

Andy & Christy







Hello

our note for you

We want you to know that we admire your decision to seek what is best for your child. Your choice to choose an adoptive family is one that is made in love and speaks to the genuine care you have for your child's wellbeing. Our message is also one of love. We pledge to raise your child in a loving home with kindness and a sense of belonging. Our hopes and dreams for your child is that they will be full of life, successful, able to enjoy the fullness of being a carefree kid. We will surround them with love and care, as we pour our hearts and souls into their life.

Our Hearts *for* Adoption



While we have been able to grow our family, the journey has not been easy and we have had trouble conceiving from the beginning. We tried for two years to have our first child. Shortly after he was born we found out that I was pregnant again with our second. However, it again took a year and a half to conceive our third child. When we decided to try for a fourth child we were not able to conceive. We found out that my egg count is extremely low and that we would probably never be able to get pregnant again. This has been challenging for us as we feel our family is not yet complete.

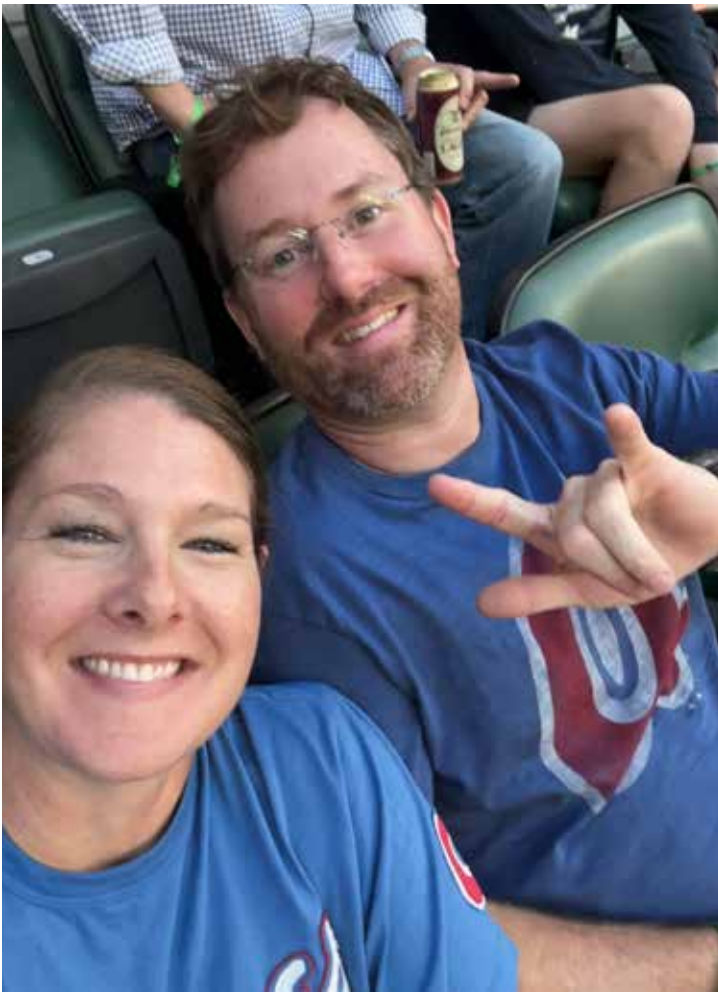
Since that time we have spent a lot of time in prayer and discussion about the future for our family. We feel led to complete our family and we are excited to do that through adoption.

our Love Story

Our story started back in high school. We started dating when we were seniors. After 14 years of dating we got married. I have always loved the way Andy laughs and no matter the situation he can always make me laugh. We were attracted to one another because we shared the same values and enjoyed doing the same things like, traveling, gardening, and just being outside.

We always knew we wanted a church wedding. The church we were married in is the church we still attend today. Andy has gone to this church his whole life and I have attended there since we started dating. We were married in our home town with all of our family and friends. Our beautiful day was wrapped up with a reception in a field under a tent. The honeymoon was a surprise for me. I was only told what to pack. We got all the way to the gate at the airport before I knew where we were going. Andy had planned a wonderful trip to Belize.





