Kenton, Kristin and Family

This book is lovingly dedicated to:

God - the Author of all life,

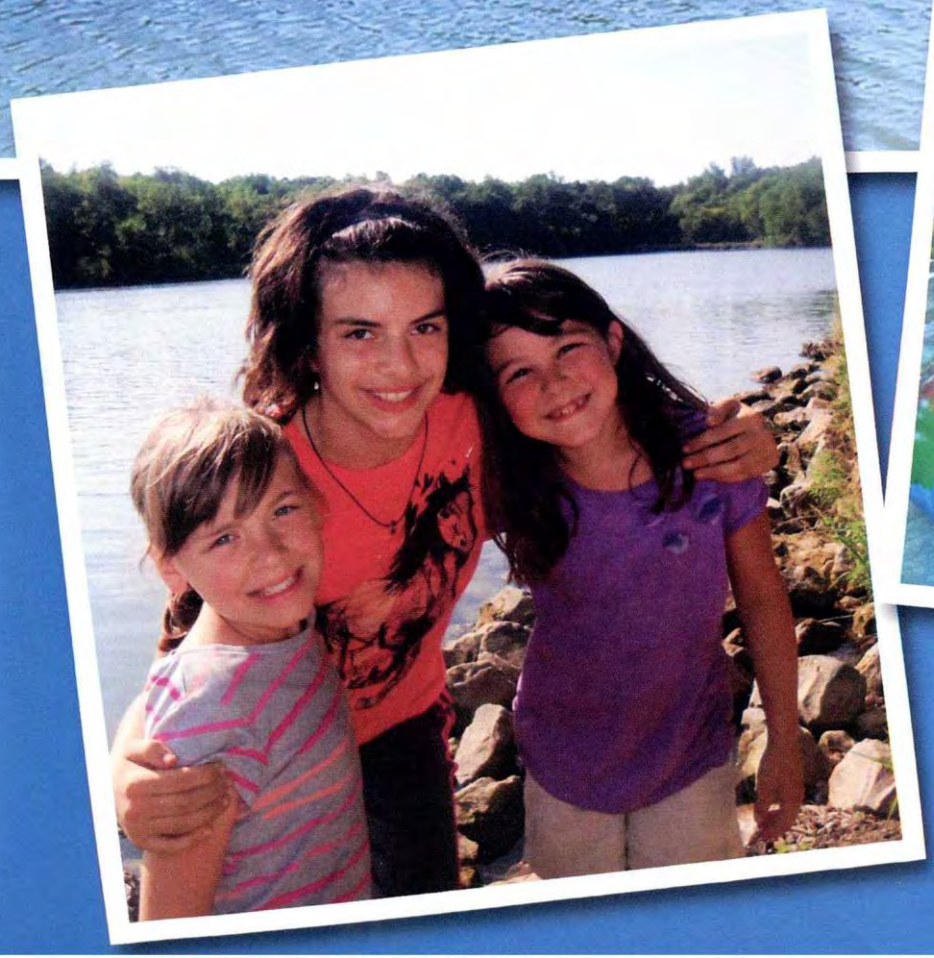
and to the

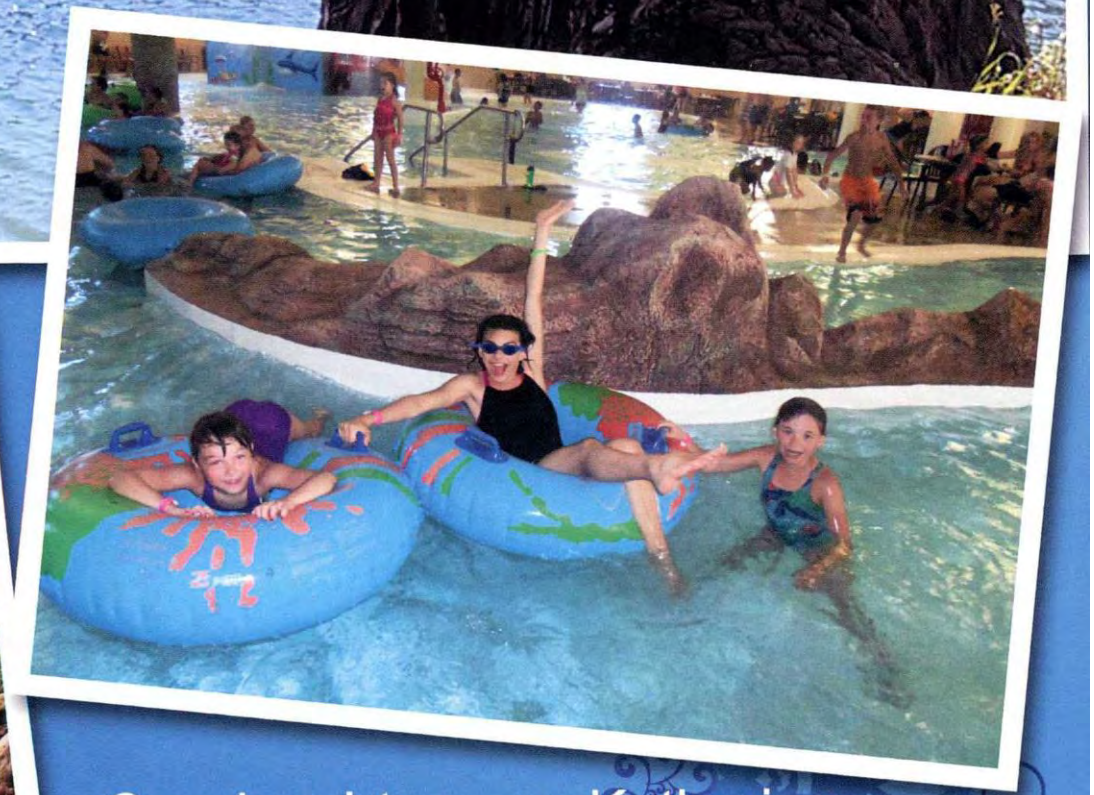
Birthmother - whose brave and selfless choice will change our lives forever,

