



We can't begin to imagine the difficult decisions you have to make for your child and yourself. We have always known adoption might one day be a part of our journey, and when we started to look at different fertility options, we decided to embrace adoption as an important part of our story and we are excitedly looking forward to it! We both love children and are longing to share that love while raising a child. Thank you for considering being a part of this journey with us.

We hope we can meet you and learn your story.



ENJOYING A DATE NIGHT OUT TO DINNER

Our Story

WE MET AT A CHRISTIAN
SUMMER CAMP WE WERE
BOTH WORKING AT WHEN
MARY'S CAR BROKE DOWN.



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A quick friendship developed, but it wasn't until years later that we knew God had a lifelong plan for us together!



We've now been married almost 10 years, and our marriage has helped us grow every single day; both together and as individuals. We have 2 amazing dogs Eevee & Pepper who we love like family. We have some interests in common: a love for traveling (our favorite place to visit is Japan), playing board games and doing escape rooms, and spending time with family and friends. We also have our own hobbies, and have differences that remind us that we are very different and it definitely keeps things interesting!



Mary's friends consider her:

THOUGHTFUL, ATTENTIVE, COMPASSIONATE, ACCEPTING, A FRIEND WHO IS LOYAL & FOLLOWS THROUGH, HONEST, SELF-LESS, CONSIDERATE, & SILLY.

Mary was born in England, and moved to the US when she was very young. She's a registered nurse and works with transplant patients. She loves TV shows, movies, reading, swimming, baking, board games and puzzles. She is adventurous and enjoys things like roller coasters and zip-lining. She loves the Lord and her family. She loves dogs and animals in general. The ocean is her happy place and if she wasn't a nurse, she would be a marine biologist for sure! She has a starfish tattoo with the Latin term for "lady of the sea."



★ MARY COULD LIVE IN WATER



◆ PUTTING TOGETHER A PUZZLE



♠ READY, SET, BAKE!

- FAVORITE MUSICAL
 ARTIST
 Taylor Swift
- FAVORITE SEASON
 Fall (I love cold
 weather)
- FAVORITE DESSERT Chocolate cake
- FAVORITE FOOD

 Sushi
- FAVORITE MOVIES
 The Nightmare Before
 Christmas (love all
 Tim Burton movies)
- BORN IN LONDON in the hospital Florence Nightingale started the first school of nursing, and then grew up to become a nurse!
- PLAYED VARSITY BADMINTON AND SWIMMING in high school





Jack's friends consider him:

FRIENDLY, FUNNY, INCLUSIVE, HUMBLE, TALENTED, GENEROUS, LOYAL, SELF-LESS, KIND, CARING, & A KID AT HEART.

his own design firm from home. He spent time working in various companies, mostly working in marketing and package design. Before starting his own business, he worked at a popular toy company designing packaging for kid's toys. He also has a photo booth rental business that he owns with a friend. He loves creating new things, playing the guitar and bass, playing video and board games, and the outdoors. A relaxing day for him includes getting out of the city to go fishing at the lake (he almost never catches anything). He loves solving problems by tinkering and taking things apart, playing worship at church, and learning new things. Spending time with family and friends is also one of his favorite things to do.



- IS DOUBLE
 JOINTED
- FAVORITE COLOR

 Purple
- MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS Plays guitar, bass, and a little bit of drums
- GREW UP WITH pet turtles, frogs, lizards and birds
- GOT A
 NINTENDO
 when he was
 6 and jumped
 on the dining
 room table in
 excitement
- HAS ONLY GOTTEN
 1 TICKET in 24 years
 of driving
- FAVORITE FOOD
 Pizza (it's healthy
 cause it has
 ingredients from all
 5 food groups!)



↑ TINKERING





★ GAME NIGHT GETTING INTENSE



Our Home & Community

WE'VE BEEN
FORTUNATE TO
LIVE IN JACK'S
GRANDPARENTS' OLD
HOUSE FOR THE LAST
10 YEARS.

We are currently in the process of a small remodel to make the house our own, while still keeping the charm and memories these 4 walls hold. We live central to all major parts of Los Angeles, and are just a short drive away from parks, lakes and beaches, as well as mountains and forest. We love to visit with family and friends by spending a day at the beach, fishing at the lake or camping. We're also lucky to have lots of museums that we love visiting, and really enjoy day trips to coastal towns.

