

**Andrew
&
Katie**

Dear Expectant Parent(s),

We are humbled by your selflessness and love for your child. We cannot fathom how difficult it must be for you to make this decision. We hope you find comfort in knowing that you have chosen to give life to a precious child that will bring joy to many, whether you pick us or another family, or decide to parent the child in the end.

If you choose us for your child we promise that we will do our best to raise them in the Christian faith, love and teach them, and make sure that they understand the loving and selfless decision that you are making. We would like to keep in contact with you so that they can get to know you as they grow up and you can get to know your child.

Thank you for taking the time to learn about us and for considering us as parents for your child.

Andrew & Katie

About Us

We are a fun & loving couple who tries to put Christ first in our lives. We met in February of 2013, married in January of 2014, then bought a house and moved to the Green Bay area in spring of 2015. We live about 30 miles north of Green Bay on just under 13 acres. We enjoy doing things outdoors, spending time together, and hanging out with our families and friends.

We are both Bible-believing Christians. We are by no means perfect, but we try our best to follow what the Bible teaches, and plan to pass these beliefs on to our children. We regularly attend Riverview Alliance Church in Oconto Falls, Wisconsin, where Katie volunteers with the Youth Group.

Katie currently works full time, with 2 days per week that she has to go into Green Bay, and the rest of the time she gets to work at home. She has a plan in place to switch to only working part time, fully from home when we have a child so that she can be a stay-at-home mom.

We plan on homeschooling our kids. Andrew was homeschooled growing up and very much enjoyed the experience. He felt challenged by his mother and liked the flexibility that it gave their family to do activities together. We plan to get involved in a homeschool co-op nearby, visit the library story hours, spend time with friends who have children, and be involved with kids' programs at our church to make sure that our children have plenty of friends despite not attending a public school.

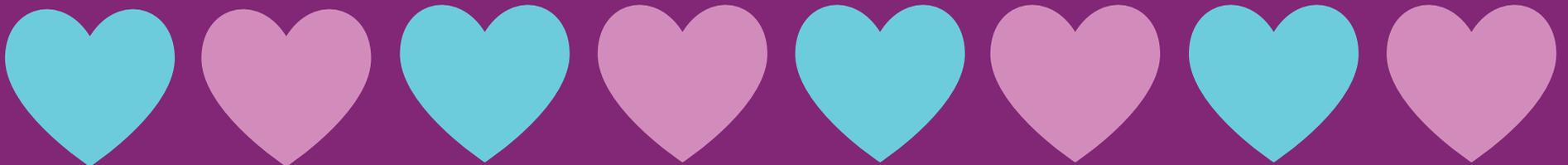




Why We Want to Adopt

We feel that God has laid it on our hearts to adopt. Katie had wanted to for some years. She brought it up to Andrew when dating and he was completely on board. Neither of us currently have a strong desire to have biological children and feel that adoption is the way that God has for us to go. We also know that we will be able to unconditionally love a child who is not biologically ours just as we would one that is. We plan to be open and honest with our child about their adoption. We pray regularly for God to help us to be great parents and hope to have a positive relationship with our child's birth parents. We do plan to adopt more children in the future so that our child will have at least one sibling. We are trusting God to lead us and are excited to see what is to come!

Our families and friends are very excited about us adopting as well. Your child will have many people who will love them and be active in their life.



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Age: 32

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Education: Bachelor's Degree in Economics

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Occupation: Trust Operations Specialist

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Hobbies: Cycling, hunting, managing the trees on the land and doing other things outside, playing guitar and singing, spending time with family and friends.

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Favorite Music: Classic Country and Bluegrass

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Andrew is a great husband. He is dedicated, hard-working, kind & loving. He enjoys spending time outdoors, whether it be training for a bike race, riding bikes for fun with me, working on projects around the yard/house, or hanging out with family and friends. He enjoys learning and has a lot of wisdom, particularly in matters of Christianity and history. He spends time reading the Bible and praying daily. He is very much looking forward to being a dad, and I think he will make a great one!

Katie



Andrew playing Rockband with Katie's parents and sister



Andrew right before a bike race



Hiking with Andrew's parents



Andrew and his Dad after a race that they did together



Christmas 2017 at Andrew's parents



Riding on the trail behind our house

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Age: 33

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Education: Bachelor's Degree in Multimedia Design

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Occupation: Digital Design Specialist

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Hobbies: Music (playing guitar, etc.), swimming, hiking, biking, reading, playing games, crafts, gardening, and doing all of the above and more with family and friends.

