HEY THERE!
We're Kreston and Madi.
Thank you so much for taking the time to read a little about us! We can only imagine the challenges you are facing as you make this decision, and we admire your choice to consider adoption and to consider our family. We pray for you to have the support, love, and care you need now and going forward. We promise to respect your adoption plan, and we promise to create a safe, loving, and joyful home for your child where he or she will have the ability to explore, learn, grow, and be cherished. We want your child to know they are wonderfully made with purpose, to remind them of their roots, and how they carry the same courage in them that you carry as you navigate this process. We can hardly express the words of gratitude for your time and your decision! We are wishing you all the best and peace with the choice you make.

- Kreston + Madi
Our Hearts for Adoption:

We each knew before we met we wanted to adopt. From the beginning, as we began talking about our future together, it has always included adoption as the way to grow our family. We prayed for many years about timing, and God showed us His desire to connect, love, and support children in the world along with their families. For Madi, it was living so close to a children’s home and experiencing life with children who were adopted. For Kreston, ever since he went to China with his parents to bring his little sister home, it has been something that was on his heart and mind.
THE STORY OF OUR LOVE:

We met in college before classes even began while helping a mutual friend on a hot, sweaty day in central Arkansas. Our friends noticed a connection and made sure we continued running into each other over the following weeks. After a 4 hour coffee outing (that Madi denied was a date), leaving things in Madi’s car, and months of getting to know each other as friends, we realized there was so much more to our relationship. One day, we went on a run in the woods near campus, and as we chatted on the way back, I told Madi I wanted to move West after school and wanted to know if Madi would be open to this as well. We confessed our not-so-hidden feelings, and chose to give dating a try.
Our wedding day was in the fall at the church I grew up in. It was close family and friends attending, quaint and colorful. The guests threw birdseed when we departed, and Kreston spent about 2 hours picking birdseed and bobby pins out of my hair at the hotel. The honeymoon was a complete surprise, all I knew was to pack very warm clothes. We flew to Aspen the next day for a cozy, snowy getaway where we enjoyed art museums, late night walks in the snow, and getting familiar with all the best local spots to eat.

HAPPILY EVER AFTER: 
Our love has grown deeply out of friendship, and after 8 adventure-filled years our love continues to grow everyday!
Most of all, I admire Madi’s big heart for people and all living things. I occasionally may not enjoy moving a plant that was draining its water out of my shower in the morning, but I unconditionally love the fact that her big heart will challenge me. I love that she is a dreamer that will enjoy abstract artfulness with me and will challenge my views always, even if she agrees with me. I love that she keeps me from getting too serious and will never shy away from a moment to be goofy and make people laugh. I love her internal will to do right and grow in her understanding of how Jesus would ask her to live.

The way Madi lights up around people and animals is something that I admire, yet there is a special energy when she is around children. She is fearless of the yuck factor and compassionate to a fault. Her capacity for empathy is something that continues to call me to balance. This shows as she seamlessly tunes into the needs of the little tykes.
My title at work is a Franchise Support Specialist Manager. I have an amazing opportunity to work with my team internally as a manager to grow them in their career goals while supporting franchise owners externally across the east coast to achieve their business goals. The company I work for is a family-friendly Christian company. When we have company or team outings, it is encouraged to bring family along to join in the fun! I will have 12 weeks for maternity leave, and my team is so excited and supportive of the adoption journey we are on! I am undecided on whether I will or will not continue to work once the baby arrives, but we are blessed to have family nearby who will be available to watch the baby if I choose to continue working. I will also have the potential to work from home a few days weekly.

For Fun:

If it’s outside and adventurous, count me in! I love everything from hiking and kayaking to camping and biking. Hiking is my favorite, and I go hiking weekly with one of my best friends. I also love spending time with my friends. We get together every week to share life and catch up. When resting or gardening, I will usually listen to an audio book or music. I love volunteering on the worship team at church as well. It’s such a beautiful thing to see people come together to make a joyful noise before the Lord in worship, and I’m so fortunate to sing, write music, and learn with an incredible church community.
According to his wife:

I don’t think I could make a list long enough to describe all the reasons I love Kreston. Where do I begin? How much he spoils me with kindness? How he loves and serves, not only me but others? How he chases dreams as fast as I do and keeps me laughing constantly? This hardly scratches the surface. Kreston never ceases to amaze me with his talents, generosity, and ability to make everyone feel welcome. And yet, his heart for the Lord stands out above all of this. I have never met someone so determined to seek out answers to tough questions and help people grow. Kreston’s character is unmatched - consistent, caring, honest, and patient.

