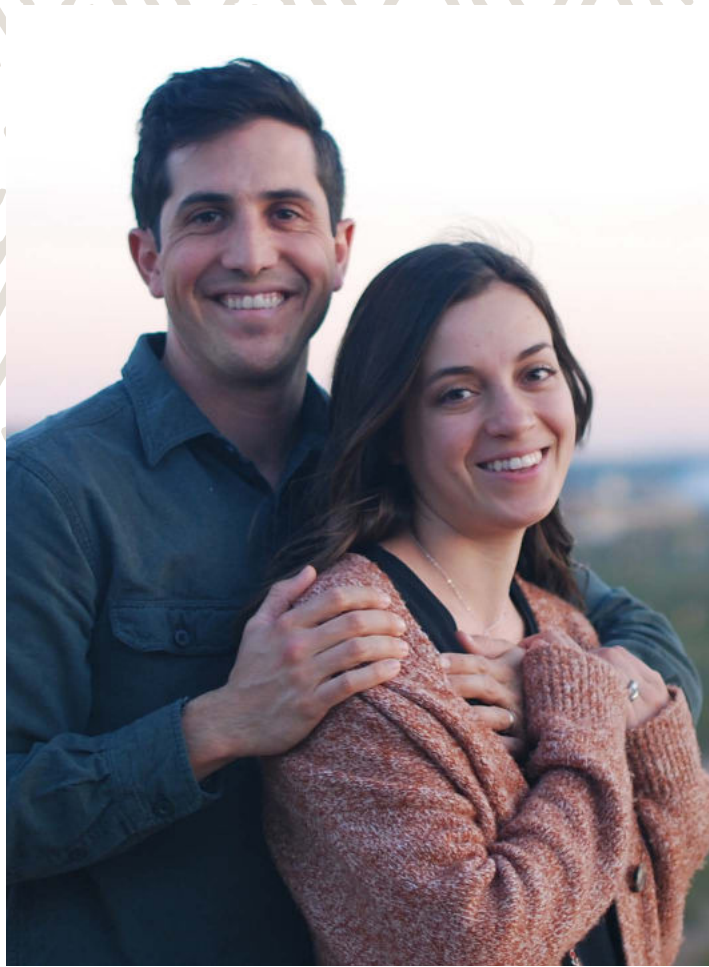


Anthony &
Sarah





HELLO THERE!

Thank you so much for taking the time to view our profile! We hope that it helps you get to know a little bit about us as a family. But before we start that, we want to begin by honoring you. We can't imagine how difficult it must be for you to make sense of the choices before you. We're praying for you, and we hope that you are receiving all the love and support that you need during this time.

We are honored and grateful that you are considering us as adoptive parents. Please know that if you do choose adoption and choose us, that your child will always know how deeply they are loved by you. We promise to love them just as much and to provide a life full of support, opportunity, and joy.



*Anthony
& Sarah*

OUR STORY



Our story began in college, where we met and quickly became good friends based on our shared sense of humor and love for adventure. Our first date was a super cold beach day, which we both pretended didn't bother us because we didn't want the date to end. We discovered that we shared many of our values in common, as we both come from big, tight-knit, Hispanic and Catholic families. By the end of our time in college, it was clear to both of us that we wanted to spend the rest of our lives together.

We've been married for 8 years, and they've been the best years of our lives. Our marriage is held strong by deep love and friendship with each other, our shared faith, and the support of our family and friends. The biggest highlight of those eight years so far has been adopting our daughter, Lucia, in 2022. She fills our home with laughter, joy, and lots and lots of messes and we wouldn't have it any other way. We cannot wait to welcome another child to share this life with us.

“We must know that we have been created for greater things, not just to be a number in the world, not just to go for diplomas and degrees, this work and that work. We have been created in order to love and to be loved.”

- Mother Teresa



MEET SARAH

in Anthony's words

Sarah is such an amazing woman. She has profound depth, but she also has one of the silliest senses of humor I know. I just love hanging out with Sarah. We have so much fun together whether we're making dinner, watching baseball, or trying to teach Lucia to dance.

Sarah is such a generous mom to Lucia. She never gets impatient, despite the ever-changing desires of a toddler. Sarah always puts Lucia's needs before her own. Whether Lucia needs someone to comfort her, encourage her, or help her learn new things, Sarah is always there. Sarah's creativity and playfulness have built a home full of laughter and unconditional love.



MORE ABOUT

Sarah

OCCUPATION: Full time mama

FAVORITE MOVIE: The Lord of the Rings

FAVORITE PLACE: The beach!

CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT: Family and time outdoors!

WHAT ANTHONY SAYS: Sarah makes me laugh all the time, and I just love hanging out with her.

MEET ANTHONY

in Sarah's words

Anthony is my best friend; I can talk to him about anything, and we have so much fun together! I have never met anyone who makes me laugh the way that he does. His joyful spirit turns even the most boring grocery run into an adventure by juggling produce or playing racecars with Lucia in the grocery cart.

One of the things I love most about Anthony is the way he gives 100% to the people he cares about. He's never too busy for a phone call or to hang out with a friend who needs someone to talk to. He gets up extra early to have breakfast and read books with Lucia before work, and the first thing he does when he gets home is get down on the floor to play with her. He is the sweetest and most dedicated father, and Lucia is just head-over-heels in love with her dad.



