

PAIGE & SCOTT



DEAR SWEET BIRTH MOTHER

You are so very brave and strong. This decision has to be so difficult, and we do not take it lightly. We want you to know we are so grateful for you and the decision you are considering by making an adoption plan for your child.

We have talked about wanting to pursue adoption since our dating days. Now we have a sweet little two year old boy that prays every night "more babies, please, God."

We hope and pray for the opportunity to make him a big brother by adopting a baby brother or sister (or multiple). We will raise them together in a home full of family and friends, good food, and stories told in complete openness about who they are, where they came from, and the strength it took to get there.

Our hearts are to raise our kids in a home full of life, joy, good food and good people. We want to show them about the hope we have in Jesus, and teach them how to be wise, loving, strong by leading lives out grace and truth. We will encourage them to be the best version of themselves, provide them with access to quality education, and create opportunities to travel all over the world.

We could never thank you enough for considering us to adopt your child. We hope you take comfort in knowing, that should you choose us, your baby would be cared for as one of our family's biggest blessings.

With all of our love,

Lawrence (Scott), Paige, & Shepherd



WE'RE PAIGE & SCOTT

As you know, adoption has long since been our heart, but we wanted to be sure we were absolutely ready. We are so humbled and honored to be taking steps forward now, after what feels like forever waiting to grow our family in this way.

Last year we had a miscarriage, and that led us down a path of discussing if now is the right time for our family to begin the adoption process.

Not long after is when our sweet little boy started asking us for a baby. We talked a lot about how only God gives us babies, and one night at bedtime, he started praying "please God, more babies."

Needless to say, each of our hearts are so beyond ready to welcome another sweet little one into our home and our family.



OUR STORY

We (Scott & Paige) spent a week together on a hurricane relief trip during college, and after that, our friend group was inseparable. We spent loads of time together over the next year asking every hard question you can think of and laughing almost constantly.

That year shaped us as people, and shortly following, we started dating after a curbside conversation late one night. We spent the next year talking over coffee, eating a lot of curry, and going on walks outside.

November of the next year, we got engaged on the 50 yard-line of the football field of our university, and 90 days later in a room full of our family and friends on an unexpectedly warm February day, we promised each other our forevers.

Our sweet now two year old was born a year and a half after we were married, and we've since moved back to our college town where my husband is the college pastor at the church that helped build us.

Our first date began with a walk outside followed by time over coffee at the table, and to this day, those are one the most important parts of our life. Although we are two imperfect people, we make every effort to stay intentional about connecting as a family and in our marriage by spending time on daily morning walks around our neighborhood - reviewing our days, caring for one another's souls, and planning our next adventure. Our evenings are most typically closed out around our table with loads of good food and often with extra chairs and laughs with our friends and family.



A SNAPSHOT OF OUR YEARS TOGETHER

Fall 2016

We met in college



Fall 2019

We got engaged on the football field of our university



Fall 2020

Found out we were pregnant with our son



Fall 2022

Fall 2018

Scott asked Paige out



Winter 2020

We got married 90 days later



Summer 2021

Shepherd was born



Winter 2022

Fall 2018

Our first official date



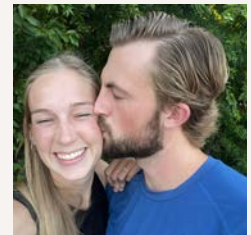
Winter 2020

We took our honeymoon in Hawaii



Summer 2022

We moved to a new town



Summer 2023

Scott started a new job working with college students



We did a big ole fixer-upper on our home



Began our adoption process



HOW PAIGE SEES SCOTT

Each day when Scott gets home, his first step into the house is greeted with the pitter patter of two little feet that carry a "Dadda, play outside with me." He quickly drops his bag by the door, gets on our son's level, giving him his full attention and care. He is the very best dad I can imagine, always making sacrifices to make Shepherd feel seen, loved, secure, and important. The rest of the evening he asks me deeply thoughtful questions about my day, how I am doing, and how he can serve me better. He's the single most passionate person I have ever met, and he spends every ounce of that passion caring for people throughout his days, and still coming home and making us feel even more seen and loved. My favorite thing about him is how he carries a desire to be better everywhere he goes - always aiming to grow near to God more and more while leading others to do the same.



