



DEAR
FRIEND



It is with much admiration and respect that we are writing this letter. We can't imagine how you must be feeling, the journey you have been on, or the amount of courage and love it must take to make the decision to place your child for adoption.

We hope that we have the opportunity to meet you and form a relationship with you. Our desire is for the child to know you and to know the love that you have for them. We admire your love and strength, and are honored that you are considering us to parent your child.

We'd like to thank you for taking the time to get to know our family. We feel so blessed to be on this journey of adoption. We have the utmost respect for you and the loving decision you are making. Thank you for your courage - we wish you the best as you make your decision!

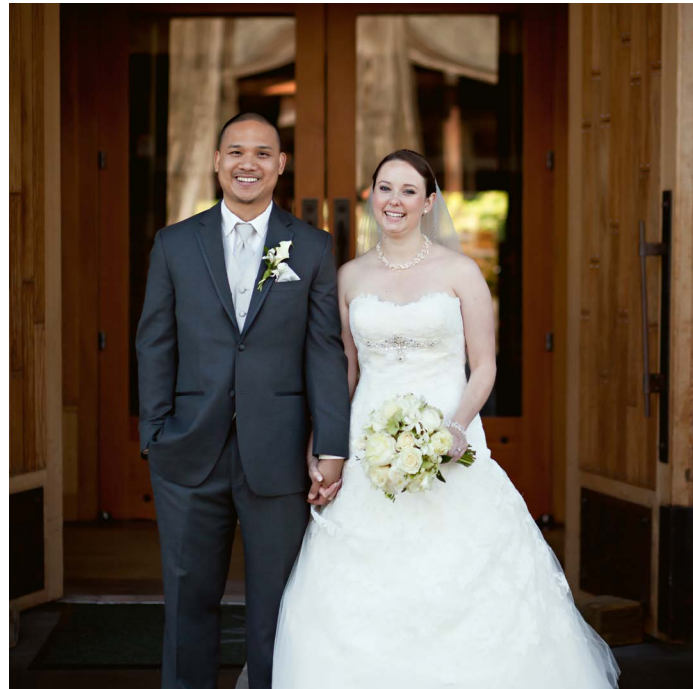
Sincerely,

ANTHONY & AMANDA

Our Story



We met through our church. We were both a part of the singles ministry. After developing our friendship over a year, we began dating. We dated for two years, then Anthony proposed. We were engaged for one more year. We have been married for ten years in July, so altogether we have been in a relationship for 13 years.



Spending time together is our favorite thing to do. Quality time, hugs, laughter, and openness are a part of our daily lives. Our marriage is rooted in our faith in Jesus Christ. We strive to love each other by putting each other's needs above our own. We support one another through all of life's ups and downs. We are each other's best friend, and our marriage is based on mutual love and respect.



“Spending time together is our favorite thing to do!”



ABOUT

AMANDA

BY ANTHONY

Amanda is the best, most loving wife a husband could ever ask for. She is a planner, and she does a great job helping me plan our future. She's also great at planning our family vacations. She always finds fun new adventures for us to do together. I enjoy spending time with her trying out new restaurants or going to Seahawks or basketball games. Amanda is a big Seahawks fan.

Amanda is a loyal friend. She loves spending time with her friends, doing crafts, and drinking coffee. Amanda is a dedicated teacher and loves working with kids everyday. She is always creating special family memories through activities. Recently, she's having a lot of fun cooking and trying out new dishes. Amanda is becoming an excellent cook!