MORE ABOUT

Anthony

OCCUPATION: Consultant

FAVORITE MOVIE: Good Will Hunting

FAVORITE PLACE: Maui

CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT: Friends, good food, sports!

WHAT SARAH SAYS: Anthony is never too busy for someone who needs help.

MEET LUCIA

Lucia is such a sweet, joyful little girl, and we are grateful every day that her birth mom chose us to be her parents. Lucia loves reading (one of her first words was “book!”) and listening to music. She is very adventurous; she loves going down the tallest slide at the playground and jumping off the diving board into the pool. Lucia loves other kids and is never happier than when she’s playing with her cousins. We know she will be such an affectionate and loving big sister!

“ Lucia is happiest when she’s spending time with family and friends. ”



Lucia and her cousin

MORE ABOUT

Lucia

AGE: Almost 2!

OCCUPATION: Big kid slide tester

FAVORITE BOOK: “Doggo” (Go, dog, go!)

FAVORITE PLACE: Anywhere with other kids

CAN’T LIVE WITHOUT: Goldfish crackers

HER PERFECT DAY: “Helping” mama make breakfast, playing with her cousins, swimming at grandma’s house, and tacos for dinner.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY

Family is extremely important to us, and we have close relationships with our extended family on both sides. Anthony’s four siblings all live here in AZ, and we love hanging out with them almost every week at family dinners. Holiday traditions are a big deal for Anthony’s family. We go all out with a big turkey dinner for Thanksgiving, tamales and cookies for Christmas, and fireworks for New Year’s. Sarah’s parents live in New Jersey, but they visit us often and we FaceTime with them almost every day. A few times each year we get together with her whole family, including all five of Sarah’s siblings. Time with Sarah’s family always means beach trips, board games, cooking delicious Puerto Rican food, and lots of spontaneous singing. Our families have been so supportive throughout our adoption journey and Lucia is beloved by everyone on both sides.



Anthony’s family



Sarah’s family Christmas



Beach days with Grandma



Sarah’s family at the beach

OUR HOME

& Community

We own our home in a family-friendly neighborhood in Arizona. We live a five-minute walk from a great park with tons of grass and a playground and often meet Anthony's sister and our nephews there. There are beautiful hiking trails a short drive from our home, and we love to hike together on the weekends.



We love our home



Swimming at grandma's



Reading Lucia's favorite book



Lots of hiking nearby



Our neighborhood playground



Cousin crew



Older cousins are fun!



Our favorite room



Lucia in her playroom

OUR FRIENDS

Our community of friends is so important to us. We have so much fun together having game nights, movie nights, camping and going on adventures. Many of our friends are from our church, and they have been a tremendous source of love, strength, and wisdom as we build our life and family together.



Botanical garden with friends



Church friends park day



Hanging with neighborhood friends

WHY ADOPTION?

Ever since we got married we wanted to raise children together, and we always thought adoption was a beautiful way to build a family. When we learned we couldn't have biological children, we realized adoption might be the right path for us to become parents. Adopting Lucia has been the greatest gift we could imagine. It has confirmed so clearly that this was how we were meant to create our family. We are so excited to welcome a new child into our life and for our daughter to be a big sister.



Our promises to you, if you choose us...

- » Your child will be loved unconditionally, and we will put their needs first.
- » Your child will know their story: that they come from a place of great love, and that your love for them brought them into our family.
- » We'll teach your child to love others and raise them knowing that God loves them.
- » Your child will be encouraged to pursue their dreams and passions, and we will do everything in our power to make these dreams a reality.
- » Your child will grow up supported by an involved community of family and friends.



“Choosing adoption was the best decision we’ve ever made, and we cannot wait to welcome another child into our happy family.”

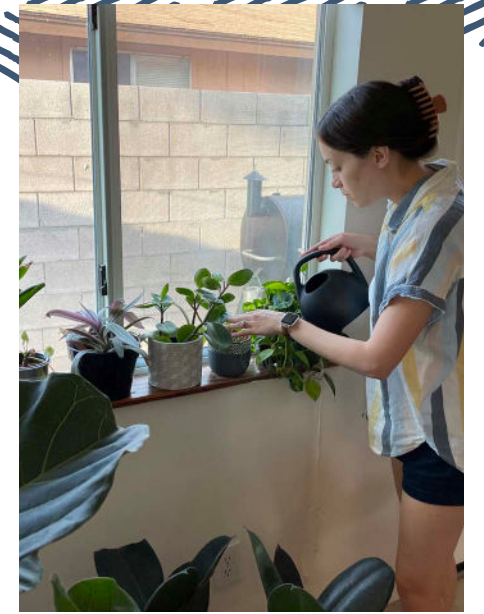


FUN FACTS

ABOUT *Us*



We watch baseball together all the time - go Diamondbacks!



We love to dance together; we even entered a dance competition in college!



Anthony is always picking up new hobbies. His latest are chess and guitar.



Anthony is an early bird and loves taking morning walks with Lucia.

Sarah loves house plants! Our house is currently home to more than 40.



We love to travel as a family; Lucia has already been to 7 different states.



Sarah loves to cook! Her *arroz con gandules* and *tostones* are family favorites.





Thank you!

Thank you so much for taking the time to learn more about us as a couple, and as parents. We hope that by learning more about us you will find comfort in knowing that we have so much love to give and have a wonderfully supportive group of family and friends that will love your child immensely. We will be praying for you as you consider the future for your child.

Anthony & Sarah