and to the

Baby - whom we have not yet met but have made room in our hearts and home for.

We live in a safe, friendly town in the Midwest. We have three daughters (two are adopted). The five of us would love to have a baby join our family!



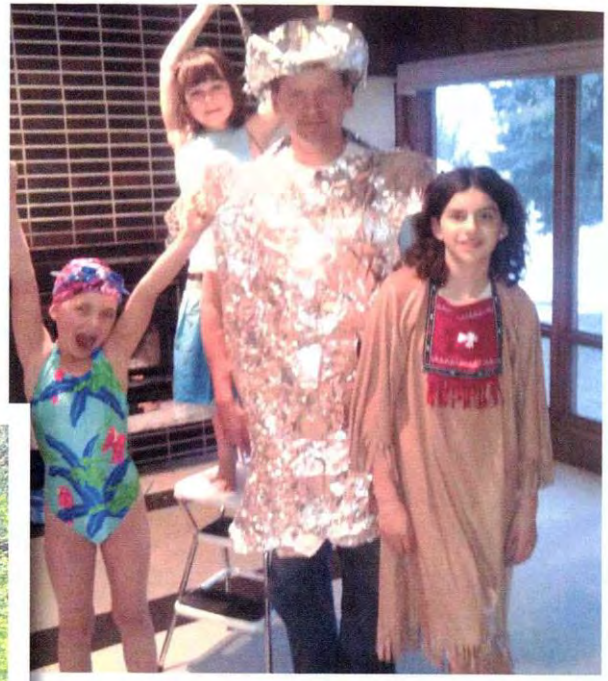


Our daughters are Katherine, Anna Karen, and Caroline. We also have a dog named Holly.

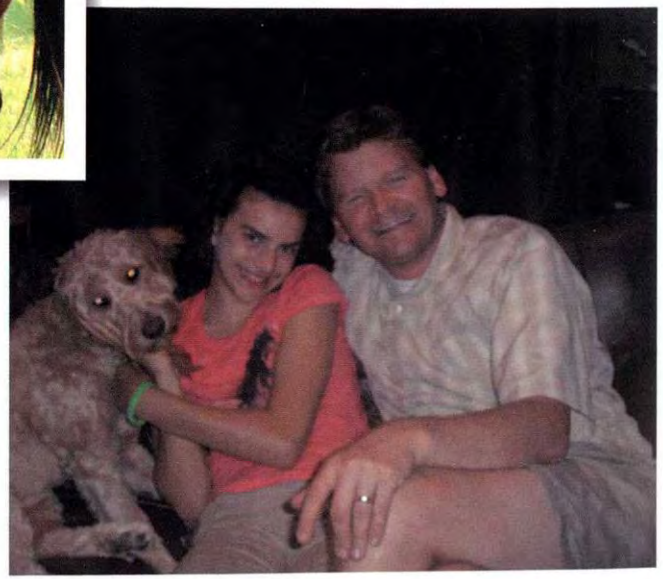
Kristin loves to teach the kids, cook, be outdoors, read and have fun with the family!