MORE ABOUT AMANDA

Occupation: Teacher

Favorite Books: Harry Potter

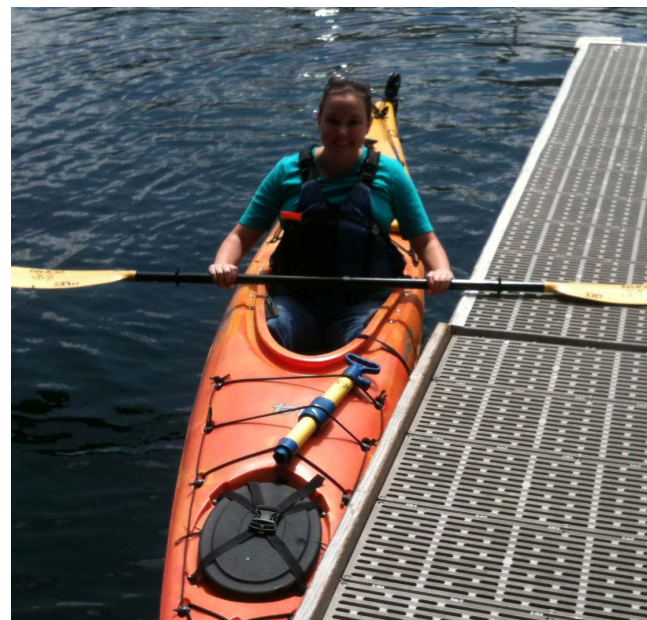
Favorite Place: Disneyland

Can't Live Without: Coffee and my family

My Perfect Day: I love going on new adventures with my family. Walks, hikes, trips to the zoo, or beach, geocaching and trying new restaurants.

“ Amanda is the most loyal and loving wife. I love our adventures together. ”

– Anthony



ABOUT

ANTHONY



BY AMANDA

Anthony pretty much goes exclusively by the nickname "Jet". His older sister gave him this nickname when he was a little kid. Her name is Theresa, so everyone called her "Tet". When Anthony came along, she said, "If I'm Tet, this must be Jet!" The nickname stuck and now everyone calls him "Jet".

Anthony is easy-going, friendly, and kind. Anthony is committed to his family and builds strong relationships with his friends. Wherever we go, Anthony can make friends easily. He finds ways to connect with people and often chats with others about his favorite team, the Seahawks! Anthony likes to be active, he exercises regularly and especially loves to play basketball. He never misses watching the Seahawks play!



MORE ABOUT
ANTHONY

Occupation: Construction

Favorite Movies: Fast and the Furious Movies; Avengers

Favorite Place: Lake Chelan

Can't Live Without: My family

My Perfect Day: Paddle-boarding at the beach with my family.



“Anthony is the kindest, friendliest person I know.”

– Amanda



ABOUT

DANIEL



Daniel is almost five years old. He is a smart, curious, and busy boy. He loves playing outside and trying different sports. Last summer he participated in soccer, T-ball, and swim lessons. Daniel is currently in pre-school. He loves going to school and playing with the other kids. He is very social and makes friends easily. He can't wait to become a big brother!

Daniel was adopted as a newborn and we have an open adoption with Daniel's birthparents, Sarah and Brian, through updates, pictures and visits. We also have an open relationship with Daniel's older half-brother, Gus, and his parents. They live closer to us, so we are able to get the boys together regularly, and they love playing together.

Age: 5 in March
Occupation: Wants to work with Daddy
Favorite Book: Berenstain Bear books
Favorite Place: Anywhere Mommy is; outdoors
Can't Live Without: His stuffed fox, Paw Paw.
My Perfect Day: Spending time playing outside with other kids.



OUR HOME & COMMUNITY

We own a two-story home with four bedrooms in a gated community in a large city in Washington. We have lots of kids in the neighborhood. Daniel loves riding his bike around the block and playing on the community playground. Our house is on the end of a street, so it is very safe. Anthony set up a basketball hoop in the front of the house. We also have a fenced in backyard. Daniel loves to set up the sprinkler in the summer to run through.



OUR EXTENDED FAMILY



In Amanda's words: My dad was in the army, so we moved around a lot when I was young, even living in Germany for a few years. After my dad retired from the military we moved to Washington. I am an only child, and I always wanted brothers and sisters. My parents have been married for 48 years. I had a wonderful childhood filled with love and laughter, and I've remained very close with my parents. We get together regularly for dinner. My mom, Rose Marie, and I love to go shopping. My dad, John, is generous and kind. He gives the best advice. They have always been involved, loving, supportive parents. They are also loving grandparents who can't wait to spoil a new grandchild!



Cousins birthday bash



Disneyland with Grandparents



Visit with cousin Mikaela

In Anthony's words: I grew up in Manila, Philippines. We always spent time together as a family. My dad passed away when I was 19. A few years later, my mom and I were able to immigrate to the United States. Later, my sister was able to move to the United States as well. My mom passed away a few years later. I have a BIG Filipino family that lives in the area. We get together regularly with them for family parties. They love to celebrate holidays, birthdays and ballgames! There is always lots of good Filipino food to eat, including my favorites, chicken adobo and lumpia.