Kreston will do anything to make a kid smile! Every interaction is filled with kindness. Something he has told me he is looking forward to in being a dad is watching our kids explore the world around them. His patience, character, and kindness are so deeply ingrained that I cannot help but think of how much love he is going to give a child.
My Work:  
I am an IT Director for a company I helped start. I was freelancing as a photographer and contractor for IT when some friends of mine started a company. I jumped at the opportunity to help build something that was good to people and a family company. The company offers 2 weeks of paid paternity leave with an optional 12 weeks total. We put families first. I have had one of our founding partners say that I represent a complete picture of the leadership they want in their company. They seek to have not only people who can do the job, but those that have a heart for the people in their care.

For Fun:  
Jesus is the only thing bigger than music in my life. I love exploring new music, writing worship songs with friends, and just about any experience that involves music. I grew up playing instruments and singing, and I believe music will always be a part of my life. I love the outdoors and learning. I love people and seeing them flourish. I enjoy solving problems for people or learning about ways to do so. Other free time research may be more impactful like counseling books or other personal development topics. In short, interacting with music, someone I care for, or hiding away with a book or some research are a few of my favorite things.
WHAT WE LOVE:

01. THE OUTDOORS
We love to be outside! We take trips regularly to the mountains to camp and spend time together around a fire or relaxing in hammocks.

02. TRAVEL
We enjoy traveling a few times a year, and we have a bucket list of places to explore. Everywhere we go, we will listen and try to guess how many languages we hear around us.

03. TIME TOGETHER
We have weekly dates to catch up and have intentional conversations over a nice meal or cuddled up around a fire pit in the backyard. These nights are special to us and are set aside to re-align in our goals, catch up, and dream together.
MEET OUR PETS:

We have 4 family pets. Ilsa, our husky, was rehomed to us after a co-worker’s family had to move. She loves babies, other dogs, and snuggles! We rescued Vera, our Russian Blue mix, through an online kitten foster. She was a perfect addition to our family not long after our wedding. She loves to be pet and is very inviting towards all people. Bell, our tabby, is reluctant around most, but is incredibly friendly and snuggly when she gets to know someone, including kids. Finally, there is Amos, our shepherd husky mix. Amos was rescued from the streets as a puppy by a foster we knew. When we met him, we knew immediately he was coming home with us. He is timid but also protective of our home, and he loves to play with anyone who will throw a ball for him.
We live in a quaint three bed/two bath single story home. We decided to not spend a fortune on watering grass and installed turf in the backyard. There is a lap pool that is a great reprieve from the heat of summer. We have planted trees on one side that we hope to provide shade for games of tag and citrus for some snacks. We chose this home specifically for the open living room and kitchen area, a perfect setup for hosting events and gatherings with our friends and family.
We live in a suburb of a major city that is 15 minutes away from one of the highest density population centers in the US. There are international students from all over, and we would find three to four continents represented just greeting people in the neighborhood while walking the dogs. The school district we are in is one of the best in the city, but charter schools are starting to take off here which I project will be the dominant factor by the time our children are in grade school. We have a park just up the road from us and hiking trails not far from there. Something we have come to love about this metropolitan area is the access to almost anything you could want. There are many free art galleries we have found and a children’s science museum that we are excited to see a little one explore for the first time. If our future kiddos are more focused on sports, there will be plenty of youth leagues to choose from. We are blessed to have access to mountains and lakes for a day trip and we do so as much as we can. We have recently gotten more and more into watersports and will hope to share what we love with who we love.
MEET OUR FAMILY:
our greatest supporters

Madi’s Side: 

My parents are Chris and Sophia. I have two siblings, my brother Matt and my sister Ashley. Ashley is married to Christopher, and they have two beautiful kiddos that I’m grateful to be an aunt to: Luke, 13, and Olivia, 10.

