



Danny & Lisa





HI!

# WE'RE DANNY AND LISA

We are so grateful you've taken the time to look at our profile book. We know it's a hard thing to truly get to know someone in a few carefully selected pictures and words. But we hope the next few pages will give you some idea of the love we have for each other and the importance of family in our lives. We promise to provide a safe and caring home for your little one, and to help them learn, grow, and become the person God made them.

To us, that is what the adoption process is all about. Love and Family. We are very excited about the possibility of welcoming your child into our home. We understand the significance of this decision and it would be an incredible honor to be chosen by you.

We also want you to know that we are grateful for the courageous choice you've made to give your baby life. We know it has not been easy, and we are humbled that you would let us be a part of your journey. We have been praying for your baby and for you, and we always will.





# Our Love Story

We met early in college, though neither of us can pinpoint exactly when or where. But we do know it had to be during one of the many theatre productions we worked on together. We remained friends for years before we started dating. Lisa was finishing her senior year and Danny had already graduated when we finally got together.



We dated for exactly 51 weeks before Danny proposed to Lisa. He was going to do it on our one year anniversary, but just couldn't wait that extra week; surprising her on a cold, December evening. We were married five months later in the church where Danny was pastoring, surrounded by friends and family. In May 2020, we celebrated 10 years of married life!

We enjoy celebrating milestones like anniversaries and birthdays together, and try to go out and do things together regularly. Investing in our relationship is important for us, and we make lots of space in our lives for dates and getaways. We also invest in the marriages around us. To this day, our bridal party are some of the closest people we share our lives with. Good friends since college, we support each other and cheer for each other as we grow our families.





# Why Adoption?

We chose adoption because we love children and we want to grow our family. And adoption was a part of Danny's family life growing up. Lots of his cousins on his mom's side are adopted and he's gotten to be part of the joys of growing a family through adoption.

Our journey to adoption began just a few months into our marriage when we experienced our first pregnancy loss. It was a special shock to find out that we were pregnant in the same week we lost our baby, but it wouldn't be the last time.

After that, we found out that polycystic ovarian syndrome and severe endometriosis were going to make conceiving naturally very unlikely.

We spent the next six years struggling with infertility. We were surrounded with prayers and love from lots of people who cared for us. But our hearts ached to become parents.

Finally, after surgeries and lots of embarrassing doctors visits and frustration and tears we found out Lisa was pregnant, only to loose that baby a few days later. This happened three more times over the next two years. We've been through a lot of hurt and loss. But we never stopped wanting to love a child and give them a home.

We want to adopt because of how much love God has put in our hearts. We want to adopt because things like love and family are a choice, regardless of where you come from and we choose to love your child. We also want to love and support you in your choice of life for your child. Adoption will not be a secret in our house, and we will never say anything negative about our birth family. You are making a selfless, loving choice and we are so grateful to you, no matter what you choose.





# What I Love About Lisa

## By Danny

LISA IS SUCH A STRONG AND CARING WOMAN. THE LOVE OF JESUS IS REALLY EVIDENT IN THE LOVE SHE SHOWS TO OTHER PEOPLE. I AM AWED BY HOW SELFLESS SHE IS TOWARD PEOPLE AROUND HER. SHE IS ALSO THE HARDEST WORKING PERSON I KNOW. SHE WILL DO LITERALLY ANYTHING FOR HER FAMILY. SHE IS SMART, PATIENT, AND A GREAT NURTURER. I LOVE HER HEART FOR KIDS OF ALL AGES. WHETHER IT IS COMFORTING NIECES AND NEPHEWS OR WORKING WITH THE CHURCH YOUTH GROUP, SHE IS GREAT AT TEACHING AND ENCOURAGING THE NEXT GENERATION. ONE THING YOU NEED TO KNOW IS THAT SHE IS SUPER DETAIL-ORIENTED. SHE IS ALWAYS CATCHING STUFF THAT I MISS. AND IT MAKES HER REALLY GREAT AT BEING PREPARED FOR WHATEVER LIFE THROWS AT HER.