HOW SCOTT SEES PAIGE



“Scott, what do you think about...?” Is a question Paige asks me often, and the more you get to know her the more you’ll understand why. When we were newly married Paige and I sat down to craft our new family’s values, dreams, and goals. That conversation was the first time she asked me that question, and my jaw hung open while her soft spoken words excitedly painted her dreams into reality before I had remembered to breathe. *Paige cares for everyone in her life with that same efficiently thoughtful approach.*

After spending most of his days with her for the past two years, our son is the happiest kid we know. They spend most of their days outside talking about bugs they find or laughing with their friends as they eat lunch. Shepherd knows he is safe and loved in Paige’s intentional care for him, and him and I can both agree, Paige is the best part of our family.

A LITTLE ABOUT PAIGE

Between living in North Africa to going on trips across the country, I've spent a fair share of time traveling, and I love a good adventure. Nothing has challenged me more, though, than living out of a place of the love Jesus has given me. He pulled me out of my darkness and into the freedom that could only be given by Him. I am far from perfect, but I am so grateful to be growing more like Jesus daily.

Our community says my personality is marked by an organized and detail-oriented nature, a thoughtful heart with eyes looking to celebrate others, along with a side of wit that I let shine in the most calculated of moments.

I love a good morning routine - up early soaking in the sunrise and reading, making breakfast with Shepherd by my side, and a walk around the neighborhood with my family. I'm drawn to different cultures and peoples - I love the warmth, food, and community that exists across the globe in differing facets.

I've always been excited to be a mom, but I never expected to have as much fun as we do on a daily basis.

I'm fortunate to have a job as a photographer that allows me to stay home with our son (& any future kids). Our days are filled with trips to the park or the library and hosting friends at our home (and allllll the snacks). Our son has brought out an even sillier side of me as he's grown. Simply put, I love to be with him.

I pray my kids come to know the love of Jesus and choose to spend their lives using their gifts & talents to bring Him glory.



A LITTLE ABOUT SCOTT



Ever since I had my first part time job I have been working with people. I was a swim coach, a high school teacher, and now I introduce people to Jesus and equip them to follow Him fully as a pastor. If you were to ask my friends and family they would have told you that ministry was my future, and in some ways I believed it was, too. I believe that once your life has been changed by trusting God with it, your future, your goals, and your time change as well.

Regardless of what job I have, I spend my life passionately following Jesus and helping my family and those around me do the same. I'm fortunate to have a job that will allow me time off to bond as a family during the adoption.

Shepherd and I LOVE playing outside. When I get home from work, we usually start playing in the yard immediately while Paige finishes making dinner. We can easily spend hours catching grasshoppers together or laying on the grass playing with trucks. Following dinner most nights is one of my favorite parts of the day: when Paige and I lay Shep in bed, sing him a song, and say a prayer with him.

After that Paige and I spend our evenings, after we lay Shepherd, down reading or mentoring other young adults in their own pursuit of Jesus. I am all about deep conversation, and these nights typically bring about some incredible discussions. Paige and I often find ourselves learning more about each other because of these nights, and I am so grateful to be a part.

My most common prayer right now is that we would get to welcome more children into our family, we'd be able to show them the love of Jesus, and they would spend their lives getting to know him all the more.

ABOUT SHEPHERD



Our wild man, and one of our greatest gifts to date, only following our salvation and our marriage.



Shep is a ham - learning how to crack jokes, always making us laugh. Full of so much energy, always playing at full speed. He loves books, trucks, animals, and being outside.

We prayed when I was pregnant that he would be received as a joy and welcomed into each room he walked in with gladness, and we are so thankful that God has given him such a joyful, silly, and energetic demeanor.



This kid has challenged us, humbled us, and multiplied our joy exponentially. We are elated at the thought of him becoming the big brother he dreams of being.