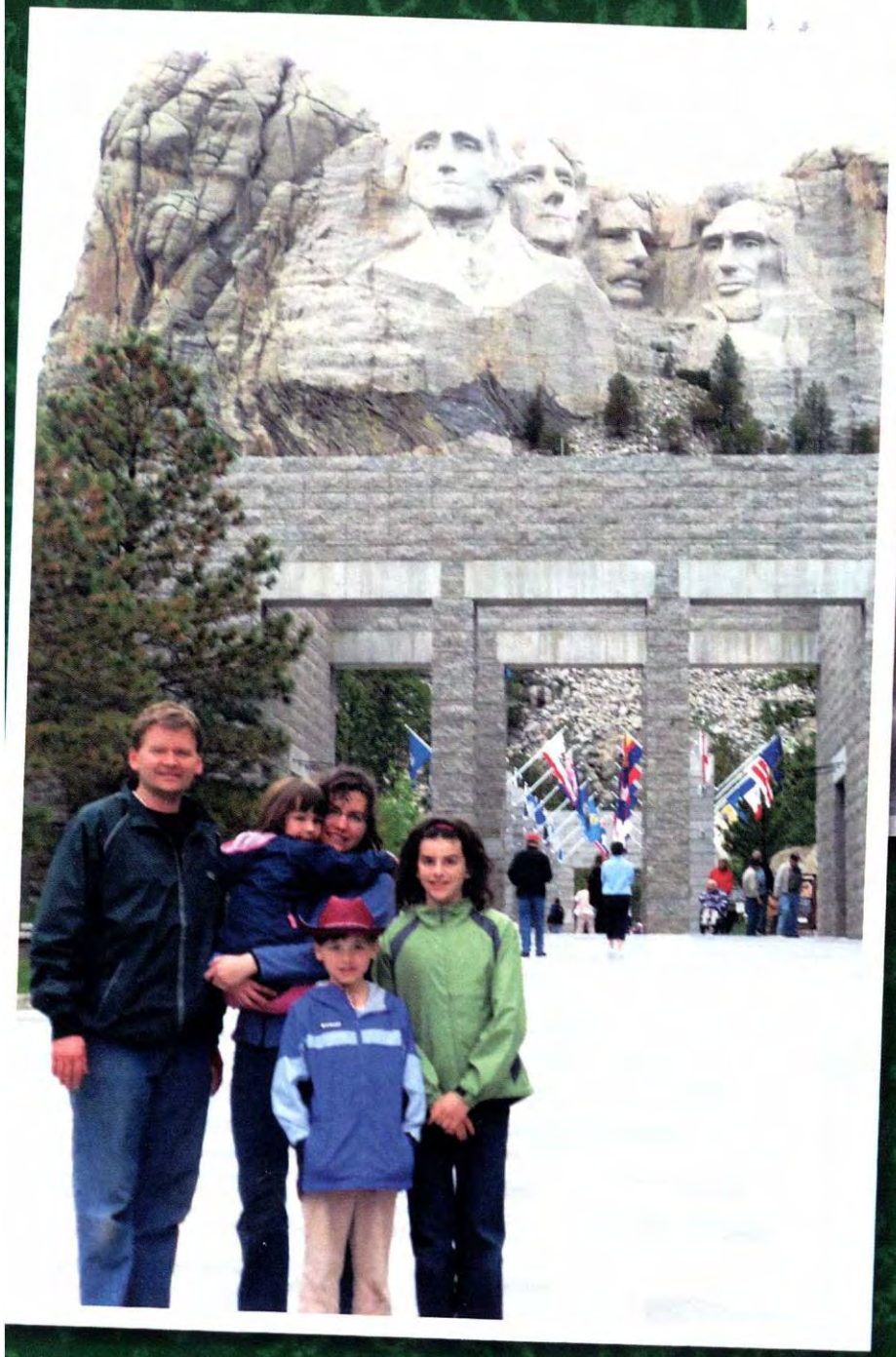
Kenton is a loving father who is adventuresome and creative.

