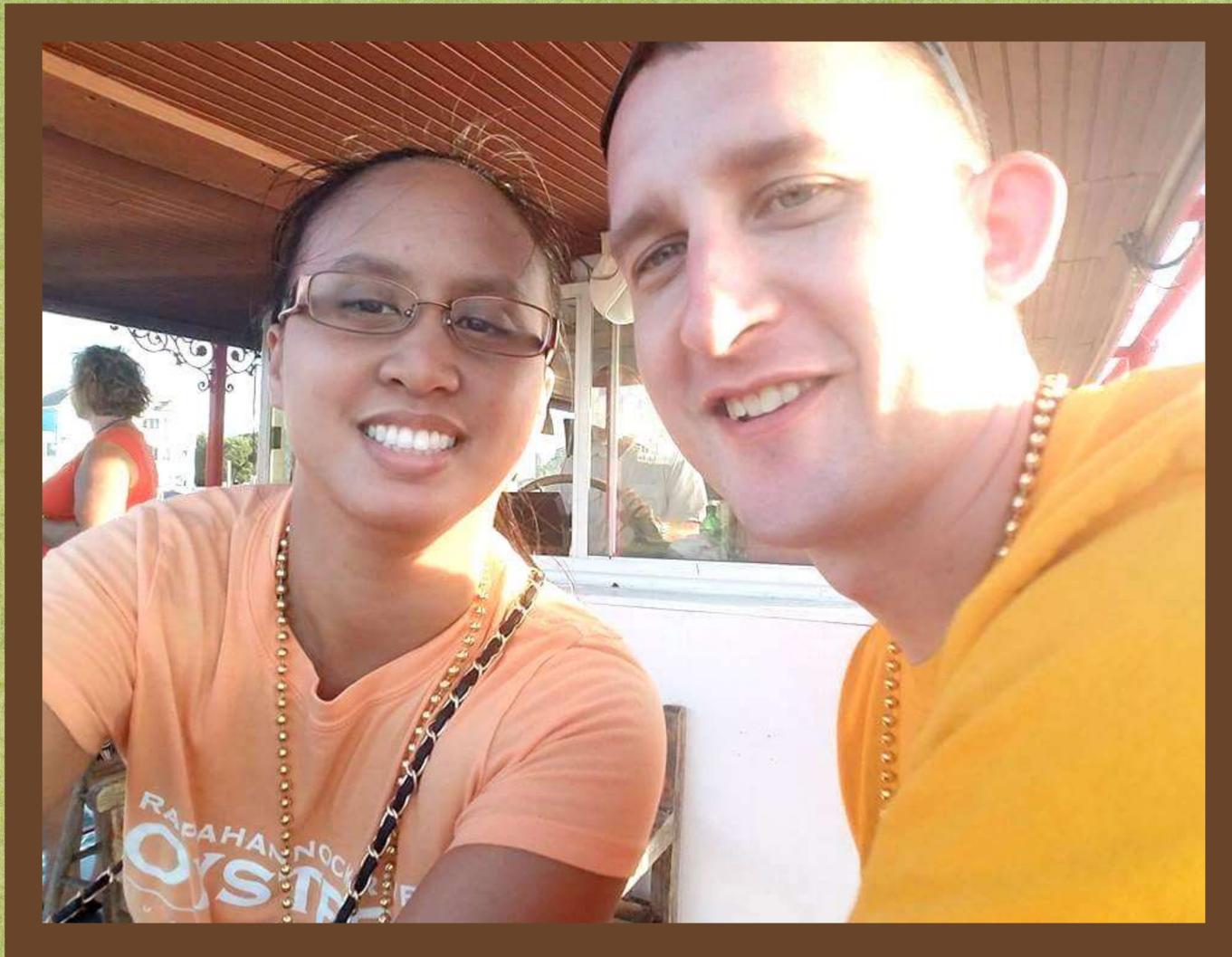




**Carmela & Sean**

**Hello! We are Carmela & Sean. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to introduce ourselves. We understand that life is full of choices and we are forever grateful for the choice you have made: to create an adoption plan for your baby.**



**For us, the biggest thing about adoption is not only to become parents, but to be parents who the birthmother can be proud to call part of her family. No matter how open of an adoption you desire, please know that we have every intention of considering the birth mother as an extension of our family.**

