



*Welcoming Your Child
into
Our Hearts and Home*

Hello...

We are Katherine and Ivan and we would like to tell you a little bit about ourselves in the hope that you would consider placing your child with us.

We think you are very brave to have made the difficult decision to give life to your baby. You show tremendous courage, selflessness and responsibility in choosing to give your child a rich, loving life through someone like us. We also share your desire to give your baby the best life possible.

We had the privilege of experiencing the joys of adoption when we adopted our daughter Claire in July 2006. Her adoption was the best thing that we ever did and we know adopting another child will be just as positive and loving as the first adoption experience.

Thank you for taking the time to consider us to care for your child. We hope this will give you an idea of who we are and the kind of life we can offer your child. We would cherish the opportunity to welcome your child into our lives and provide a warm and loving home.

Katherine and Ivan

OUR LOVE STORY...



Katherine and Ivan first met when they were colleagues and friends at the same company. Katherine was single and working on adopting her first child. Ivan was a divorced dad of three children; Alec, Gabrielle and Savannah.

Shortly after beginning to date, Katherine was matched with a birth mother and adopted her daughter, Claire. Ivan was supportive and loving throughout the adoption of Claire and instantly became her father. Three years later, Katherine and Ivan were married with all the children being members of the wedding party. Ivan legally adopted Claire shortly thereafter.

Ivan and Katherine's marriage is based on mutual respect, love and commitment. Katherine was first attracted to Ivan because he was smart, funny, good looking, and a devoted Dad. Ivan loves Katherine's spirit, caring nature, and her profound love of family. Both are Christians, attend church, and have a strong spiritual nature.

We both have always loved children and find them the greatest joys of our lives. We feel very blessed that we have been able to share our love with our children. Our families and friends are thrilled and excited about our plans to adopt another child and we look forward to welcoming a new child into our family.



OUR FAMILY...



We are blessed to have four beautiful and wonderful children. We are truly grateful to be able to watch them grow and blossom into bright, active, happy and thriving individuals.

Alec is the eldest and currently attends college in Wisconsin where he is

studying international business. Alec's passion is coffee and he works part time as a barista at a local coffee shop. We miss him terribly when he is away at school but he calls often and comes home frequently.

Gabrielle and Savannah are both teenagers and they live with their mother in Texas. The girls visit every holiday, summer vacation and long weekend. Ivan often visits the girls in Texas and we never go more than three weeks without seeing them. Gabrielle loves animals and hopes to work as a veterinarian technician after college. Savannah plays the tuba and is a member of her high school marching band and the orchestra. She also plays basketball and runs track.

Claire is in first grade. She loves school and playing with other children. Claire especially enjoys being outdoors and playing with her our family dog, Kelsey. It is our strong desire to give her a sibling so that they may grow up together and form the strong bonds similar to the ones that all the children have today.

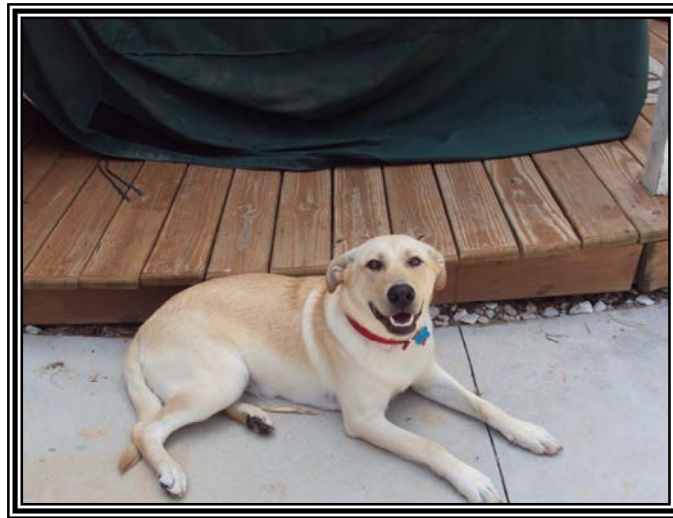
All the children are excited to have a new baby join the family. The girls can't wait to help feed, bathe and take care of a new baby. Alec looks forward to teaching and playing with him or her. The kids are especially close to one another and keep in touch via phone, text and Facebook. Your child would be welcomed and loved by all four of our children.



Coffee Time



The girls taking a walk



Our dog Kelsey



Bike riding at the beach



First day of college

OUR HOME...

We own a six bedroom home in a quiet, safe, family neighborhood outside of Atlanta, Georgia. The house is located on a quiet street where Claire and all the neighborhood children ride their bikes and play. The baby will have his/her own room and there is plenty of space for toys. One of the best features of our home is the large, fenced backyard that has a pool, swing set and sandbox and is perfect for all the kids and the family dog. We look forward to playing endless games of kickball and planting flowers and vegetables with a new child.