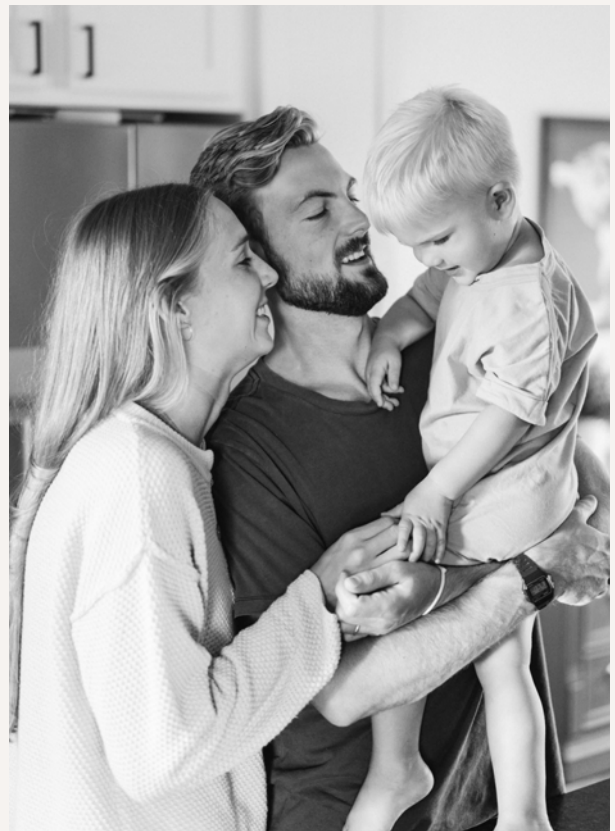
Shep wants to be a big brother so very badly, and we wholeheartedly believe that he will be the most loving and fun big brother, and we can't wait for him to have siblings.

Shep's favorite things:

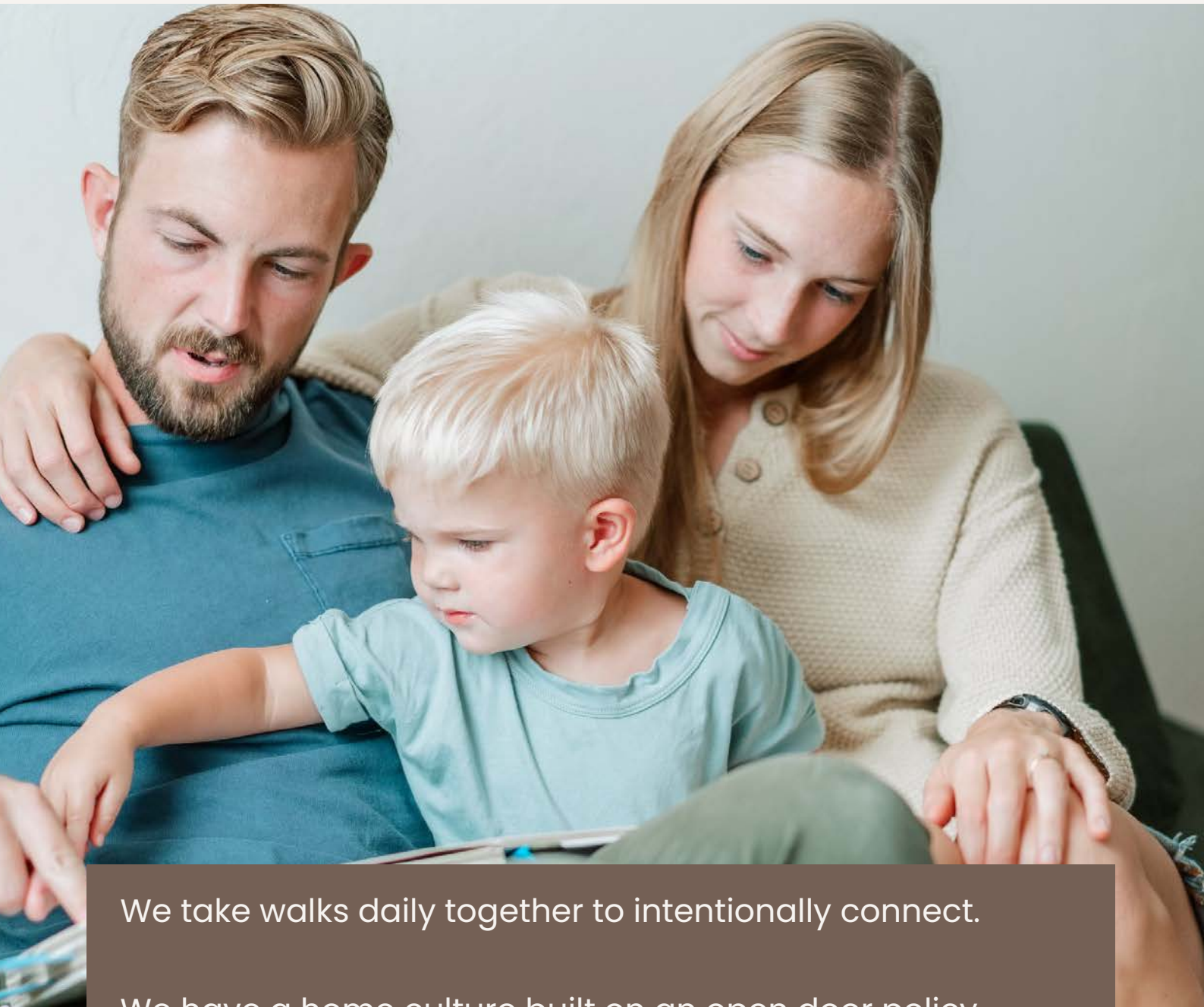
- Time with on his swing with Mama
- Getting books from the library
- Playing Legos with Dadda
- Playing with his friends at the park