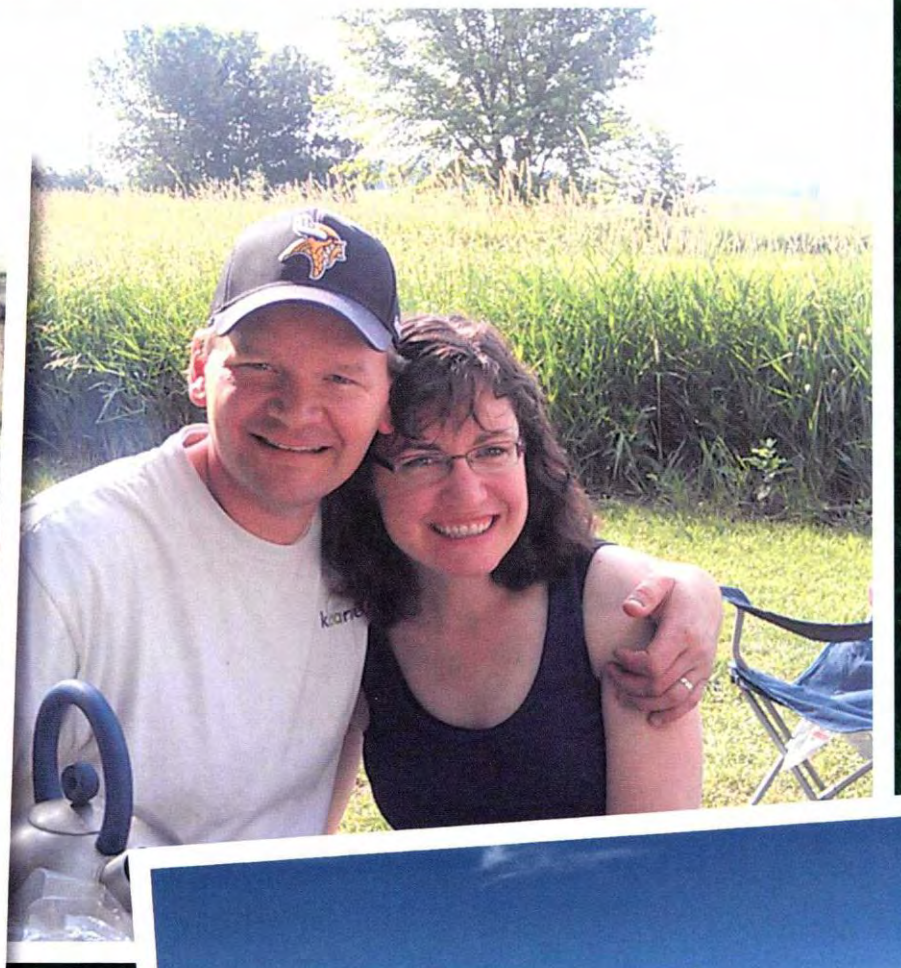
Acting out the Christmas story

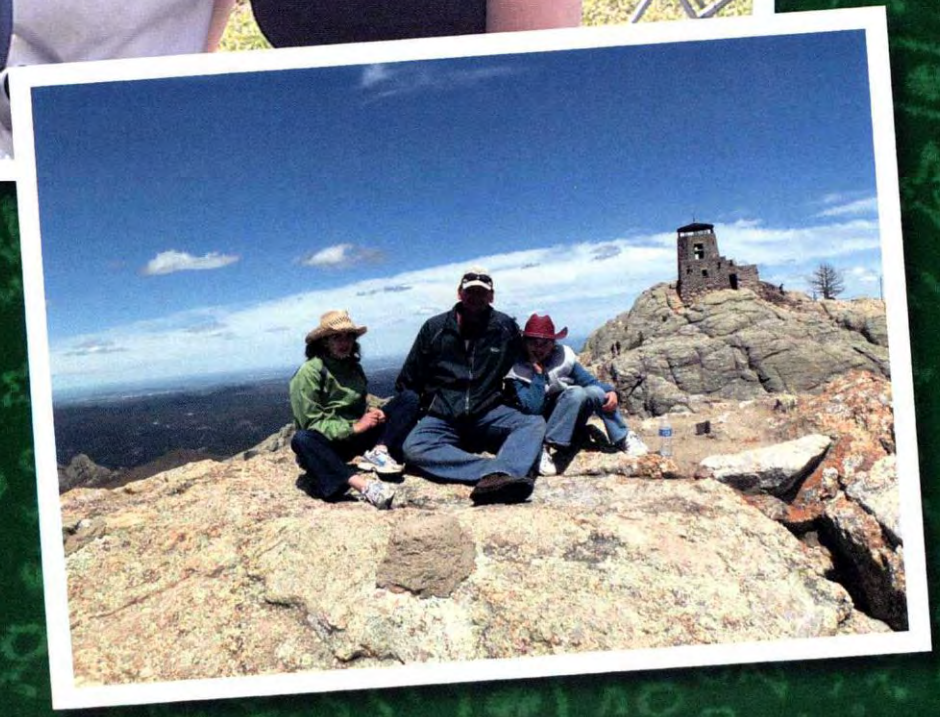


Dressed up as a baked potato, Olympic swimmer, Pocahontas and a fairy









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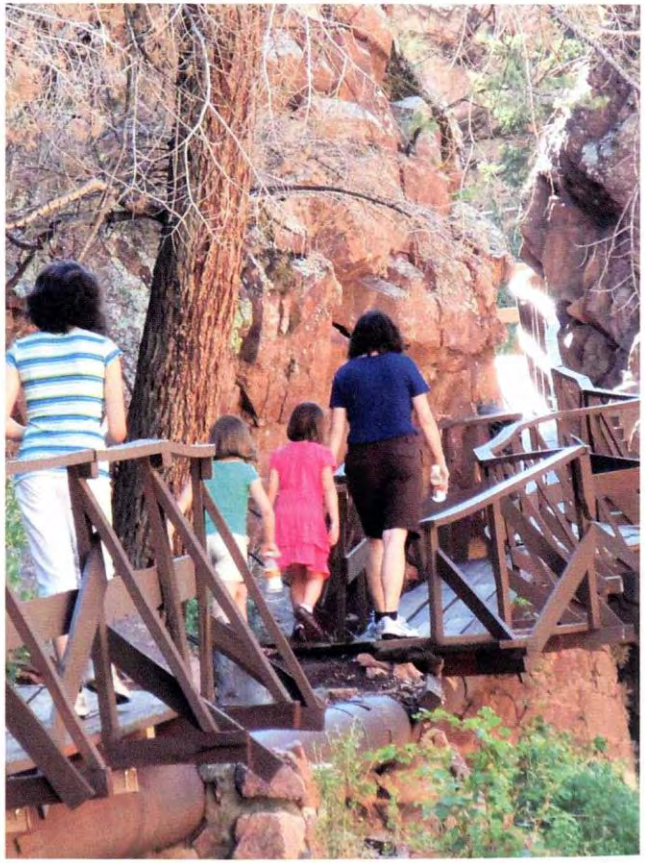
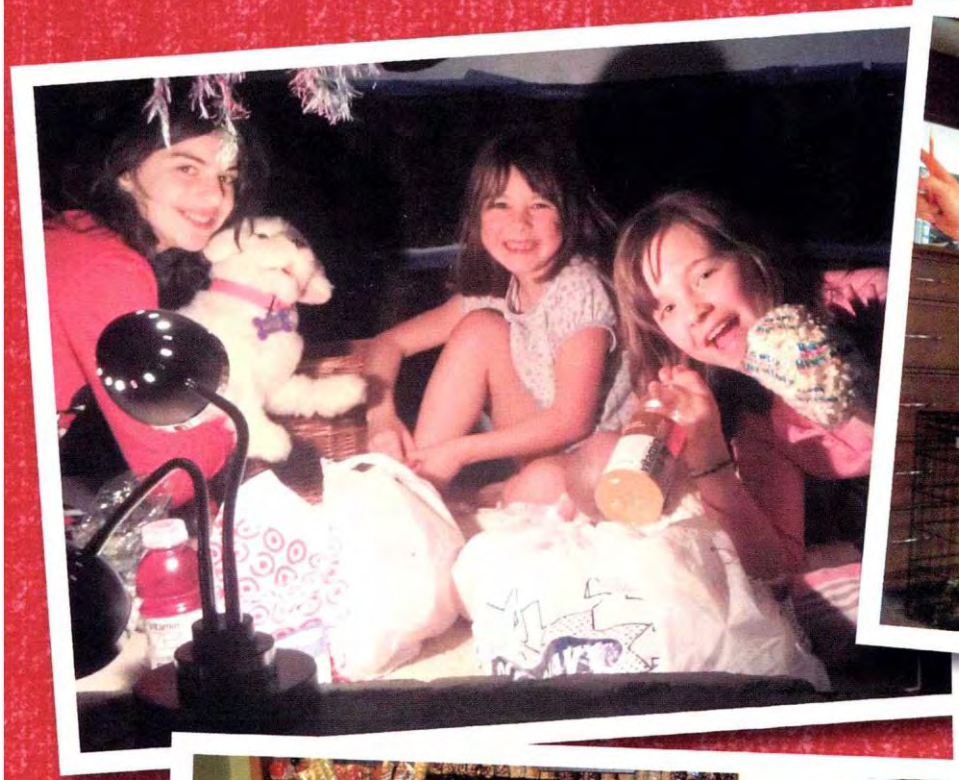
