



Kait *and* Ben



🐦 Hello! We are 🐦

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from Chicago, Illinois



Thank you

so much for taking the
time to consider our
family for your child.

We know that considering adoption comes with many challenges, and we deeply admire the courage and openness it takes to make the best choice for yourself and your baby. Our prayer for you is that you find peace and clarity in whichever path feels right for you. Through this profile, we hope to share a glimpse of our lives—the love we share with each other, our family and friends, and our goofy dogs, who bring us both support and endless joy.



Why adoption?

We've always dreamed of having children, and as big kids at heart, we look forward to the joy and adventure of family life.

After years of trying and experiencing several pregnancy losses, we believe adoption is the path meant for us to grow our family. Adoption has always been on our hearts, and while we know it comes with unique challenges and blessings, we are excited for the possibility it holds. We've also seen close friends walk this path, and their experiences have shown us how beautifully adoption can transform and enrich a family.



After competing in our triathlon events for a fundraiser



We love
exploring new
restaurants!



Our Story

We met through youth ministry in Washington state, a time that sparked both our friendship and our shared love of serving others.

Our friendship first grew strong while supporting each other through mission trips, camp outings, and youth retreats—proof that we could handle the chaos together! During our time in youth ministry, we also saw how much we both love encouraging, laughing with, and walking alongside young people as they learn and grow. That same joy and teamwork carry into our marriage. Over the past 12 years, we've built a loving balance of commitment, fun, and support. We treasure our time together, while also encouraging each other's individual interests and friendships.





Hobbies *and Interests*



Playing board games at home



Visiting museums in downtown Chicago

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We love a good adventure and enjoy exploring new places like museums, zoos, restaurants, concerts, and musicals.

2

We would love to share these places and activities with a kid and inspire the wonder we have for the world!

3

We enjoy riding bikes at a nearby forest preserve and we occasionally even do yoga together.

4

One of our favorite places that we would love to bring our child to is Disney World.

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When we are not out exploring, we also love to be home and enjoy playing a game or watching a funny show together.



Family
reunion at
Disney World!



Meet Kait



Moving across the country at a young age sparked my love of travel, meeting new people *and exploring new places.*

My friends say I am loyal, supportive, and fun, which shows in my love language of spending quality time with others and always being up for helping a friend with a project! I am also super creative, which shows in my paintings, house projects and growing lots of flowers and vegetables!

My Christian faith is the foundation of my life and where I get my belief that every person is truly a gift and brings their own unique qualities to the world, as well as living generously and serving others.

**I am so
excited to be
a mama.**

My own mom passed away when I was very young and I am beyond grateful for the many surrogate mamas and “adopted” family in my life. All of these mamas have taught me the value of having a safe, welcoming home, being open to all and anyone, sharing food, hugs, and listening ears. I can’t wait to share these values with my own child some day.



Stopping to smell the flowers



Tending our garden



Kait in her happy place!



Ben says...

I know Kait will be a great mom because she is such a kind, compassionate and conscientious person.



She loves to share what she's passionate about and would be such a patient, creative and fun mother to our child. She always seeks to share her love and wonder of the natural world, as she has taught me about "Wood's Jewels", where we now share fun sightings in nature with each other. She would encourage our child to find their own special, unique self and help him or her to flourish while growing and learning.

Kait's Fun Facts

1

Loves gardening and all things nature and flowers.

2

Musical talents—can sing and play piano.

3

Loves the beach.

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Is literally a fish! Has swam all my life and just did my first triathlon relay swimming.

5

Enjoys baking (and eating baked things, has a major sweet tooth!)

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Loves sledding and snow—can't wait to take a child.

7

Enjoys reading, especially historical fiction and children's books.

8

Loves to travel and explore new places.



Meet Ben

I grew up in the
Denver area as the
*youngest of
three kids.*

My mom taught me to love Jesus and connected me to the church at a young age. My faith led me to pursue work in Youth Ministry and get my master's degree in Illinois, where I went to seminary although now I am a software engineer and volunteer at church. Also, I'm very techy and love working on my computer, as well as jamming on my electric guitar. I am also very creative, especially with food! I love trying a new recipe, have tried my hand at making Kombucha, roasting coffee beans, and baking sour dough bread.

I am a huge Disney, Marvel and Star Wars fan and could go to Disney for every vacation! Growing up in Denver made me a big fan of hockey, so we try to go to a game every year—Go Avalanche!

**I go above
and beyond
for my friends.**

sending care
packages to those
who are struggling
and connecting

with friends who live far away with a weekly game night.



