

# Jim, Kim and Donald

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Dear Birthparents,



Thank you for taking the time to get to know a little about us. We can't begin to imagine the emotions you are going through in making this decision. We realize how difficult this situation must be for you, and we deeply admire your courage in considering adoption. We assure you that if we are privileged to be chosen by you, the child you entrust to us will be raised to understand that you chose adoption because of your love for him or her.

After months of infertility issues we learned that biological children would not be possible. This was very painful for us. Still, we dreamt of having a family and came to realize that adoption was the answer to our prayers. The happiest day of our lives (so far) was the day we adopted our son, Donald, four years ago. We are forever grateful to Donald's birth family. We love being parents and we are praying for the miracle of adoption again to make our family complete. We hope that we are the family you are seeking. Without a doubt, your decision to make an adoption plan is an act of courage and unconditional love. We know it does not come without much reflection. If we are blessed to be chosen by you, we will make sure that the child you entrust to us will always know his or her heritage, and that his or her adoption was a gift of great love. If you'd like, we will stay in touch with you by sharing photographs, letters, and the stories of milestones and accomplishments. That is what we have done in our first adoption. Our son, Donald, will always know about the love his birthparents have for him.



## About Us

We met nine years ago at a church function. Our relationship was natural and comfortable from the start. The more time we spent together, the more deeply we came to love each other and knew we were meant to be together. We have now been happily married for eight years. Our marriage is based on our Christian faith, mutual respect, shared values and a strong sense of family. During our years together, we have been through a lot of life experiences, both happy and sad. By working through these experiences as a team, we made



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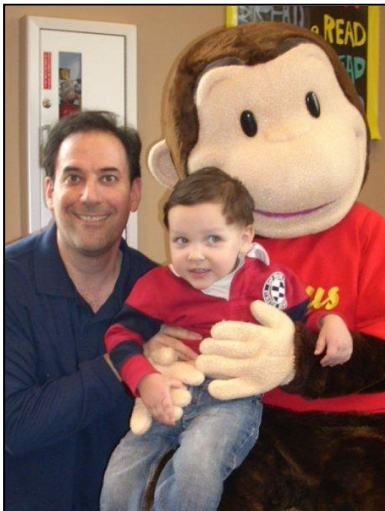
## About Kim (by Jim)

My life is more complete since I was fortunate enough to meet and then marry Kim. She is a great wife and a wonderful mother. The most important thing to know about Kim is that she is a giving person. Whether she is helping my Mom with shopping or errands, volunteering for church sponsored events, or helping her parents and sister organize family gatherings, Kim gives of herself. I believe that her capacity for selflessness has made Kim an outstanding mother. She puts her heart and soul into caring for Donald. You can see this in the way she makes sure Donald eats well, teaches him new words, reads to him, and makes sure he spends plenty of time interacting with other children.



Kim is very close to her parents. She loves to stay active, and very much enjoys cooking, decorating and singing. She has a degree in education, and was an elementary school teacher, but has also taught every other grade level, from kindergarten through high school. Although she loved teaching, and may return once Donald and a future child grow older, right now, she enjoys being a stay-at-home-mom. I believe a child could not be in better hands than to have her as an adoptive mother.

## About Jim (by Kim)



Jim is the love of my life and the best daddy a child could ask for. He has a keen sense of what is important in life. From the beginning, I was struck by Jim's devotion to his family. He is very close to them, and now takes good care of Donald and me. He has a degree in political science and a law degree, and is currently a lawyer in private practice. People who know him describe him as funny, down to earth, and good-hearted. More than anything, he is excited about the prospect of becoming a dad again. I love to watch him with Donald. You can see how much he enjoys being a father by the way he wrestles with him, plays ball outside, or reads to him before bed. In turn, you can see how much Donald loves his Daddy by the way he lights up when Jim walks through the door.

Jim also strives to live out his faith every day. I admire him for

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his generosity and his genuine concern for others who are less fortunate. He is constantly volunteering his legal services to friends and family who call for help. I could not ask for a better husband, and a baby could not ask for a more loving, involved father.

## About Donald (by Kim and Jim)



Donald is a happy, active little boy. We never imagined that we could love another human being this much. He constantly makes us laugh and smile. He is 100% BOY and enjoys playing with trains, trucks, helicopters, and airplanes. He loves when we read to him as well. Donald is very outgoing. He loves to play with other children and keeps asking when he will have a little brother or sister. Our love for him is contagious, and we believe it is meant to be spread to another child. We already know Donald will make a wonderful big brother by the way he interacts with his baby cousins, Matt, Charlotte and Nolan.

## Family, Neighborhood, Friends

We both come from very close-knit families. Kim's parents have been married for 43 years. Jim's parents were married for 53 years before Jim's father passed away. They are living examples to us of love, home and community. Kim is the older of two children, and is very close to her sister, who was recently married. Jim is the youngest of three children, with



an older sister and brother. Kim's parents are only

fifteen minutes away, and Kim's sister lives and works nearby. Jim's mother, sister, brother, aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews also live in the area. Our families are very supportive of us, and they are also good friends with each other. As with Donald, this child will be surrounded by extended family who already loves him or her.



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We live in a four bedroom house in a suburban neighborhood. Donald has his own bedroom upstairs near ours, and a playroom downstairs full of toys. We already have a nursery room set up next to Donald's room. Our neighborhood has lots of small children. There are nearby bike paths, parks and open spaces in which to play. The schools in our community are excellent, and there is a wide variety of organized sports teams for kids to participate in. Our church is filled with adoptive families, so our children will be able to grow up among lots of other

adopted children. Both of us also have several lifelong friends who have children, and we are fortunate enough to see them on a regular basis.

## Our Promise to You

Thank you again for allowing us to share ourselves with you. We hope and pray that we will be blessed with another child. We are very excited for that day, as we have so much love to offer and can't wait to add to our family.

We promise that we will give a baby unconditional love, two warm extended families and all the opportunities life has to offer. Our hearts are ready to love, teach and raise another child, and Donald would love to have a brother or sister. We are both very close to our siblings, and want Donald to have a sibling to go through life with, to celebrate life's victories as well as share life's tough lessons. Should you decide to bless us with a child, you can rest easy knowing he or she has the unconditional love of not only a mother and a father, but of a brother as well.



We believe that every child is a gift from God. If we are fortunate enough to be chosen by you, rest assured that the child you entrust to us will grow up knowing how much you love him or her and the great sacrifices you have made out of that love. We pray for the opportunity to love and raise another child. Your adoption plan may be the answer to our prayers.