



Heather + Alan



hello

FROM HEATHER AND ALAN.
THANK YOU FOR TAKING YOUR TIME
TO GET TO KNOW OUR FAMILY.

We met in Scotland in 2018, through mutual friends while Heather was on vacation. Alan, a native of Scotland, was a great tour guide, and we hit it off immediately. Once Heather returned to Northeast Ohio, we kept in close contact, spending hours on FaceTime together making each other laugh and visiting each other whenever we could. We fell in love and planned to get married in 2020, but the COVID pandemic had other plans. We were finally able to marry in 2021 and started our family here in Northeast Ohio... but knew our family was not complete. We have chosen to build our family through adoption and hope that you will consider what role you might choose to play in our lives as you review our profile.



alan

Alan was born in a tiny village in Southwest Scotland and grew up visiting his family's farm and chasing sheep and chickens. He has

a younger brother who he taught to play football (soccer) when they were both young. After high school, Alan worked as a chef to save up money to go to college and got two degrees – in law and accounting – and enjoyed helping others in those careers. When he decided to move here to be with Heather, he decided to pursue a law degree here so he could continue to help others here. He's currently finishing up his law degree and has been studying hard! In his free time, Alan plays tennis with Heather's father, meets his friends for coffee, and is learning how to barbecue. He and Heather have been making time to travel and Alan has been working to scratch states off his 50-state map.

heather

Heather was born in Texas and grew up in New York as an only child in a close-knit family. She learned to

bake from her grandmother and enjoys hosting holiday dinners for friends and family. After high school, Heather received a bachelor's degree in architecture and spend some time in the US Army and working in business. After living and working all around the US, Heather realized that something was missing in her career and decided to pursue a career in healthcare. She received her medical degree and moved to Northeast Ohio to finish her training in psychiatry. Heather enjoyed living here so much that when her training was done, she decided to stay here, and her parents moved here for retirement as well. Heather now works as a psychiatrist helping people in crisis and in her free time spends time with family and friends, knits, bakes, and gardens. She is looking forward to being a mom and teaching her own children all her secret family recipes.



our home together

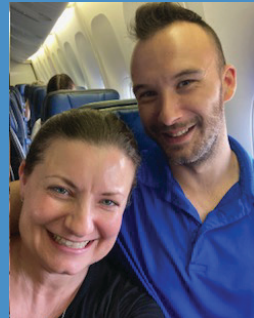
We have a lovely spacious century-old home in a quiet suburb of Cleveland with a backyard patio, a hammock in the shade, and a vegetable garden. The neighbors are friendly, and children often play ball in their front yards. We're an easy walk to two playgrounds (including one just for toddlers), two parks, and two libraries and spend most of the summer outside enjoying the nice weather. There is nothing more important to us than family, and we are so excited to welcome a child into our lives and make our house a family home!



family

We both come from fantastic families who have taught us the value of being kind to others and working hard. We both had very happy childhoods - full of love, laughter, and happy memories. Alan's family is still in the

United Kingdom and we FaceTime and visit as often as we can. We're particularly proud of our nephew, who is two years-old and always offers to share his Cheerios with us over FaceTime. We have weekly dinners with Heather's family, travel together, and go on walks in the MetroParks. We would love to share those memories as well as create our own new memories with our children.



Thank you for taking the time to learn more about us. We are so honored you might consider us as adoptive parents. We're committed to filling our home with love and joy, fun and respect, as we grow together as a family.



WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONNECTING WITH YOU

If you have any questions for us or would like to speak with us about adopting your child, please contact your case worker at Open Arms Adoptions by calling 330-697-4751 or 614-349-1510.