



# Hello There,

We are truly thankful for your consideration to include us in your adoption plan. You are demonstrating such strength, courage and selflessness in this journey to find a loving home for your child. We are here to travel that journey along side you. We want to assure you that, if you choose us as parents for your child, your decision will lead to a loving and supportive story of happiness for your baby. We will strive to provide a home filled with joy, laughter, fun, warmth and unconditional love. They will be forever cherished.

We will also be here for you and make sure you feel supported in all of your decisions. We are known by those around us as helpers, supporters, and great listeners. While we have had some challenges in our journey to parenthood and have felt our share of heartache, we know just how important it is to have a strong support system. We truly believe in our hearts that everything happens for a reason, in His timing.

With love and care!







## OUR STORY

in Reggie's words



We met in 2005 at an educational event at work. I saw Rachael, at her booth discussing Text and Picture messaging features on phones and how they operate (this was a long time ago and these were cool new features!) and was amazed by Rachael's intelligence and beauty. I approached her, only to have her say "No thanks." Over the next few years, I successfully worked my way into (and out of) the "friend zone" and by 2008, we were engaged!

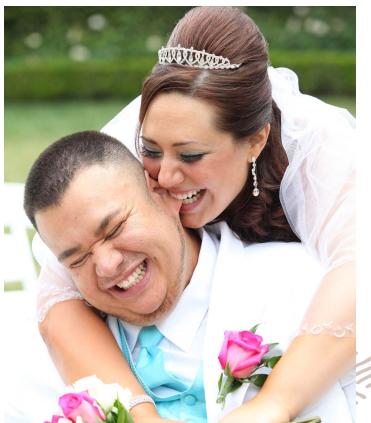
We have been married since 2010 and had our special day at the happiest place on earth, Disneyland. We still love to date each other; doing goat yoga, having romantic dinners, going to the movies, seeing favorite comedians, or going to concerts (especially Mariah Carey when she is touring since that's Rachael's fave). We also like to spend time with our families, friends and their children. We love all animals but are totally dog people, and have 1 pup, Sophia; she loves everyone and is a big rascal!













### MEET RACHAEL by Reggie

Rachael is a California girl at heart and is such a fun and loving soul. What I love most about her is her strength, sense of humor, nurturing personality and definitely her smile. It amazes me just how caring and patient she is. She is strong, yet gentle and effortlessly provides me and others in our lives emotional support when needed. I saw even MORE beauty in her when we had our foster child. Her attentiveness and natural intuition was a sight to see.

Rachael's professional career also reflects her nurturing influence. She is so intelligent and a natural problem solver, which has led her to a successful 19 years with her company. For most of her career, she has held leadership roles and is passionate about helping others grow in their careers, personally and professionally. I can't wait to see her shine her light when she becomes a mama to the child that was meant for us.



Rachael and previous foster son



MORE ABOUT Rachael

**OCCUPATION:** Sales Director

FAVORITE MOVIE: Pretty Woman

FAVORITE PLACE: Disneyland

CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT: Reggie, Starbucks

and shopping

MY PERFECT DAY: A sunny day laying by the beach, relaxing and laughing with the

people I love



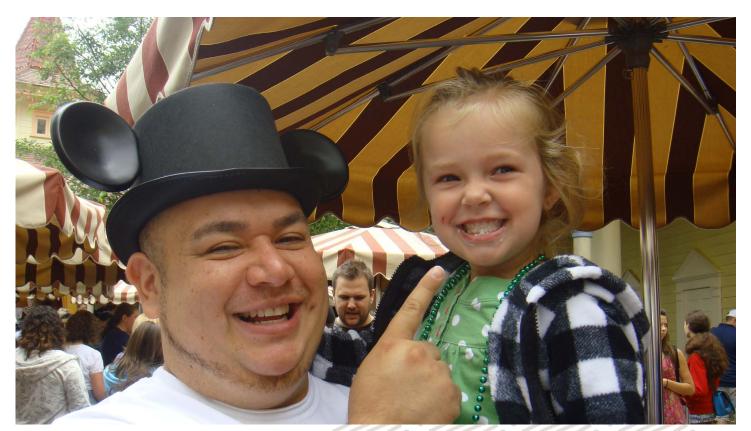
Rachael is truly my better half as she is the most beautiful, loving and caring soul with a great sense of humor. 99





Fun with Auntie Rachael in Hawaii





Goddaughter time at Disneyland

Reggie is a smart, lighthearted, thoughtful man whose goal is to make everyone around him happy and laugh! 99

- Rachael





# REGGIE by Rachael

Reggie is hilarious. He is outgoing and confident and fun. Early in his career he was a Radio DJ and I think this allowed him to really showcase this side of his personality beautifully. He is also extremely smart. He geeks out on all things computer, audio and electronics related. All of our friends and family have him on speed dial as their go-to for any technical support needs!