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Favorite Music: Christian Rock



Katie is a wonderful spouse who is very helpful to me. She is a kind person who is always trying to help others. She loves spending time with her family and friends. She is always coming up with new things she wants to do with them or for them. Katie is rock-solid in her faith in God and regularly spends time reading her Bible. She enjoys gardening and is often outside hanging out with Rose. She takes care of many of the things around our home and is always preparing for our future child.

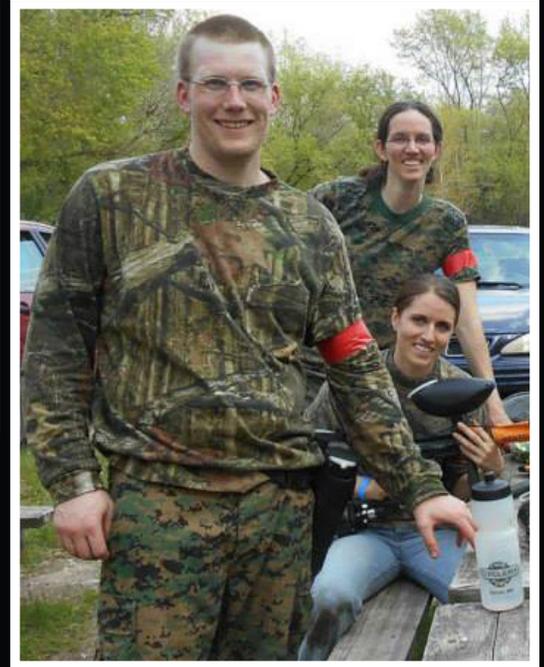
Andrew



At "Lifest" with family. Lifest is a Christian music festival in Oshkosh, WI each summer. Katie really enjoys this festival and hopes to take our kids someday!



Us as Lego people, haha. (Thanks to our nephew for sharing his legos!)



Playing paintball: Andrew, Katie, Katie's sister.



Katie and her sister with Larry and Bob from Veggie Tales



Katie and her sister at their first Packer game!

Rose Tyler

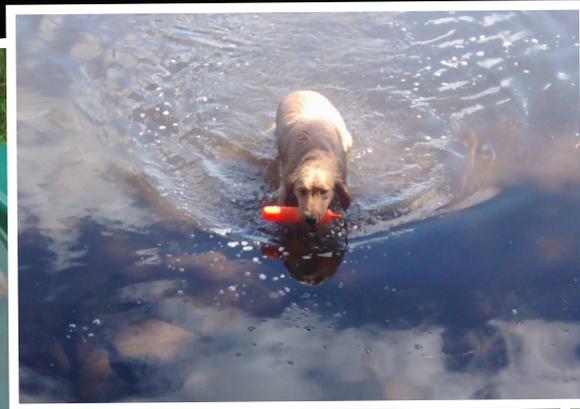
We adopted Rose in September of 2015 when she was 8 weeks old. She has been a great addition to our family. She loves all people, especially ones that are her size. She is very well behaved and likes to please people. She will really enjoy having children around on a regular basis, even more so once they get to be old enough to play with her!



Rose and her 'pillow'. Katie made this for her when she was a tiny puppy and she could sleep on it. Now she likes to carry it around like a kid carries a security blanket or stuffed animal.