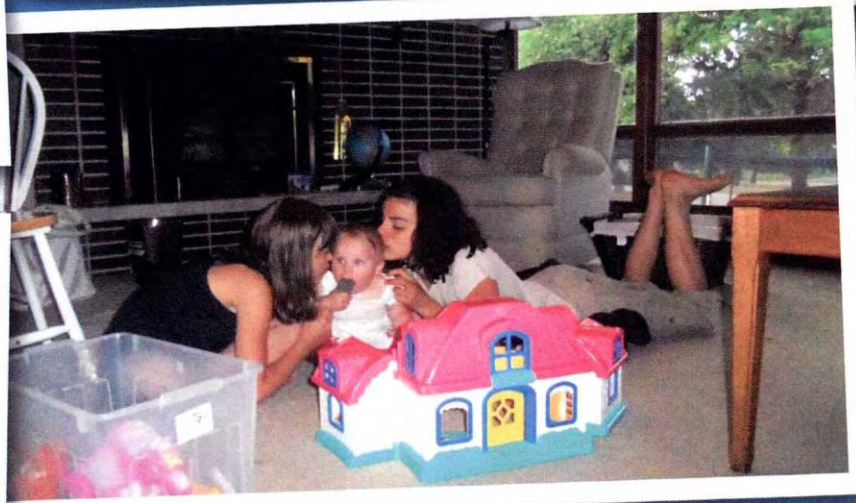




We have some fun family traditions.
We like to be silly and learn a lot too.
We asked the girls to describe our family in two words.
Here are their answers:
Katherine: "nature-loving and active"
Anna Karen: "unique and healthy"
Caroline: "kind and loving"