Reggie is my rock. He is such a committed man, so strong and vibrant. He really is my better half. Not sure how it's possible but seeing his unwavering love and attentiveness while we were fostering, made me fall so much deeper in love with him.



Reggie and previous foster son



MORE ABOUT

**OCCUPATION:** Senior Recruiter

FAVORITE MOVIE: Dumb and Dumber

FAVORITE PLACE: Disneyland

CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT: My boo

(Rachael), burritos and my boomin home

audio system

MY PERFECT DAY: A foggy day, spent relaxing and spending quality time with

my family and some good food

## OUR EXTENDED

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Rachael comes from a diverse family heritage. Her mom's family is from Germany and Mexico, and her dad's family is from Sicily. She was born in Arizona and much of her family still lives there. She is the oldest of 2 brothers and 1 sister and loves being a Tia! Christmas has always been a family favorite holiday where we spend way too much time shopping, wrapping, decorating, setting up multiple trees in the house and baking for friends, family and neighbors for days!

Reggie is of Latino heritage, Dad is from Nicaragua, Mom is from Honduras, but Reggie was born in California. Reggie has 2 older stepbrothers and a younger sister. Family and friends are so important in our family. Cookouts, fun chats, kids playing and running around. Birthdays, Easter, Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas always take place at each of the grandma's houses, and it is too much fun and too much food!



Nana with grandbabes



Good eats with nephews



Reggie's family at our wedding



Rachael's sister's big day in Hawaii



Reggie's youngest nieces



Double date at Disneyland



Rachael's baby brother

#### OUR FRIENDS

We have a diverse set of friends. Friends that have children, friends who are married without children as well as single friends from all different backgrounds and ethnicities.



BBQ at our house



achael's childhood bestie



Carpool fun with friends



Celebrating with friends

#### OUR HOME and community

We live in a beautiful, quiet, safe, and gated community in Southern California. Our neighbors are so friendly and you can always see someone outside walking a dog or kiddos playing. Our community is on a beautiful golf course, and we have a horseback riding trail behind our home and multiple community parks and schools close by.

Living in Southern California is so amazing and gives us endless access to beaches and fun landmarks like the San Diego Zoo, Safari Park Zoo, Legoland and Disneyland!



Our beautiful backyard



Walking the pups with Rachael's brother



Our forever home



Our safe, gated community



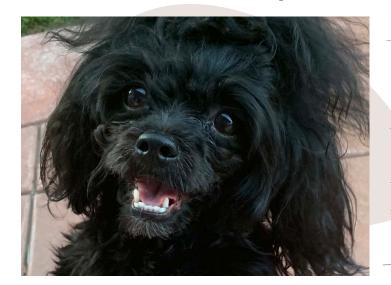
Community park



Our favorite duck pond

#### OUR DOG, SOPHIA

We have a small, 7 pound little fur baby named Sophia. She is a black Maltese/Shitzu mix. She loves all people, kiddos and other — dogs and craves all the snuggles. Sophia looks forward to going on walks with her daddy and enjoys talking to (barking at) the horses that ride along the trail behind our home. She can't wait to be a big sister!







WHY WE ARE

## ADOPTING ==

Adoption was always meant to be part of our journey. Reggie was in a foster home as a child and so we knew we wanted to give back in that way. We had an amazing opportunity to foster and successfully reunify a child after being in our care for 18 months. As well, we have faced challenges with fertility, but even if we didn't, our plan was to adopt as we know there are children who need homes, and we want to be that home for our child.



## FUN FACTS

ABOUT Pachael E Reggie

We are both huge Disney fans! It's our happy place!



Rachael loves to cook, and Reggie is an amazing sous chef!



We love to volunteer with our church and Children's ministry!

# PROMISE TO GIVE A CHILD:

- >> An unconditional loving home
- >> A space to be heard, seen and supported in their dreams
- >> Examples of what love, faith, kindness and compassion look like
- >> A home filled with fun, laughter, family and love
- >> A life full of opportunities



We have been on "Let's Make a Deal" TV show and our friends won a jet ski and a washer/dryer.





Thank you!

Thank you so much for taking the time to get to know us and for considering us as potential adoptive parents for your baby. We cannot begin to comprehend the weight of the decisions you're facing, but we do understand this can be an emotional and overwhelming process. Having been through infertility and foster parenting, we know just how important a strong support system is and would love to be part of that for you. We hope we have been able to show you through this profile that if you choose us, we will honor the opportunity to become parents and we will fiercely love, protect, and cherish your child.

Rachael & Reggie