

Dear Birthmother,

Though this letter is addressed to you as "birthmother," we know that your connection to our child will not be limited to his or her birth. Whether you choose an open, semi-open, or closed adoption, you will forever be a part of our child's life. We hope to get to know you and build a positive relationship with you to your comfort level. To begin, please permit us to introduce ourselves.

Chris

I am the youngest of three kids. My brother and sister are 15 and 14 years older than I am. I am originally from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and grew up as an avid fan of the Steelers, Pirates, and Penguins.

I love to run and participate in a half-marathon every year. I have a passion for music and have played clarinet since I was a child. I also sing with the choir at my church. I work as a pilot for corporate aircraft at a charter company serving the Saint Louis area. I am very excited to be a father and hope share my interests with our child, as well as seeing what unique activities bring them joy.

Elizabeth

I am a lifelong Saint Louisan and love my hometown. My parents, sister and I lived in the city near our extended family when I was growing up, and I am happy to have a good relationship with my family as an adult. I received an education degree from a local university and currently work as an academic tutor and dance teacher. I also like managing our home life and caring for our two cats.

I have had a positive view of adoption since childhood and considered it as a possibility in my future even before meeting my husband, Chris. We are now looking forward as a couple to growing our family through adoption. We are strongly committed to our Catholic faith, genuinely love each other, and simply enjoy each other's company and have fun together. I want to share all of this with any child(ren) we would be blessed to welcome into our home.

Thank you so much for reading our letter and for considering adoption for your baby. We have great respect and a deep appreciation for you. We have been and will continue to keep you in our prayers.

Sincerely,  
Chris & Elizabeth