HANDS ACROSS THE WATER WAITING FAMILY

hris and liz



Where to start with a letter like this? Thank you for considering us as your adoptive family. We hope you will be able to find peace and contentment in such a difficult decision. We admire your courage and respect you for making such an important decision for this baby. We have had our own difficult path to building a family and there's nothing more important to us than adding a child to our home.

Chris is a high school Athletic Director and Football Coach. He has worked in high school athletics, coaching multiple sports, and working with hundreds of kids from all kinds of backgrounds for 25 years. He is proud of that time and feels it has given him a lot of experience and taught him how he wants to be as a parent. He is a big fan of encouraging kids to experience the world, and of getting them involved in all kinds of activities...sports, music, art. Chris can't wait to be a part of his own child's life in the same way. He is one of those guys that can't wait for the helping with algebra, coaching the soccer team, and being the Dad in the back of the recital with the video camera.

Liz is a Special Education Teacher and works with high school aged students with cognitive impairments. She works with kids who need extra patience, care, and attention every day and she has an extraordinary ability to give them what they need. She's loving and patient, and already has the parenting skills all set. She is the best thing about us. We go to concerts and carnivals, vacations and family outings because of her. Liz is the one who makes our life go...al ways pushing us to do all the best things.

We've been married for four years and were together for three years before that. Our family is always around...Chris's family is close by. Liz's family is out of state, but we visit them many times a year - or they visit here. Together we have many nieces and nephews, so there are a lot of days with a packed house for barbecues, birthday parties, or Thanksgiving dinners. We live in a great community and have a big backyard. Any talk of our home isn't complete without the puppies. We have three dogs, all adorable and with huge personalities.

Thank you for considering us. We're looking forward to the chance to meet you!

About Liz **About Chris**

Age: 43

Favorite Food: Rice Krispie Treats Favorite Book: Atlas Shrugged

Favorite Movies: Field of Dreams, Pitch Perfect 2

Hobbies: Golf, Playing Cards, Coaching

Favorite Song: Livin On a Prayer, Roni and most Rascal Flatts

Holiday Tradition: Waking up at 5 am to open Christmas

presents and visiting my grandparents Favorite Sport: Football and basketball

Favorite Sports Teams: Michigan Football, all Detroit teams

and all of the teams I have coached!

Favorite Food: Sushi

Favorite Movies: Pretty Woman and Beaches

Hobbies: Painting, running, gardening and collecting giraffes!

Favorite Song: Into the Mystic

Favorite Band: Van Morrison, Chris Stapleton, Classic Rock and

Age: 37

Holiday Tradition: Cutting down our Christmas tree

Favorite Team: Washington Redskins

Favorite Vacation Spot: Outer Banks, North Carolina

Favorite TV Shows: Fixer Upper. HGTV and the Food Network