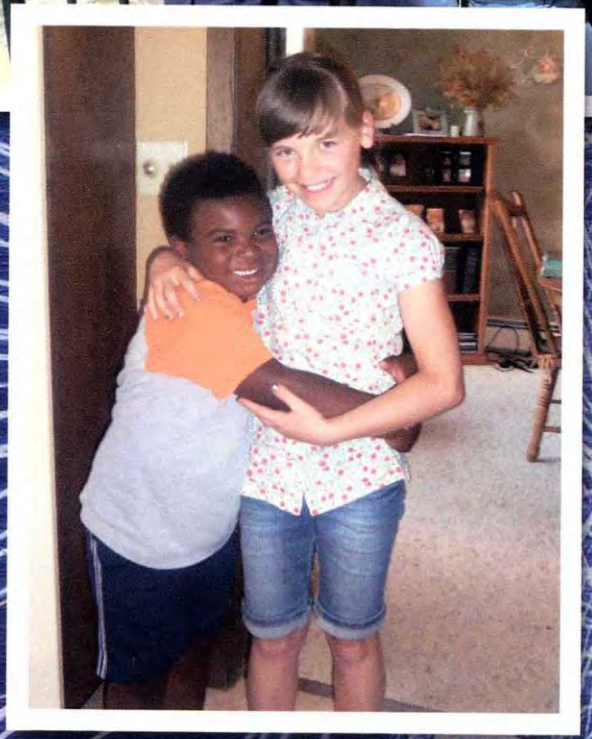
Disney World

Anna Karen loves to cook. Caroline loves art and Katherine loves animals. All of them like music and good food!

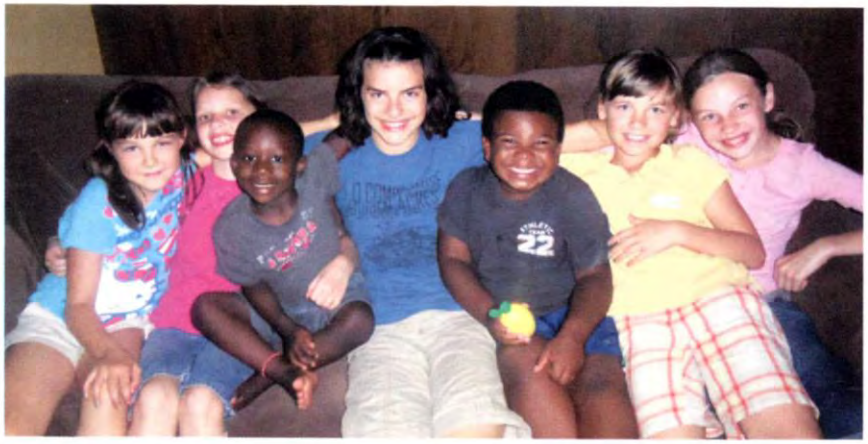


And they all love to help babysit!

The girls have wonderful grandparents, a close great aunt and a great grandmother