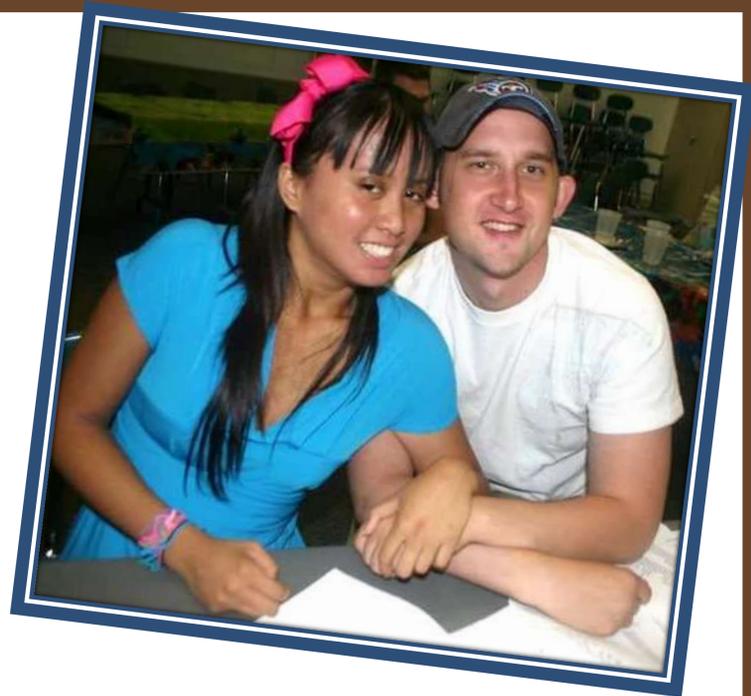


**We hope this profile book shows you the kind of people we and the kind of parents we hope to become. We will provide a loving and stable home and give our children the opportunity to grow into great people who will benefit society.**

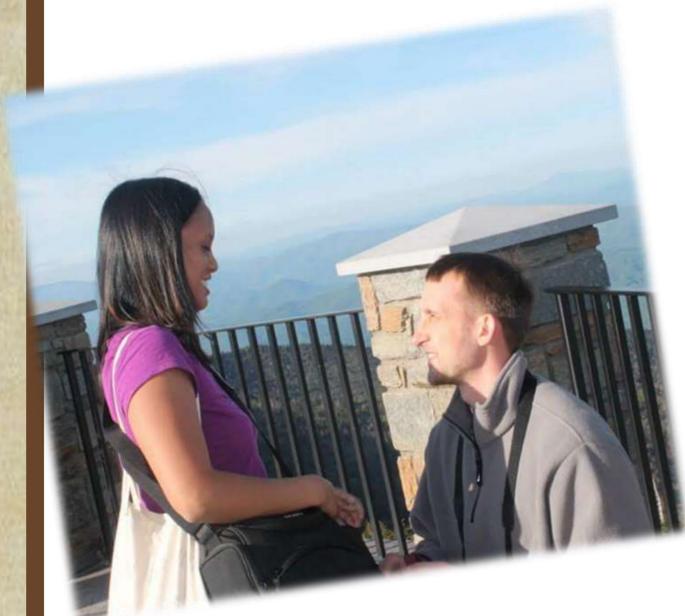
# OUR STORY

by Carmela

Growing up, I spent a good portion of my high school and college years involved in my church's youth group. I met Sean at one of the meetings with the youth group. One of the girls, who also volunteered, invited Sean to our youth group meeting one day. He had just moved to North Carolina for his first job after graduating college and wanted to get involved in his church's youth group.



**In the beginning, we were just acquaintances. I didn't know much about Sean except that he was a college graduate. One day, I discovered that Sean lived close to me, so I suggested that we carpool together to our youth group's retreat. From that point on, we started carpooling with each other to church. We started spending more time with each other and what started out as a great friendship grew into more.**



In May of 2013, Sean convinced a teacher friend of ours to ask me about Mount Mitchell, a beautiful state park in North Carolina. Our friend asked me what I thought about it as a possible field trip for her students. I had never been there, so I suggested we take a day trip there before making the decision. When we got to the top of Mount Mitchell, Sean proposed to me and our friend was there to take pictures of this special day. We got married a year later in the church where we originally met, surrounded by family and friends.

## WHY WE HAVE CHOSEN ADOPTION

Shortly after our honeymoon, we tried to begin to expand our family. After a year of trying, we discovered that we could not biologically have children. We decided that adoption, which was always something we had considered for our family, was our next step to building our family. We want you to know that we are very excited that our dream of having a family can finally come true through adoption.



