBLE.

We also emphasize serving others, and trying to instill the importance of being “helpers” and leaders in our community. In addition, we have chosen specific character traits that we embrace as a family and consistently discuss for our kids to pursue. **Those traits are to be kind, respectful, have integrity, resiliency and self-control.** We focus on the importance of being a family unit and always working together as a team as we care for one another. We are always looking for things to celebrate as a family and new traditions to create together. We have many passions and interests that we hope to pass on to our children, such as a love for the outdoors and living an active lifestyle. Additionally, we love the arts, such as music and reading, as well as good food and travel. **But, most of all, we want to pass on a love for life and spending time with loved ones as we make new memories together.**

THOUGHTS ON Parenting



ON ADOPTION

WE WOULD LOVE TO CONTINUE WITH AN OPEN RELATIONSHIP AFTER ADOPTION, IF THAT IS SOMETHING YOU ARE COMFORTABLE WITH.

Ultimately we want to respect your wishes, and do what is best for our child. With Hayden's birth family we have an open relationship with ongoing communication. We talk about her birth family often to her and have even made a book with their pictures so they are a part of her life.

Family Information

MEET CHASE

- ▶ **FATHER'S NAME:** Chase
- ▶ **OCCUPATION:** Physician
- ▶ **EDUCATION:** Doctorate
- ▶ **RELIGION:** Christian
- ▶ **DATE OF BIRTH:** 4-3-87
- ▶ **HAIR COLOR:** Brown
- ▶ **EYE COLOR:** Blue
- ▶ **HEIGHT:** 6'1"

MEET MEGAN

- ▶ **MOTHER'S NAME:** Megan
- ▶ **OCCUPATION:** Stays at home
- ▶ **EDUCATION:** Master's Degree
- ▶ **RELIGION:** Christian
- ▶ **DATE OF BIRTH:** 2-17-87
- ▶ **HAIR COLOR:** Brown
- ▶ **EYE COLOR:** Blue
- ▶ **HEIGHT:** 5'4"



MAKING LUNCH FOR THE KIDS



▶ **DATE OF MARRIAGE:**

June 12, 2010

▶ **CHILDREN:**

Owen, 11-13-13, biological child. Owen is kind, smart and a great big brother. He enjoys playing outside, building Legos and playing games of all kinds.

Madelyn, 5-4-16, biological child. Maddie is a helper, thoughtful and funny. She enjoys reading, dancing and jumping on the trampoline.

Hayden, 3-30-19, adoptive child. Hayden is joyful, energetic and lives life big. She enjoys dressing up, playing dolls and playing outside.

▶ **INTERESTS AND HOBBIES:**

Chase and I both spend a lot of time as a family. We also enjoy going to church, hosting family get togethers and traveling. Chase's hobbies include biking, being outdoors, studying the Bible and spending time with family. Megan's interests are reading, spending time with friends, making everyday events special for her family and studying God's word.

▶ **HOME:**

Six bedroom, four bath, two level home in a safe neighborhood with a large fenced in backyard. The backyard includes a playset, play house, fire pit and trampoline. Directly behind the house is a huge open field with beautiful sunsets.

▶ **WHY ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BUILDING YOUR FAMILY THROUGH ADOPTION?**

We have not experienced any issue with infertility and have two biological children as well as one adopted child. We know that God has called us to adoption and are confident in this step for continuing to grow our family. We are excited for Hayden and the new baby to have adoption in common.

▶ **OPENNESS TO BIRTHPARENT(S):**

This is something we hope to discuss with you and see what you are comfortable with as well. We are open to frequent texts, email, letter and pictures exchanges. We are also open to in person visits as well. However, we first want to respect your wishes regarding contact and communication.

▶ **CHILDCARE PLANS:**

Megan currently stays home with our three children and will continue to do so for any additional children.

In Closing

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We do not know what the future holds, but we do know with confidence that we will provide for all of our children a life full of unconditional love, endless opportunities, emotional support and a safe place full of faith and fun. We would love to meet with you, if that is alright with you. Even after the child is born, we would love to continue an open relationship, if that is something you are comfortable with. Ultimately, we want to respect your privacy, and will honor whichever decision you make with regards to openness and communication.

**THANK YOU FOR
TAKING THE TIME TO
READ THIS LETTER AND
FOR CONSIDERING
OUR FAMILY. WE HOPE
YOU KNOW YOU ARE
PRAYED FOR!**