Kreston’s Side: 

My parents, Deb and David, live across the city and my little sister Taleen started college this year. I have two older brothers that live in Colorado and have spouses and two little kiddos each. My oldest brother Ian has Zara (4) and Xander (2) with Nerissa and Daniel and Erin have Nolan (5) and Jamie (1). My little sister Taleen, was adopted from China and has been my inspiration for adoption since I was 13.

WE STRONGLY HOLD TO THE BELIEF THAT FAMILY RUNS DEEPER THAN BLOOD. OUR EXTENDED FAMILY IS READY TO WELCOME YOUR CHILD WITH OPEN ARMS AND UNCONDITIONAL LOVE.
LIFE TOGETHER:

Our extended family is so much fun! With most of our family primarily out of state, we make the most of our time together. We visit regularly and switch out holidays with each side of the family. Usually we are playing games like fishbowl, charades, Christmas Croquet, or Nerf wars. They could not be more thrilled to welcome an adopted child into all the love and shenanigans! In preparation, they have volunteered to help set up the baby’s room, given us books, and given us sentimental gifts from our childhoods to share with our little one.
Our Values:

Our family values **community** and **connectedness**. We believe it is incredibly important to **do life together**, to grow with people, and hold close relationships with others. It is a huge part of our lives to **make people feel welcome**, to meet them where they are and build them up. We value **ministry** and **serving** others deeply. We love to see God working in the lives of others and to be used by Him in serving to bring others closer to God.
OUR FUTURE:

We have always had open hands for where God guides, and if one day it is away from Arizona then we will follow. For now, where we are is a great hub for all the travel we hope to do, such as to Canada, Europe, or South America. We hope over the next few years to grow our family and adopt two children to join in the adventures and explore with us.
My greatest prayer for my children is they would love and follow the Lord with all their heart, mind, and strength. That they would know they are loved by God and their family. I pray joy and peace would go before and behind them in all circumstances for all their days. I hope they will enjoy life and see beauty in everything around them and know they were created with purpose. I want them to always know they are welcome and wanted just as they are.

- MADI

My greatest prayer for my child is that they would have a deep, confident love and relationship with Jesus. If they can benefit anything from me, I would pray it is a love for Jesus. I am so excited to have another person to share God’s love with when I become a dad.

- Being in my child’s life as they experience things in the world for the first time and cheering on my child as they grow and achieve in life.

- KRESTON
Our Faith: 

It’s incredibly important for our children to experience growing in Christ. We are so blessed to know our church community is there to help grow, shape, and love our children, to help them see the world through the eyes of Christ and live in freedom. We value courage, community, and perseverance deeply, and we have always believed family is what you make it. We want to share this with our children by being involved in serving, missions, and church groups and by always inviting others in. We will teach our children from scripture, which displays the radical love we strive to share with others, a love that persists in hardship and determination that never gives up or gives in. By valuing, sharing, and embracing the different ways God has made His people, we hope to instill in our little ones a healthy worldview and an overflowing cup of grace.

Education: 

We plan to have our children attend a charter school and to supplement their education outside of class. We want our children to have the opportunity to connect, participate in groups, and make friends, all great benefits the school environment provides, while guiding their education and exposure to other parts of the world they may not be ready for at very young ages. Education is a core value we hold, and we understand there are so many amazing ways to continue growing past primary schooling. We will encourage our children to chase their dreams by pursuing the right form of education to attain their goals. To support the expenses, we invest currently in property and savings to set up funding for our children to pursue their dreams.
We are so grateful for you to take the time to read our profile and consider us as parents to your child. Thank you, from the bottom of our hearts, for the thoughtful consideration. We pray you will be blessed in this process, and we hope you are surrounded with peace. We hope to be a blessing to you and your child. This is one of the biggest and toughest decisions to make in choosing someone to raise your baby, and we hold so much respect and honor for you in your choice. We will continue to pray God’s favor over your family as you continue forward in this journey, even if it is with another adoptive family. If we are so fortunate to be matched, we look forward to meeting you and planning with you how, as a team, we will be able to make all of this child’s dreams come true. We are excited to share with this child just how deeply they are loved by God, you, and us! May God bless you and keep you.

- Kreston + Madi
You are so loved.