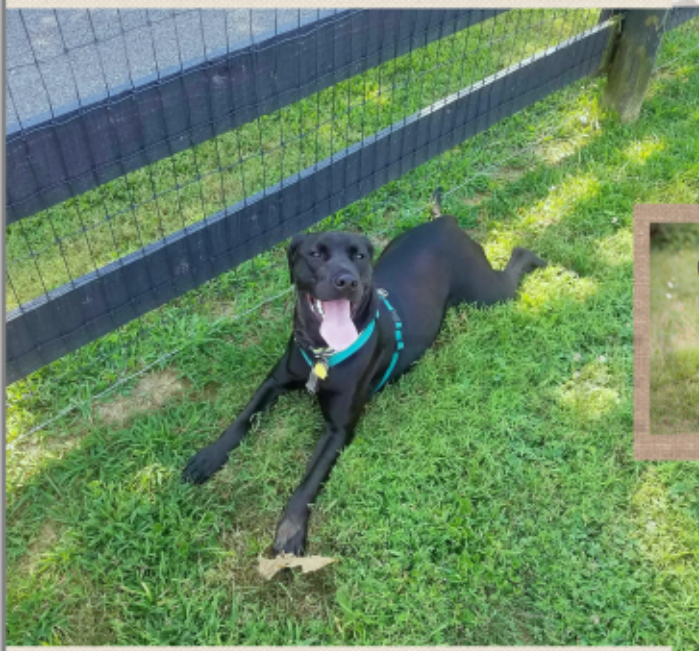


## What I Love About Danny

By Lisa

DANNY IS SO LOVING AND GENEROUS WITH HIS TIME, POSSESSIONS, AND TALENTS. ITS WHAT FIRST ATTRACTED ME TO HIM. THAT AND HIS SENSE OF HUMOR. HE MAKES ME LAUGH LIKE NO ONE ELSE CAN. HE IS GENUINE AND LIKES TO SPEND TIME WITH PEOPLE. HE IS SO INTELLIGENT AND A GREAT PROBLEM-SOLVER. HE'S A WONDERFUL LEADER IN OUR HOME. PEOPLE OFTEN SAY WHAT A GREAT PERSON, A GREAT FRIEND, AND A GREAT UNCLE HE IS; AND WHAT A GREAT FATHER HE WILL BE. AND I AGREE! DANNY'S LOVE OF KIDS IS EVIDENT IN THE WAY HE INTERACTS WITH THE KIDS IN OUR LIVES. HE IS ALWAYS EAGER TO MAKE TIME WHENEVER THEY WANT TO READ OR PLAY TOGETHER. I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE ALL THESE PARTS OF DANNY INFLUENCE THE LIVES OF MORE KIDS AS THEY LEARN AND GROW.





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# Adventure is out there!



HIKING, FISHING, TRAVELING. WE LOVE TO GO ON ADVENTURES AND SHARE THEM WITH OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS. WHETHER WE ARE WALKING THROUGH THE NEIGHBORHOOD, OR OFF ON VACATION, MAKING MEMORIES IS IMPORTANT TO US. HERE ARE SOME OF THE ADVENTURES WE'VE SHARED!





## Extended Family

Our families are very important to us. We are close to both sides and get together with them as often as we can. Danny comes from a big family, the second of four boys. His parents (Bill and Cindy), three brothers (Don, Zac, and Zayne) and their wives (Sandy, Stephanie, and Brooklyn) all live in Indiana, where they grew up. Bill is an accountant (CPA) and Cindy does volunteer work in the community. Don and Sandy have five girls (Celina, 11; Layla, 9; Rebecca, 6; Isabella [Izzy], 4; and Ziva, 2). Don is in charge of the theatre department at the college where we met! And Sandy stays at home with the girls. Zac is a technical director in a professional theatre and Steph is a family therapist. They have a boy (Malachi, 3) with one more on the way! Zayne, who manages a gas station, just got married to Brooklyn, who works in community mental health, and they are expecting their first baby! Large family get-togethers with all Danny's aunts and uncles and cousins are part of our life and we love spending time together playing board games or card games, watching sports, or just hanging out.