Claire loves to play at the nearby park. The park has a large pond with geese and ducks as well as a brand new playground that overlooks the water. Atlanta offers excellent schools and a wide variety of activities for children and families including a zoo, a Discovery Museum and a Six Flags amusement park.

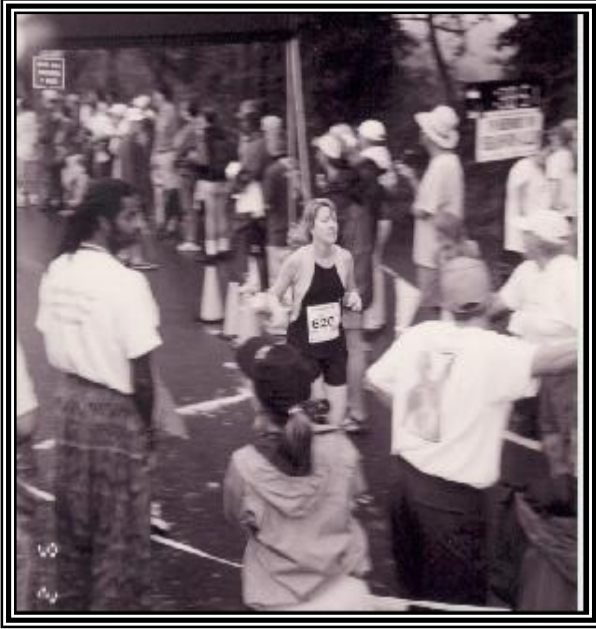
OUR JOBS...

Katherine and Ivan both work in the travel industry. Ivan is an executive with an aviation technology company and Katherine provides sales and marketing for a small travel software firm. Because our jobs rely heavily on computer technology, we have been able to set up a home office so that both Ivan and Katherine can work directly from there. Both of us can work from anywhere at any time as long as we have our computers. This means that our schedules are flexible and we can set our own hours to accommodate all the kids' activities and a new baby's schedule.

OUR INTERESTS AND HOBBIES...

Being in the travel industry, we often have the chance to visit new and exciting places. This has given us an appreciation of different customs and cultures. We enjoy traveling to the beach, the mountains and visiting family

and friends around the country and in Europe. Our love of travel and learning would be something we would share with a child.



Crossing the finish line

Our flexibility at work allows us a considerable amount of free time to pursue hobbies and interests. We love to read, cook, bike ride, swim, play tennis and run. Ivan and Katherine have run in several races especially for charity. Katherine plays the piano and loves all types of music from rock and roll and jazz to classical. Ivan plays golf, loves to ski and enjoys tending to

his vegetable garden and working in the yard. We both love to go to museums, plays and concerts. Being in Atlanta, we are fortunate to have good weather year round and to be able to spend considerable time enjoying the outdoors.

Family time is especially important to both Ivan and Katherine. Whether spending the holidays together, taking the kids and the dog to the park, or baking chocolate chip cookies, we enjoy being together as a family.



Running the Peachtree Road Race



Swimming with dolphins



Learning to scuba dive



Ivan skiing with friends



Playing the piano



Our 1st helicopter ride

OUR DAUGHTER...



One of the greatest joys in our lives is our daughter Claire. Katherine adopted Claire in July 2006. She was matched with Claire's birth mother about 2 months prior to her birth. We instantly connected and became friends. To this day, we keep in touch by email and we frequently send her pictures.

Claire's birth mom often sends pictures which we place in a photo album. We often look at this album with Claire so that Claire will know who her birth mother is and how much she loves her.

Claire's adoption has been the greatest experience of our lives. She is the center of our lives and we are grateful everyday that her birth mother chose to give us this incredible gift. Claire has brought so much happiness into not only our lives but also into the lives of our family and friends.

Claire is an amazing little girl. She is very bright and outgoing and is curious about everything and everyone. Claire loves playing outdoors with her friends, riding her bike in the neighborhood, swimming, having tea parties with her dolls and reading her books.

We would very much love to have another child join our family. Claire will be an excellent "big sister" and she will enjoy having a little brother or sister to love and play with.

Claire's health and happiness is the center point of our lives and that your child would be the perfect addition to our family. We would make your child feel cherished with an endless supply of love.



Claire's Baptism



Katherine and Claire



Ivan and Claire



Trick or Treat



Pony Rides



A carousel ride at the zoo



Mowing the yard with Dad



Thank you for taking the time to learn a little about us. We know that this brief glimpse into our life cannot answer all of your questions. We do hope that it has provided you some insight into us and our family and the desire to provide your child with the best life possible. We hope that we will have the opportunity to meet to get to know each other better and discuss the possibility of you placing your child with us.

We wish you all the best now and in the future.