OUR FAMILY MISSION

to show the love of
God, connect with &
serve others, and
laugh a whole lot



OUR FAMILY VALUES



We take walks daily together to intentionally connect.

We have a home culture built on an open door policy, plenty of good food, and extra chairs around our table and we are always intentional about inviting others in for a meal and to share the love we've been given in Jesus.

We are life-long learners, always exploring, and looking for the next time we get to experience a new culture and meet new people.

OUR FAMILY STAPLES

We aim to parent our kids by connection first. With our son, this usually looks like taking him along with us and engaging with him through the things he's experiencing.

We also love to travel, which lends itself to plenty of opportunities to parent through experiences. We want our kids to see the world and experience as many cultures as possible. We try new foods, learn from different forms of hospitality, and do our best to implement what we've learned to our lives. This year we've been to Texas, Utah, and Costa Rica.

Birthdays are also a reallllly big deal in our house. We love each other and can't quite get over the fact that we get to spend our days together, so we celebrate hard. Recently, Shepherd & I got to decorate the house and plan Scott's birthday weekend (some of which included his favorite Asian food and a piñata).

With holidays, though, more than anything we make a major effort to be with our people. Most often we fill our home with family and friends and spend the day making really good food and playing games, preferably outside if the weather is nice.



OUR GREAT BIG FAMILY

One of our favorite memories as a family is going out to Scott's Grandpa's ranch for Christmas.

We always wake up in the morning and go ride in the gator to see the deer before everyone piles in to eat breakfast around the table.

The rest of the day we spend exploring, seeing the cattle, laughing together, and making a big dinner to eat.

The best part is in the evenings when everyone gathers to play dominoes until we can't stay awake anymore.

And then we wake up in the morning and start all over again. It's always so refreshing to be together!



Scott's Side

Paige's Side




Paige's side is an adventurous bunch. We have the joy of seeing each other often, but our favorite thing to do is getting to spend time traveling together.

One of our favorite memories with Paige's family is the time we went to the mountains, hiked up to an overlook at sunset to watch fireworks over the town.

Shepherd was 11 months old, and I (Paige) just remember him snuggling up to me as we hiked and falling asleep on me as we were sitting in the middle of this beautiful canyon surrounded by so many people who love us and that we love so dearly.

As much fun as we have while we are out and about exploring, we feel even more blessed to get to be together on a regular basis in our everyday lives.

A photograph of a family of three laughing together. A woman with long blonde hair is on the left, smiling broadly. A man with a beard and brown hair is in the center, also laughing. A young boy with blonde hair is in the foreground, laughing with his head tilted back. The woman is holding the boy's hands. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

We are thankful, we are for
you, and we are proud of you.
Thank you for considering us.