◆ AT THE PARK WITH OUR DOGS







WE LOVE BOARD CAMES







Pups

We have two adorable dogs that we adopted shortly after getting married.

Pepper & Eevee were kennel mates at the shelter, and we knew they had to stay together as soon as we saw them. They both have huge personalities, and are a huge source of joy in our lives.



◆ PLAYING WITH OUR DOGS AT THE PARK







We both love God and are active at our church. Jack is a member of the worship team, while Mary volunteers as a Sunday school teacher. We try to reflect and include God in our daily lives. For us, this means loving and serving those around us in any way we can as well as seeking to learn more about God.

JACK PRACTICING FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP



Both of us are extremely close with our small families.



We live a short walk from Jack's mom and sister, and a short drive from Mary's parents, sister, and extended family as well. We love spending time with them, especially our new nephew.

We love weekly dinners with family, and usually barbecue and spend time together eating, playing board games and watching movies. We celebrate every holiday with our families all coming together.











We're grateful for friendships!

We have a circle of close friends who are pretty much family to us. Some of our closest friends have adopted as well and have been extremely supportive of us in our journey so far. We also have incredible support in our church family in Orange County, that we attend every week.





Culture



We're both Lebanese Armenian, while Mary is half English.

We're both fluent in Armenian and are very in touch with our culture. We value the history, foods, music, and traditions that come along with our heritage and would love to share that with our child.

▼ A TRIP TO LEBANOR



Thoughts - ON -

Parenting

In our years as a couple, we have made it a point to be actively involved in the lives of the children around us. We believe that a child has the same rights as an adult and at their core long for healthy and nurturing relationships. We want to model what it means to communicate with both respect and compassion. We will put the needs of our child above our own but teach them boundaries and encourage them to make good choices.

Some of the things we are really looking forward to doing as parents are:

- Helping our child FIND THEIR STRENGTHS AND PASSIONS and encouraging those in them.
- Building FAMILY TRADITIONS together.
- INTRODUCING THEM to our family and favorite people.
- Activities such as BAKING, ARTS AND CRAFTS, PLAYING BOARD GAMES, and PLAYING MUSIC.



SPENDING TIME WITH OUR FRIEND'S DAUGHTER







On Openness

We know that openness is an important part of adoption and that you have a special role in your child's life. We want to keep you updated and involved as much as you feel comfortable. We would love to communicate through phone calls and share updates and pictures through email or text and we would love to be able to have visits with you should that be something you would like.

We deeply respect your decision to give birth to this child. We understand that the relationship you have with your child is special and always will be. We want to be a part of that and not replace it.

Our hope is to give consistency and safety to this child's life and to provide you with the ability to be included as much as you feel comfortable.





- FATHER'S NAME Jack
- OCCUPATION

 Graphic

 Designer
- EDUCATION

 Bachelor of

 Science
- RELIGION Christian
- DATE OF BIRTH 05/20/1983
- HAIR COLOR Black
- EYE COLOR
 Brown
- HEIGHT 5'5"

- MOTHER'SNAMEMary
- OCCUPATION
 Registered
 Nurse
- EDUCATIONMaster'sDegree
- RELIGION
 Christian
- DATE OF BIRTH 07/07/1988
- HAIR COLOR Brown
- EYE COLOR
 Blue
- HEIGHT 5'7"

- DATE OF MARRIAGE:
 04/06/2014
- CHILDREN: None
- INTERESTS AND HOBBIES:

We enjoy board games, spending time with family and friends, and sushi dates

- HOME: We live in a 3 bedroom house in Los Angeles. Our neighborhood is quiet, and we are central to most things in LA, including other cities, museums, beaches and the mountains.
- PETS: 2 dogs, A schnauzer mix named Pepper and a chihuahua mix named Feyee
- WHY ARE YOU INTERESTED
 IN BUILDING YOUR FAMILY
 THROUGH ADOPTION? We
 have always considered adoption

as something that might one day be a part of our journey. We did expect to have children biologically, but that was not in the plans for us. Though this wasn't the deciding factor, it made us even more passionate about our desire to raise a child and grow our family through adoption.

- OPENNESS TO
 BIRTHPARENT(S): We know
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 part of adoption and that you
 have a special role in your
 child's life. We want to keep you
 updated and involved.
- CHILDCARE PLANS: Jack works from home and will be able to stay at home full time. Mary works 3 days a week in a standard nursing schedule. We also have family close by to help as needed.