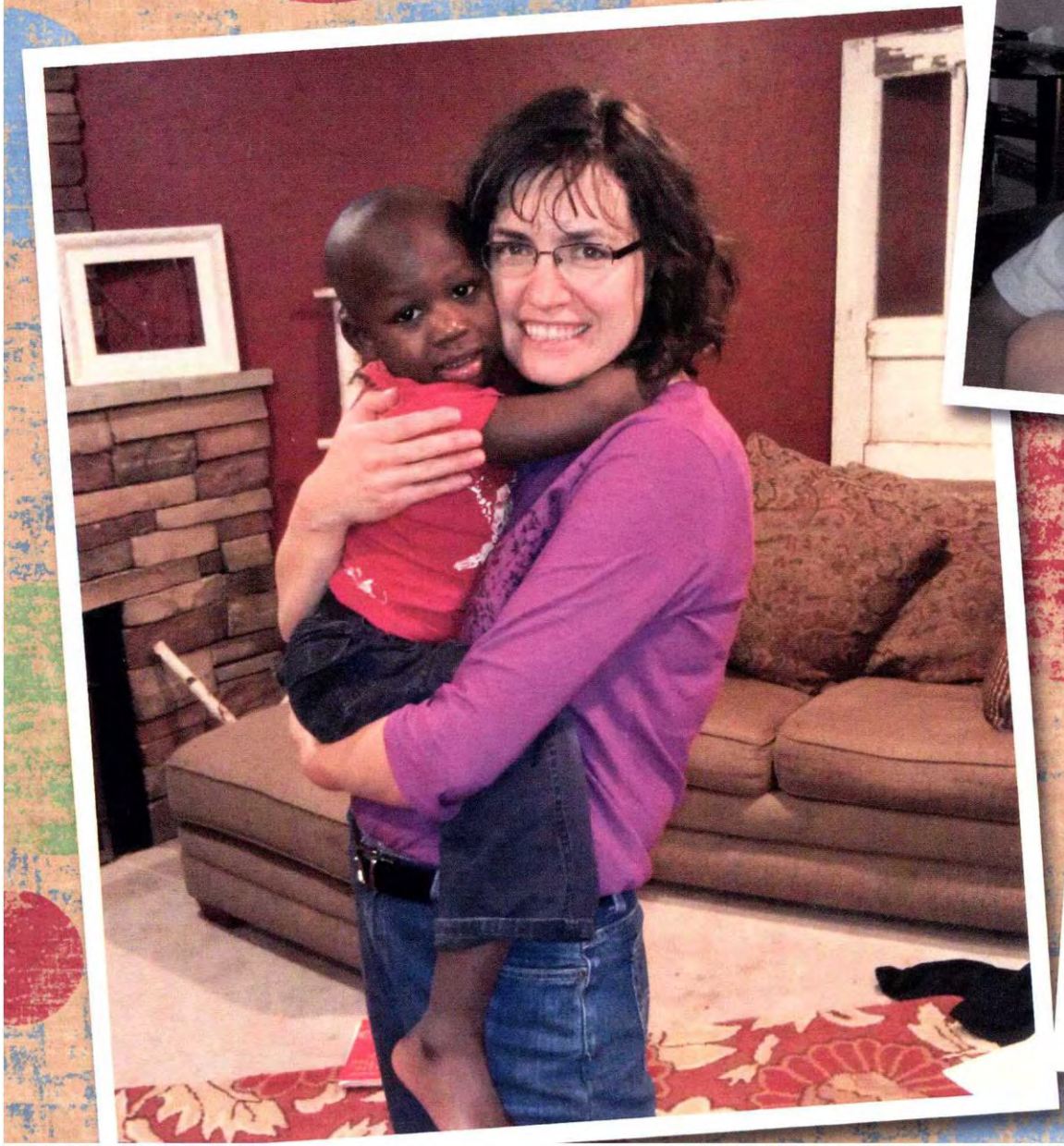


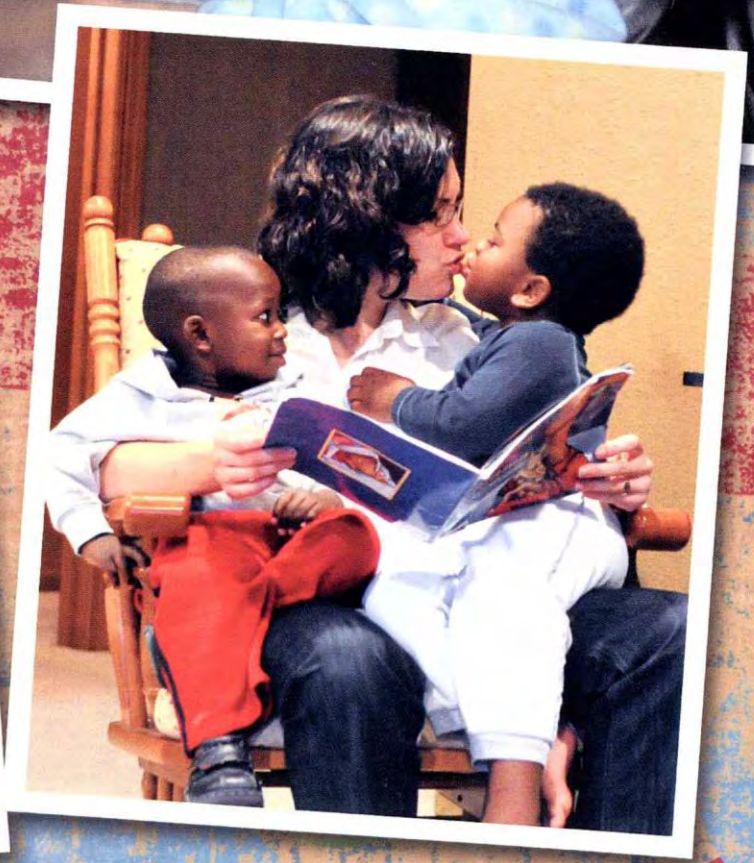
Kristin's sisters are her best friends.
They each have adopted two sons.



We love our family dearly and spend as much time together as we can. We couldn't ask for better aunts and uncles!

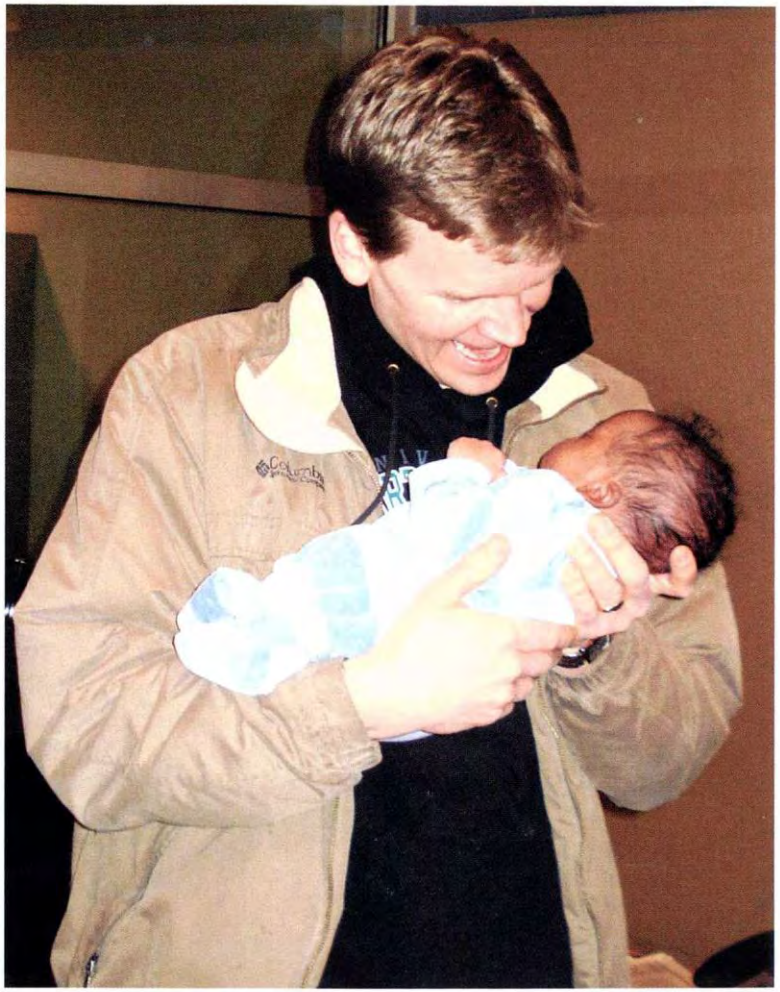
Kristin's greatest joy is a being a mommy and an auntie!