OUR FRIENDS



We have a large group of mutual friends. We regularly get together with them for dinner parties and game nights. Lots of our friends have their own kids, so Daniel has lots of playmates.



Daniel's fourth birthday



Amanda's best friend Brittany

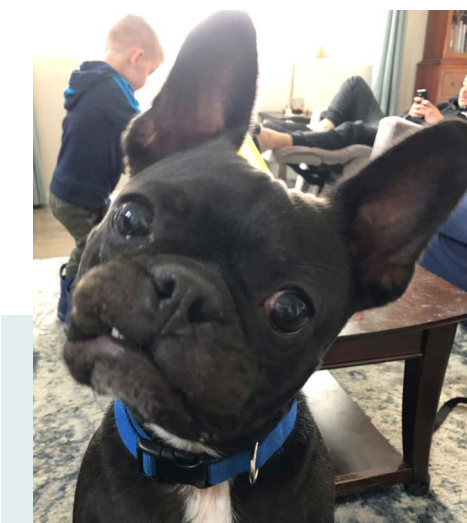


Anthony's best friend Justin

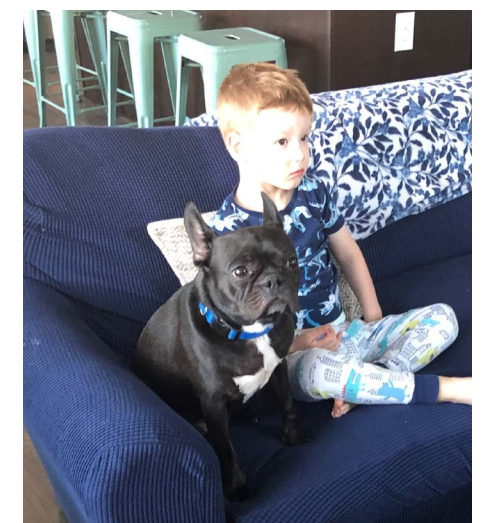


Justin gives T-ball tips

OUR DOG, SHERMAN



Our dog, Sherman, was named after Richard Sherman, who was one of our favorite Seahawks players. He is a French bulldog - Boston terrier mix. We adopted him just before we adopted Daniel, so they have grown up together! Sherman loves Daniel and is very gentle with him. Daniel loves to play tug-a-war and fetch with Sherman.



WHY WE ARE ADOPTING



For several years we tried to grow our family, however we were not able to get pregnant due to infertility. Adoption became our best plan for adding to our family and led to us adopting Daniel.

We have a wonderful open relationship with Daniel's birth parents. We would love for Daniel to have a sibling to grow up with. We hope to have an open adoption and to build a relationship with you as well, if that is what you choose. We can't wait to welcome a new baby into our family.

“Born not from our flesh but born in our hearts, you were longed for and wanted and loved from the start.”

WE PROMISE:

- > To love and encourage this baby, and to be the best parents we can be for them.
- > In good times and bad, we will be consistent and committed.
- > We will always take care of them.
- > To be present both physically and emotionally, and to give them all the hugs and love they need (plus a few more).
- > To be there for this child for our whole lives.



Daniel and half-brother, Gus, meet for the first time



Daniel's birth grandmother



Daniel and Gus



Daniel and his birth parents

FUN FACTS

ABOUT US



Anthony loves to paddle-board and play basketball.

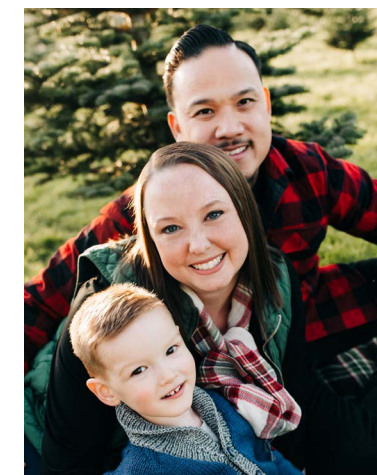


Anthony coached Daniel's T-ball team.

We went geocaching together as a family.



Amanda loves making s'mores at the campfire.



Anthony installed the glass on the Space Needle.

Amanda sews - She has made a quilt and advent calendar for Daniel.



THANK YOU



Thank you so much for taking the time to look through our portfolio. As you make your decision, we pray that you will be filled with peace, comfort, and that the right family will be made clear for you. Thank you and blessings to you.

ANTHONY & AMANDA