Ben and Kait's brother at
Star Wars: Galaxy's Edge in Disney World

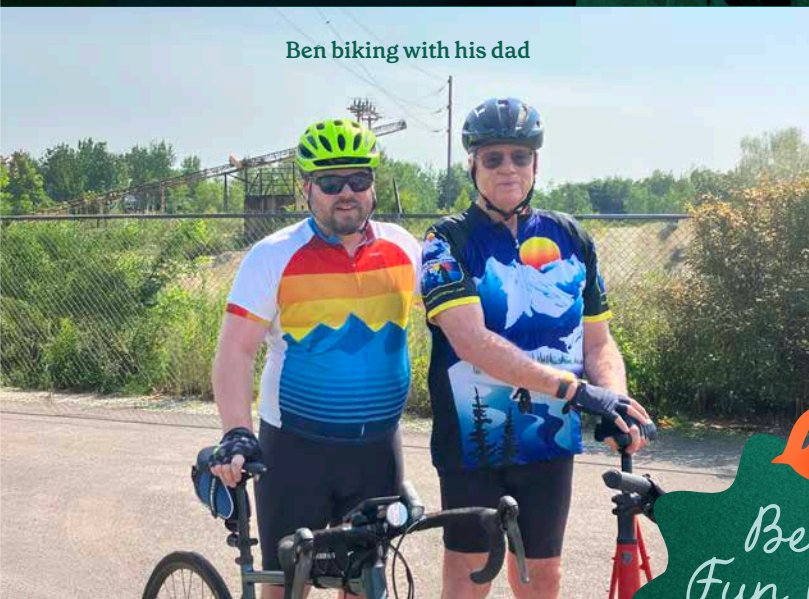


Ben showing off his home-made bread



Kait says...

Ben is so smart and his interests illustrate just how creative he is!



Ben biking with his dad

Ben's Fun Facts

1

Plays electric guitar and drums.

2

Plays Dungeons and Dragons every Friday night with friends online.

3

Loves hockey and played growing up. I've been a Colorado Avalanche fan since they moved to Denver where I grew up.

4

Can't wait to be able to do family bike rides.

5

Likes to make barbecue on the smoker and feed friends and family.

6

My favorite children's book is The Book With No Pictures by B.J. Novak. It's very fun and silly.

7

Can't live without coffee.

From roasting his own coffee beans to learning new chess openings, to building his own computer, his passion for learning and trying new things would encourage our child's own curiosity. He is so generous and caring with his time and is always helping friends and family. Ben always makes me laugh, especially when he's silly with our dogs.



Our Home

+ Community



*Tending
to our garden*

*While we love
exploring new places
and having adventures, we also
enjoy the simple, slow-paced
moments at home.*

We love hanging out at home to watch a funny show, playing with our dogs in the backyard, and grilling out with friends. We are good friends with several of our neighbors and enjoy walks around the block or going to a concert in the park nearby. Our home away from home is our local church community. We are actively involved in serving at our church and love sharing meals and game nights with our church family.

We usually do home projects together and both worked together to build our raised-bed vegetable garden, enjoying the fruits (and vegetables) of our labors every year now.



We love hosting BBQs at our home and eating outside



Our Careers

Kait is a child play therapist

who loves supporting kids and families through challenges. She finds play therapy brings healing, joy, and deeper understanding, and values empathy, validation, and unconditional love. Ben is a web developer who enjoys the daily problem-solving and creativity of building tools that make life easier and more meaningful for people.

Best Things About Our Community

1

Amazing local ice cream spot!

2

Concerts in the park.

3

Fun parks.

4

Friendly neighbors.

5

Ice skating rink just down the street!

All dressed up for Halloween!



Supporting family at their school play



Ben with his mom and siblings



Bike ride with Kait's brother



Kait hiking with her cousins

Our Family

We both have tight knit families, who love to spend time together and

do fun things!

Both of our families are spread around the country, so when we are able to get together and visit, lots of laughter and fun memories are made! Ben has two siblings who each have kids of their own that would love to welcome another niece or nephew to the family. His parents recently moved nearby and are very excited to be able to help care for a new grandchild. Kait's brother and cousins live nearby and we often gather for family walks or backyard parties. We also have many friends who have become our "chosen" family.



Traditions

For Christmas, Ben's family started a fun tradition of choosing a different culture to explore each year.

We learn how people from that culture celebrate the holiday, the kinds of food they make, and the music they listen to. Everyone contributes by bringing a dish or helping cook a meal inspired by that culture. In the past, we've explored Italian, Ethiopian, and Swedish traditions—making each holiday unique and full of learning, laughter, and delicious food!



Holiday light show with Ben's parents



Kait on a girls trip with her aunts



Ben with Kait's cousin's daughter



Kait and Ben babysitting a friend's son



Kait making jack-o'-lanterns with cousins

Our thoughts on Parenting

1

We hope to inspire our child to explore and learn about the world, other people, and themselves.

2

We want to create an environment for our child that teaches compassion for others, curiosity about the world, and joy in the little things.

3

We hope to instill in our child the importance of respect for nature, love for family and community, and gratitude of life's simple joys.

We love seeing The Colorado Avalanche hockey team play whenever we get the chance!



Kait camping with cousins



Ben at the zoo with cousins

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We also want to respect and honor the history of where this child comes from and their own unique personality and interests, helping to support them with

*openness
and curiosity.*



One last **Thank You**

Thank you for taking the time to learn more about us and our family. It is important to us that you know this child would be loved by us and our support system unconditionally. We plan to be open and honest about their adoption story and your love for them.

Enjoying a beautiful day together



We know that this journey takes strength and courage on your part,

*so we hope
this has shown
just how much
we care.*

A photograph of a smiling couple kneeling in a grassy park with two dogs. The woman is on the left, wearing a light blue denim jacket over a yellow patterned top and glasses. The man is on the right, wearing a dark blue hoodie and glasses. A black dog is on the left, and a black and white speckled dog is in the foreground. The background shows trees and a house. The image is framed by a dark green border with orange and white decorative elements.

*We are so excited
to become parents*

and can't wait to share the
endless love, support, and
joy we hold in our hearts.