# THINGS WE LOVE TO DO TOGETHER

Spending time with family -- Travel  
Playing & watching sports -- Exercising  
Spending time at home -- Walking our dog  
Participating in church & community events  
Enjoy/Trying new and different recipes



## **MEET MY WIFE, CARMELA** *by Sean*



**Occupation:** Medical Technician

**Education:** Bachelor's in Biology

**Siblings:** 2 sisters

**Hobbies:** Cross-stitching,  
playing the piano,  
crocheting, & exercising

**Interests:** Science, music,  
& the Latin language



### **WHAT I LOVE ABOUT HER...**

She is loving, caring, creative, & organized.

## **MEET MY HUSBAND, SEAN** *by Carmela*



**Occupation:** Logistics Analyst

**Education:** Bachelor's in Business  
Administration

**Siblings:** 2 brothers

**Hobbies:** Sports, exercising,  
learning new things,  
& travelling

**Interests:** News, History, & sports



### **WHAT I LOVE ABOUT HIM...**

He is smart, logical, loving, and loyal

# MEET EMMA

Emma is our family dog. She is a fawn Doberman Pinscher. She loves children and playing with them. Emma is a sweet and loving dog who loves treats, cuddles, kisses, toys, and blankets.



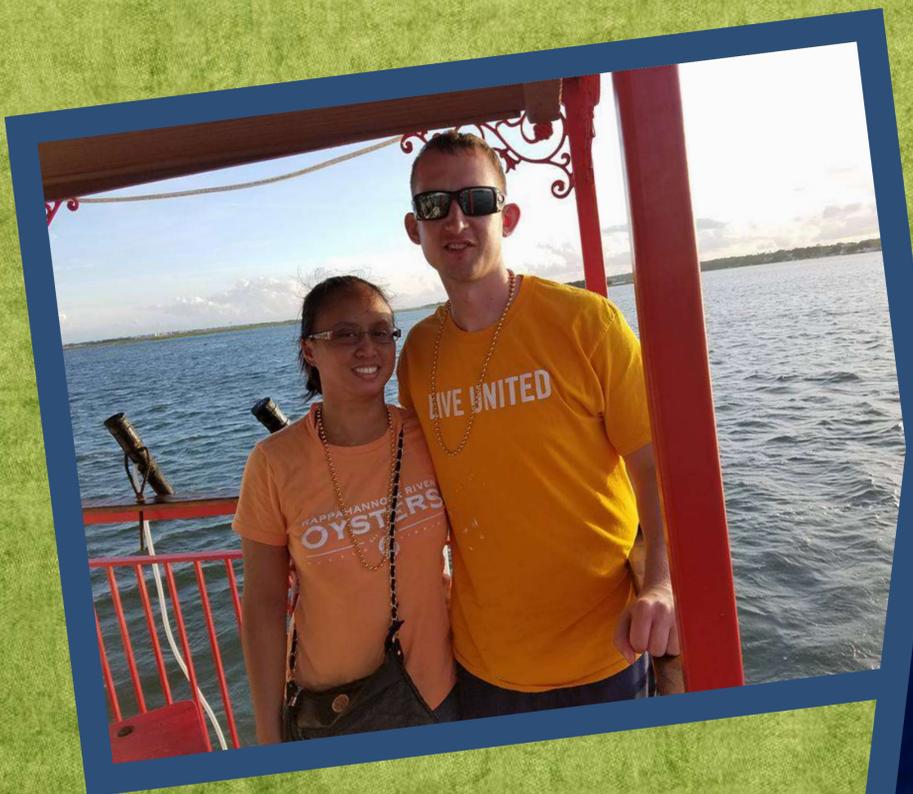
# OUR FAMILIES

Our families are very excited that we are expanding our family through adoption.



# OUR HOME & NEIGHBORHOOD

We live in North Carolina and we absolutely love where we live. Our home is convenient to the places we need for our daily lives. Our neighborhood is small, welcoming, and active with children. North Carolina has many interesting and fun places to explore, from visiting the beach or the mountains to big cities. Our community has many events to offer to families, children, and pets! The area we live in offers many versatile opportunities for growth of a child.