We just celebrated our 12th wedding anniversary in May. This coming November we will celebrate a total of 26 years together. I believe what makes our marriage strong is that we are very open and honest with one another. I love that we are high school sweethearts and still take time just for us. Whether it be a date night out to eat or long weekend just us. We love spending time as a family with our boys, but the time for the two of us to just be together keeps our relationship strong.





get to know **Andy**

I am excited about the opportunity to help another life grow into the potential that God gave them. I look forward to using the gifts that I have to impart love, life skills, and a sense of family into another child.

Hobbies

- Outdoor activities
- Traveling
- Camping in our RV
- Taking care of our livestock
- Gardening
- Working on my antique jeeps and cars
- Huting
- Fishing

I want my children to say that I am fun, full of energy, and that I always show up for them in whatever way I can. My desire is that they would use the words “he loves us unconditionally.”



My Career

I am a pediatric surgeon. My job is family friendly and flexible. The traditional work demands of pediatric surgery are different in a small town, and hence one of the primary reasons we chose to pursue this lifestyle. It allows flexibility to prioritize family life and experiences. When we adopt I will be able to take a paternity leave to bond and be together as a family.



ENERGETIC



KIND



ACTIVE



“One of the things that I admire most about Andy is that he has a passion for whatever he doing. Whether that be his job or planting things in the garden. He does it with all his heart and will not complete the task until he feels that it is perfect in his eyes. He also has the gift of being able to talk to anyone about anything, and can make anyone laugh. Andy is able to become friends with anyone. He also play the piano. He will play while I am getting supper ready and on the table. The boys will sit down with and play along with him. We all enjoy when he plays. Andy makes a great husband because he provides for us and loves all of us. He makes sure that we are taken care of. One of the things that I love most about him is that he absolutely adores our boys and I love seeing him as a dad.”

- Christy



get to know **Christy**

I am excited about the opportunity to adopt because I believe this is how God has planned to complete our family. Raising children is my greatest joy which is why I am looking forward to adding one more to our family.

Hobbies

- Cooking & baking
- Playing outside with the boys
- Art classes & painting
- Spending time with Family
- Date nights with Andy
- Traveling

My greatest wish and prayer for my children is for them to accept Christ and for them to be happy in all that they do.



My Career

I am a stay at home mom now, but I was a teacher for 7 years before we had children. All of our boys are in school now and I enjoy being involved in the various thing the boys are doing both in and out of school. Once we adopt the baby will be with me at home.



LOVING



KIND



CARING



“Christy is a natural mom. She loves unconditionally, shows care and respect and is always a participant. She always enjoys spending time with our kids, whether that is riding roller coasters or helping them with homework. Her love for kids began prior to us having our own children, as an early childhood teacher. Christy advocates strongly for all of our kids. She leads by example and sets high expectations for our kids. She is strong-willed and determined, always seeing the best in others. She has an unusual ability to find the good in people.”

- Andy



meet
Rhett



Rhett is our shy and reserved child. He has to be around you for a little while before he warms up to you. He is interested in sports and loves playing baseball. He enjoys riding his four wheeler and loves all things outdoors especially hunting and fishing.



Caleb is very social and will make friends with anyone he meets. He has Down Syndrome but is a normal seven year old. We are very blessed that he has no health issues. Caleb enjoys being outside. He loves to ride around the yard on his riding toy and pretend he is cutting grass. He loves to help Andy when he is working in the yard. Caleb is very affectionate, and loves giving hugs and fist bumps.



Luke is our adventurous child and enjoys being outside with everyone. He enjoys digging in the dirt pile in our yard. This year he has enjoyed playing tee ball. Luke loves to find lizards and frogs in the yard. He also enjoys trying to build things like his dad.

meet
Our Dogs



Gus

Black Lab | 3 yrs old

Gibby

Basset Hound | 1 yr old

Rufus

Dachshund | 17 yrs old





Fun Stuff!

We enjoy being outside as much as we can. One of our favorite things to do is to ride our four wheelers in the evenings to see what animals we can find. We enjoy going to the lake for boat rides and so the boys can tube. Every summer we enjoy taking a trip to somewhere new, usually for about 10 days, we love experiencing new places.



celebrating Together



We like to celebrate big for the boy's birthdays. We make it all about them. Each one has a party of their own. For Christmas both of our families come over to our house to watch the boys open their gifts and then we make our way to their home throughout the day. For Thanksgiving we usually do lunch with my family and then supper with Andy's family. For the 4th of July we love to go to a parade, even if we are on vacation, it's one of our favorite activities.