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Lisa grew up with her parents (Gary and Regina) and older brother (Matt) in California. Matt, moved to Arkansas after he married Liesl and they live there with their three kids (Nora, 11; Patrick, 9; and Cecily [Ceecee], 6). Matt works as a freelance web developer and Liesl teaches vocal performance at the college they graduated from. Gary and Regina have moved there too so they can stay close to the grandkids. He works as a chaplain, a great fit after many years pastoring, and she is a receptionist at a small business. We don't get to see them as often since they are a bit farther away. But we get out there at least once a year and have lots of calls over skype so we can see each others' faces. Everyone is so excited about us adopting!



♥ WE ARE ♥  
**FAMILY**

# Holiday Traditions

WE LOVE CELEBRATING HOLIDAYS. THEY USUALLY INVOLVE TRAVEL, TIME WITH FAMILY, AND LOTS OF FOOD. CHRISTMAS IS LISA'S FAVORITE HOLIDAY. WE CELEBRATE WITH PRESENTS, DECORATING COOKIES, AND LOOKING AT ALL THE LIGHTS AROUND TOWN. WE ALTERNATE WHO WE SPEND THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS WITH, SO ONE YEAR WE WILL HAVE THANKSGIVING WITH DANNY'S FAMILY AND CHRISTMAS WITH LISA'S FAMILY; THEN THE NEXT YEAR WE SWITCH. THAT WAY WE GET TO SEE EVERYBODY.

EASTER (DANNY'S FAVORITE) WE TYPICALLY SPEND AT HOME AND IT USUALLY INVOLVES EARLY MORNING CHURCH AND SMOKED LAMB.

THE FOURTH OF JULY AND MEMORIAL DAY ARE USUALLY SPENT WITH FRIENDS. DANNY LIKES TO GRILL AND SMOKE DELICIOUS THINGS AND HAVE PEOPLE OVER. IN DANNY'S FAMILY MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND IS ALL ABOUT THE INDY 500.

BIRTHDAYS ARE USUALLY CELEBRATED WITH CAKE AND A SPECIAL MEAL, AND TIME SPENT TOGETHER (OR PHONE CALLS WITH FAMILY).







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We live in a large live-in home (Danny built) is right next to a guest room with one of the fenced in summer garden.



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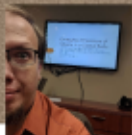
# Plans for the future...

AS DANNY LIKES TO SAY, "DIFFICULT TO SEE, THE FUTURE IS." BUT THESE ARE SOME OF OUR HOPES AND DREAMS.

DANNY IS JUST FINISHING UP A PHD PROGRAM AND PLANS TO START TEACHING AT A UNIVERSITY SOON. HE'S BEEN PUBLISHING BOOKS AND ARTICLES AND TEACHING GRAD STUDENTS WHILE HE STUDIES. HIS PASSION FOR TEACHING AND RESEARCH CAN TAKE US ALL SORTS OF EXCITING PLACES AROUND THE WORLD. BUT IT ALSO GIVES HIM PLENTY OF TIME TO SPEND WITH THE FAMILY.

LISA'S WORK AS A SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER GIVES HER A VERY FLEXIBLE SCHEDULE. SHE LOVES WORKING IN THE COMMUNITY AND PLANS TO DO SO PART TIME WHILE MOSTLY STAYING AT HOME WITH THE KIDS. SHE ALSO PLANS ON HAVING LOTS OF HELP FROM OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILIES.

EDUCATION IS SUPER IMPORTANT TO US AND WE PLAN TO BE VERY INVOLVED IN OUR KIDS' LEARNING. ALSO, DANNY'S WORK SITUATION SHOULD MEAN OUR KIDS WILL HAVE ACCESS TO TUITION-FREE COLLEGE IF THAT IS THEIR BEST CAREER PATH.





# Our Promise to You

Adoption will never be a secret in our home. We promise to be very open with your child about their story, their adoption, and the sacrifice and love in your decision. There will never be a negative thing said to anyone about our birth family. We already have nothing but gratitude and appreciation for you.

Placing a baby for adoption is selfless, loving and brave. And we will always remind your child of this.

Thank you for taking the time to get to know us. We will be praying for you and your decision!