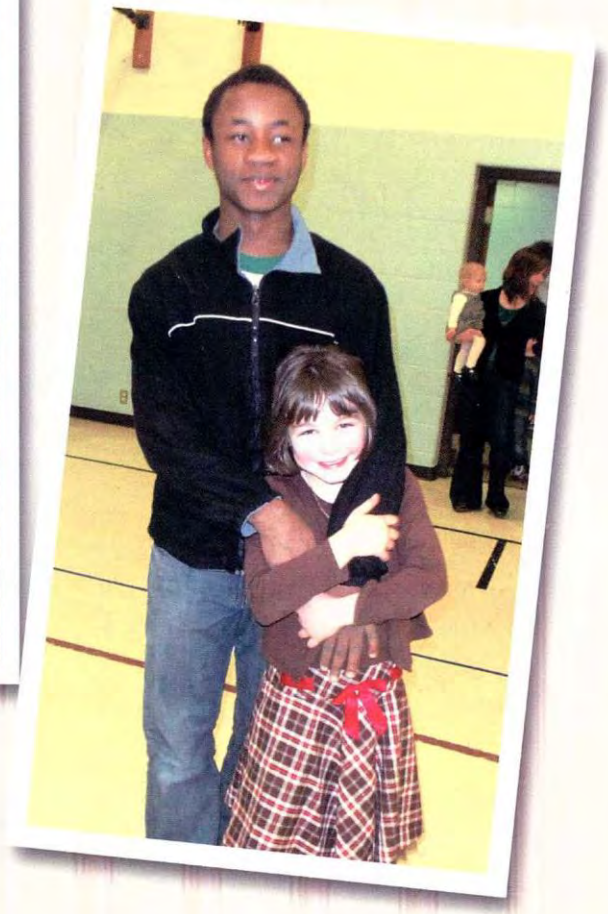
Kenton loves being a daddy and "Uncle Fun!"

Here we are with some of our youngest nephews.



Great neighbors, a loving church and caring friends

Thanksgiving with the neighbors



Kenton's best friend, Reg, and our families

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace..."
(Romans 5:13)

Dear Expectant Parent,

We cannot begin to imagine all that you are going through at this time. We are praying for your direction and peace. You are a courageous person and we have a deep respect and admiration for you for choosing life and considering what is best for your baby.

Thank you for taking time to get to know us. Kenton works at the local college in the enrollment department and Kristin is at home full-time. Two of our children were adopted. We are not able to conceive children. Adoption has been an incredible blessing to us! We don't have words to express our gratitude to our daughters' birth parents. We would take the responsibility of caring for another treasured baby very seriously.

You may be wondering why we would like to parent a fourth child. We love children! We love being a family and want to experience the love and joy another child can bring. We also want to offer a child unconditional love and acceptance, and the best education and cultural opportunities that we can. Your child will be prayed for and encouraged to be the unique individual God made him/her to be! We live a relaxed but full life, filled with love and laughter, good communication, work and play. A typical day for your child might include a trip to the museum or zoo, baking cookies with Mommy, jumping on the trampoline, giggling with sisters, dancing to fun music, putting on silly shows for Mom and Dad, art, playing ball or swimming with Daddy, and lots of stories, prayers, music and cuddles.

We want the child God has planned for our family. Because we believe His plan is best, we are open to a child of any gender and any race. Diversity is celebrated in our family and community. Kenton grew up in Papua New Guinea and his brother and wife are in the process of adopting two children from Ethiopia. Kristin's sisters and their husbands have adopted four African American sons. We are committed to providing each of our children with the individual attention, love and support they will need to thrive as an adult.

Please know we would be honored to meet you and answer any questions you might have. We pray God's peace guides you and comforts you each step of your journey. May you be blessed.

With Love and Respect,

Kenton, Kristin, Katherine, Anna Karen and Caroline