

## HANDS ACROSS THE WATER WAITING FAMILY

# Jessica and Lisa



We have immense gratitude that you are considering us as adoptive parents. We cannot imagine what you are going through right now but hope that you come to your best decision. If we are lucky enough to be part of that decision, there is no way we can ever thank you enough. We can simply promise to honor your choice by providing a loving, supportive, and empowering environment for this child to thrive in and allow you to participate in that in whatever capacity you would like.

Jessica is Chinese and was born and raised in California. She grew up playing soccer, watching the San Francisco Giants play baseball, and travelling the world on family vacations. She has lived all over the country, including New York, Boston, Phoenix, Ohio, and now central Michigan. Lisa is from Ohio and grew up galivanting with her two brothers, being a nerd, and becoming a water sport expert at her family's annual lake vacation. She is a surgeon who works primarily with breast cancer patients. Together, the thing we love to do the most is eat! We keep a running list in our head of the best meatballs we've tried anywhere we go. In the evenings and on weekends, we often find ourselves taking walks as a family with our two dogs, gardening, backpacking through Michigan, or biking. When we vacation, we love to leave the country and explore the world. We are also both incredibly close to our families and visit with them whenever we have the chance. We even still go on these famous lake vacations with Lisa's entire family.

We met and starting dating in medical school and always knew we wanted to children. Adoption has always been an intentional choice, and we have been waiting with open arms and hearts for some time. We welcomed our son into the world in April 2020 and the love we have for him and for being parents only further solidified our desire to adopt. Your child will be the greatest gift we have ever received, and we will cherish that for the rest of our lives.

### About Jess

- **Age:** 37
- **Occupation:** Primary Care Physician
- **Favorite Past Vacation:** our three-month escapade/ honeymoon in Europe
- **Favorite Workout:** CrossFit
- **Favorite Food:** meat
- **Favorite Tree:** Giant Sequoia
- **Favorite National Park:** Yosemite
- **Favorite Book Series:** Harry Potter
- **Music Preference:** Beatles
- **Fun Fact:** I have built a compost in every house I've owned, and now also have a worm compost in the basement for Winter composting! I am also a very dedicated recycler.

### About Lisa

- **Age:** 33
- **Occupation:** Breast Surgical Oncologist
- **Favorite Past Vacation:** Norris Lake Family Vacation, every year
- **Favorite Workout:** Yoga
- **Favorite Food:** it's a tie between pizza and popcorn
- **Favorite Tree:** Japanese Maple
- **Favorite National Park:** Zion
- **Favorite Book Series:** Harry Potter
- **Music Preference:** Country/Folk
- **Fun Fact:** I cook all the food in our house, and I think my food is better than most restaurants! I love to bring people together around the table, and family dinners are a pivotal part of our relationship.