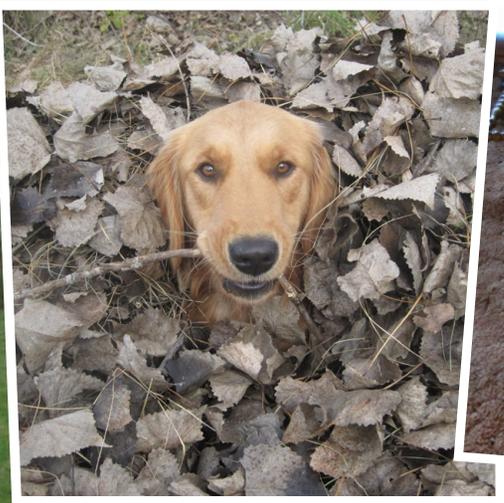
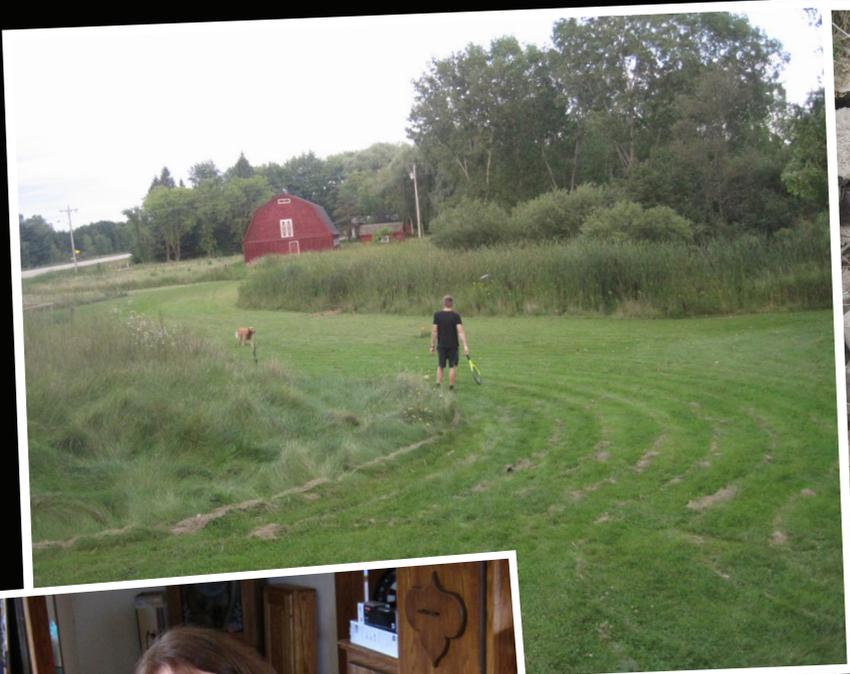
Rose is such a tiny little lap dog. ;-)



Playing fetch in the lake near Andrew's parents' house.



Rose in her 2-room, insulated dog house that Andrew built.



Rose napping with Andrew's parents' and brother's dogs.

Rose enjoys playing fetch on our almost 13 acres, and going for walks on the trail near our house. We plan to spend time participating in outdoor activities such as walks, swimming, biking, etc., with our children as well.



Katie's Mom and sister with Rose.



One of our nephews playing with Rose as she naps. He put the blanket over her. Haha.

Andrew's family

Andrew's parents live in northern Minnesota, about 30 miles south of Duluth. His older brother lives in western Minnesota, is happily married and has two boys. We see Andrew's family about 6 times per year, including a 10 day stay with his parents each fall. Despite the distance, we are a close family and communicate often via phone calls, email, and facebook.



Andrew's family has a tradition of pheasant and grouse hunting each year. Often times Andrew's brother's wife's family joins for part.



Christmas 2015 at Bentleyville "Tour of Lights" in Duluth, Minnesota.



Camping with Andrew's parents in northern Wisconsin.



Andrew's Dad's 'Tree Stand' for deer hunting. It has a little wood burning stove for warmth and water kettle for hot chocolate! One of our nephews (4yo) likes to go 'help' Grandpa hunt out there. Surprisingly, no hunting actually gets done while he is there.



Andrew and his nephew playing pirates.



At our nephew's pirate-themed 3rd birthday party. (He went through a pirate phase after seeing the 'Veggie Tales: The Pirates Who Don't Do Anything' movie.)



Andrew's Dad and our nephew reading.



Our nephew being shown how to play a fishing game that Andrew's parents made him for Christmas. Andrew's parents are both very handy in the workshop, and his mom is great at sewing.