Home.



Our home has 4 bedrooms and 3 ½ baths. Our home is surrounded by 30 acres and a pond. The master bedroom is a log cabin that is about 200 years old. We love to fish in our pond and invite all of our family over for fish fries. We bought this place so our boys could grow up in the country and the great outdoors.



our Community

We live out in the country in south Georgia. There are several schools to choose from. Our boys attend the county school system. There are many different activities for our family to get involved in. Our boys love to play sports through the local rec. department and are involved in a little league baseball team.



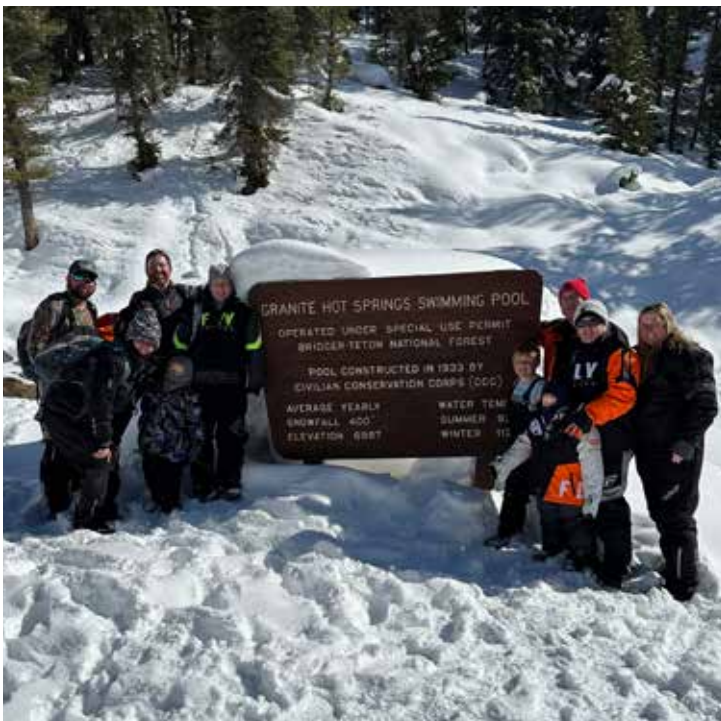
family Time



Both of our extended families are very important to us. We see each of them throughout the week. Whether it be eating with one another or just visiting. We live within 5 miles of each of our parents. So we see them often. We plan on surprising our families with the adoption, but we know they are very supportive and will be thrilled to welcome another baby to the family.

Andy's Extended *family*

I still have both of my parents. My mom is Beth and dad is Eddie. I have a brother (Ben) and a sister (Sarabeth). Neither of them are married or have any children.



Christy's Extended *family*

I still have both of my parents and two younger sisters. My mom is Sherry and dad is Joel. My sisters are Lacey (Marty) and Jessica (Chris). Lacey and Marty have two sons Aj and TY. Jessica has a girl and a boy (Riley and Milan).



family Values

Keep God first

Be kind to all people

Always tell the truth

**If you don't ask,
the answer is always no.**

how we parent

I feel that our parenting style is to lead by example. Showing our boys how things should look or be done. Whether that is working on a project or the way we treat people. If they do something wrong we try to correct them by showing what they did wrong and teaching them how to fix it.





Education

Our three boys attend public school this is where we feel they will get the best education. Our plan would be to send the child we adopt to public school as well. We have hopes that our boys will attend college. Caleb, our son that has down syndrome being the exception. We will support them in their endeavors to pursue their dreams. Our prayer is that our kids know with our support their dreams are as big as the sky.





We would like to say thank you for taking time to learn about our family. We want you to know that your child will be loved more than words can express. they will be loved and cared for just as our three boys are. We are excited to complete our family through this adoption. We look forward to seeing them interact with their three older brothers. And we can't wait to watch them grow, play. We know that this decision wasn't an easy one and in turn we would like for you to know how brave you are for making such a hard decision. We hope and pray that after learning about our family it gives you a peace in knowing that you are making the right decision and that your child will be loved and cared for beyond measure. We look forward to the day we get to meet this precious child. Until then, we are praying for you and this sweet child.

with love,

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Thank You