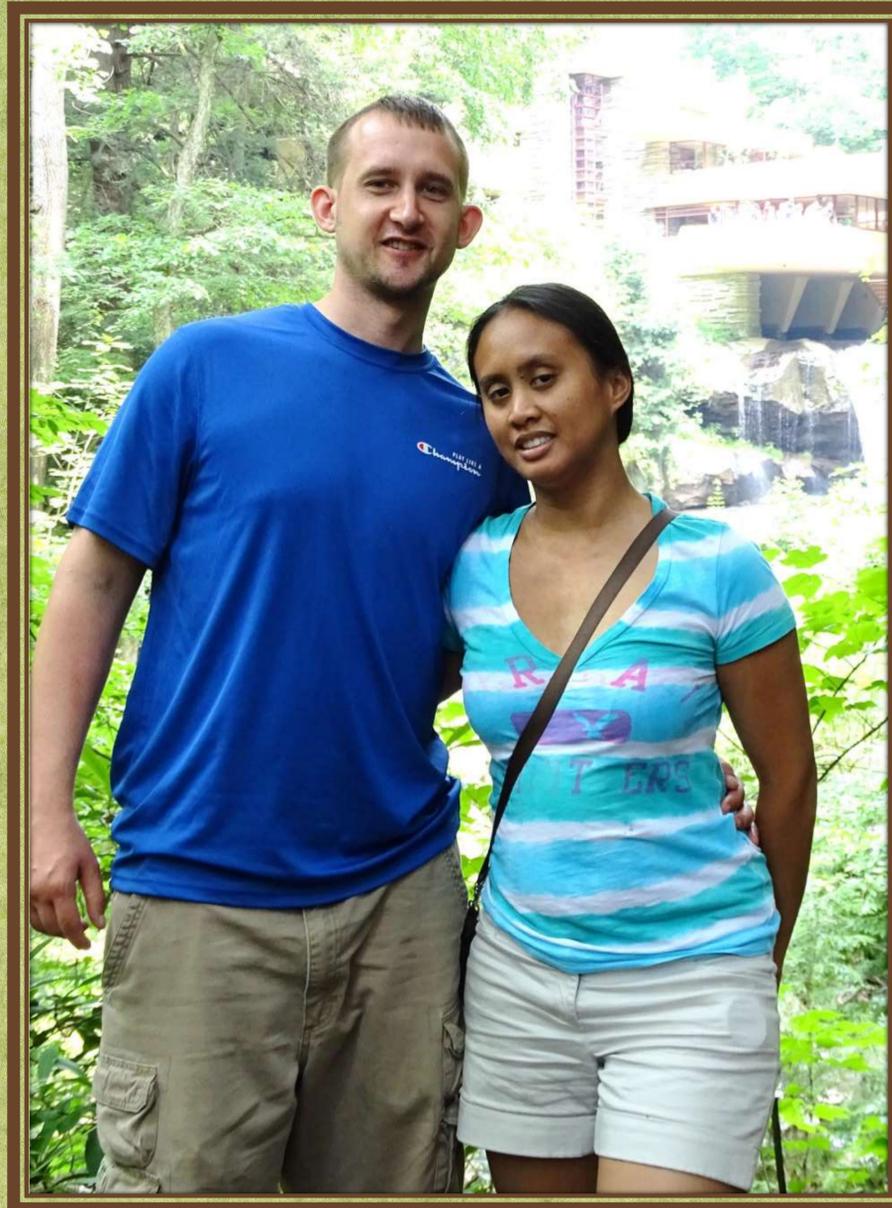
## PHILOSOPHY ON PARENTING

One of the most important things we want our children to know is that they are unconditionally loved. We want to challenge our children to be the best versions of themselves, while always striving to be better people than they were yesterday and treat people with respect as they would want to be treated. We also want our children to not fear making mistakes.

Life is all about making choices, and as our children grow, we intend to give them more opportunity to make their own choices in life before they become adults. As Ms. Frizzle from *The Magic School Bus* says, “Take chances, make mistakes, and get messy!”

As parents, we want to give our children every opportunity to explore all activities that they find interest in. We also want them to be successful in all aspects of their lives, from education to being involved in their community.

**THANK YOU - THANK YOU - THANK YOU**



**We want to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for taking the time to peer into our lives. We hope that this has helped you to learn about the kind of people we are and the kind of parents we wish to become for your child. If you feel that we are the right people for your baby, then we look forward to meeting you soon and thank you for choosing us.**



# **Carmela & Sean**