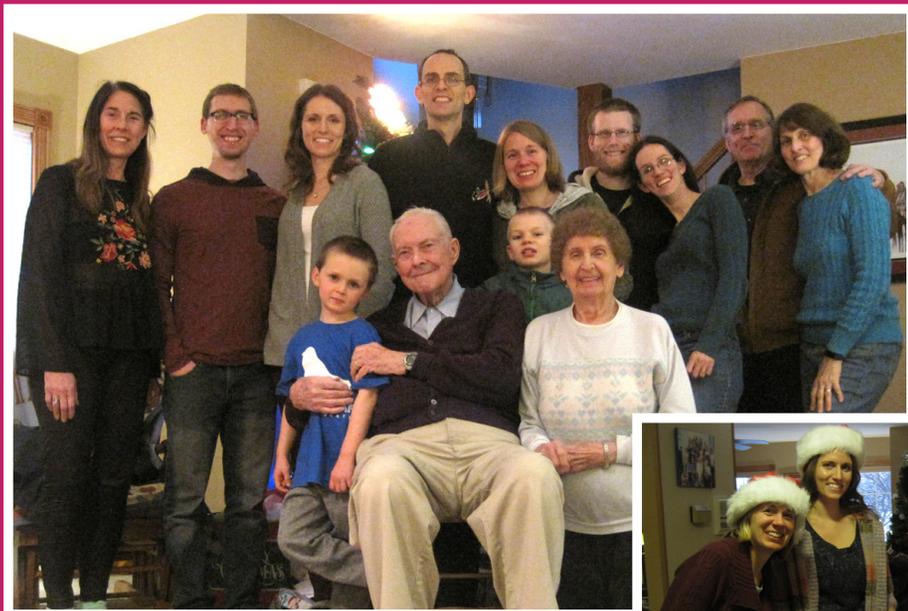
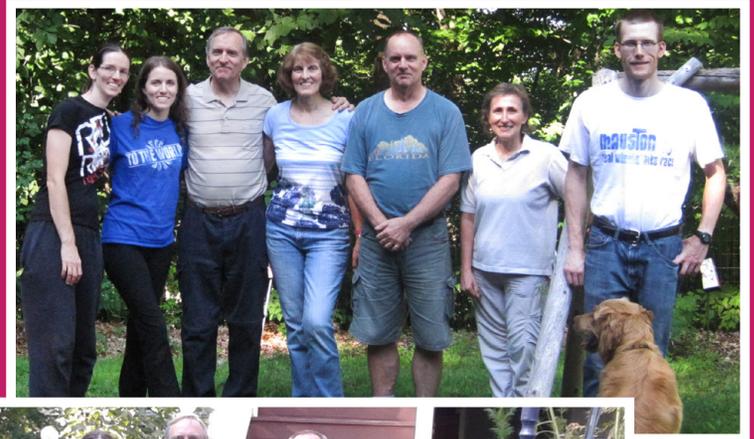


Andrew and our nephew having a sword fight as Andrew's dad and our younger nephew watch.

Katie's family

Katie's parents live about 40 miles NW of Milwaukee. Her younger sister lives near them and her older brother and his family live in the U.P. of Michigan. Her brother is happily married and has two boys. We see Katie's parents and sister every few weeks, and see her brother and his family a few times per year. Despite distance, we are a close family and communicate often via text, phone calls, email, and facebook.

Katie's Dad's side. Katie's Dad grew up in New York State, so we drive there to visit relatives every 2-3 years. Other years they drive out to Wisconsin or we meet up in the middle.



Christmas 2017



Singing some Christmas tunes with family.



Thanksgiving 2016 with Katie's Mom's side of the family.



Playing Quidditch



Our nephew and Katie's Dad doing a project kit.



Making lye soap



Left: Going for a hike near Katie's brother's house.



Right: At a roller skating rink.



Andrew teaching our nephew how to play Minecraft



Andrew and nephew playing legos.



Dying Easter Eggs



Friends

We are very blessed with many awesome, supportive friends in our lives. Some we met when we were growing up and remain friends with; some we only met fairly recently when we moved to the Green Bay area. Some live near, some not so near, but all hold a special place in our hearts and are looking forward to being in the lives of our future children.



Above: Friends Katie originally knew from college at UW-Stout. They live near us now, so we get to see them on a regular basis.



High School Friends



College Friends





A friend of Katie's from church when growing up (now Andrew's friend, too), and one of Andrew's Marine buddies.



Friends of Andrew's family (from church). Andrew's parents get together with these friends weekly to watch 'American Ninja Warrior'. This inspired Andrew's Dad to build a 'ninja course' in their backyard. We usually get together with them when we visit Andrew's parents.



Above & Right: Friends from the church that Katie went to while she was living in La Crosse, WI.



Andrew doing the salmon ladder.





Thank you for taking the
time to learn about us.
We hope to hear from you!

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