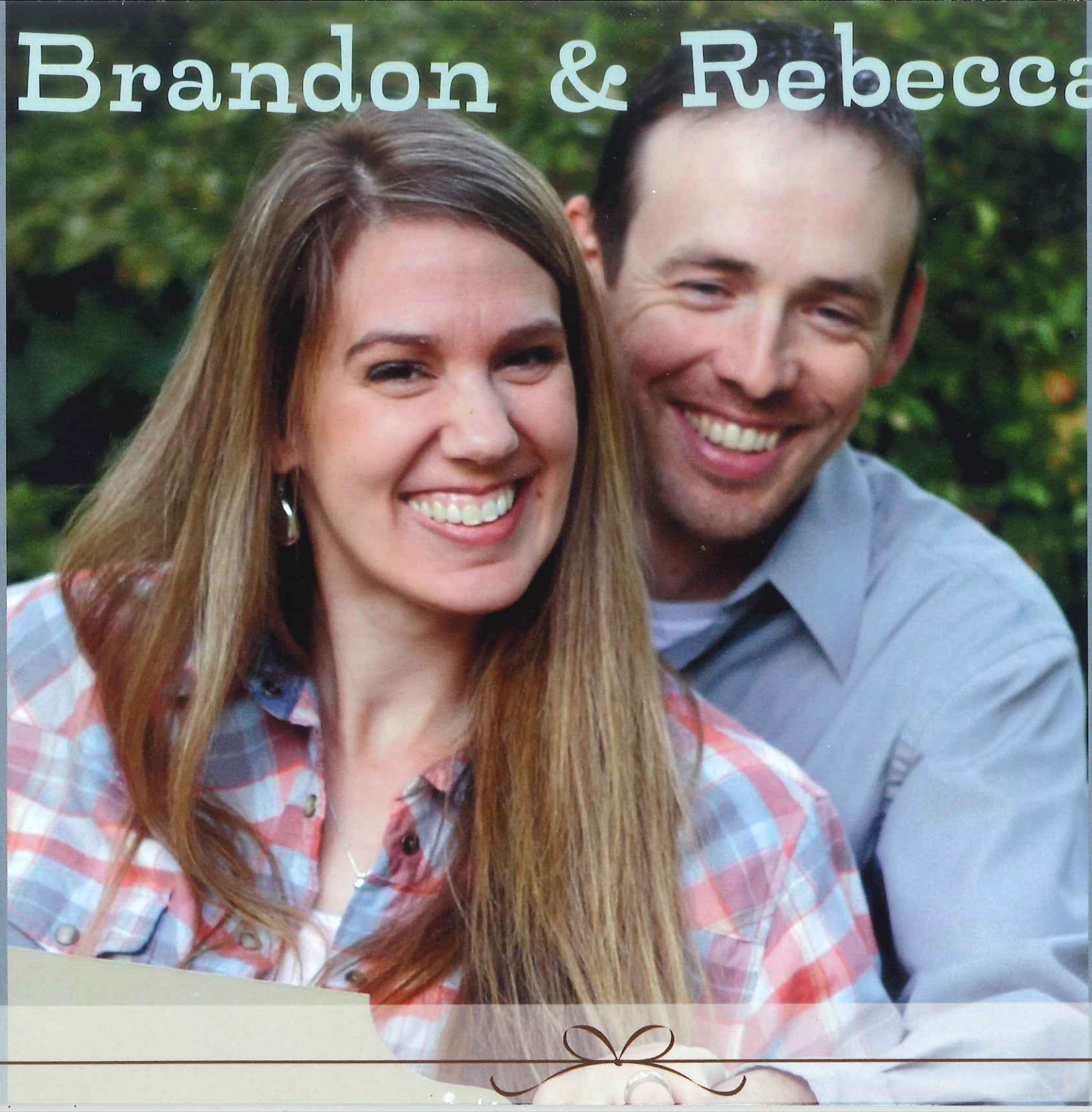
Brandon & Rebecca



Hello,

We are honored to share our life with you. We recognize that this may be the hardest decision you've ever had to make. We have been and will continue praying for you. No matter what family you choose, we know God has a beautiful plan for you and your child.

We are a family of love, flaws, forgiveness, and second chances. We are excited to share our life and our family with you. Our journey toward adoption started at different points for the two of us. For me, Rebecca, it has been a part of my heart since my teen years and has only strengthened over time. For Brandon, it began with conversations with Rebecca and deepened during our infertility journey.

It is our deepest desire to grow our family. We've been trying for the past 5 years. If we are given the chance to raise your baby, we will unconditionally love them forever. We cannot ever imagine our life without children and can't imagine it without the piece you will forever hold in it. Some people are born into a family and some grafted into a family, but both are incredibly valued. We will honor the love and sacrifice you have given, and we are committed to helping your baby see how immensely loved by you they are. Thank you for considering us to be the loving home for your baby. May you find peace in the middle of this journey.

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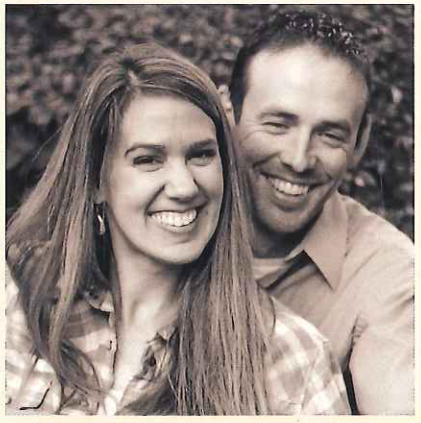

our story

Our bible college friendship blossomed into a lifelong love. After college, Brandon lived in California and Rebecca lived in Oregon, yet remained friends. We started dating on Thanksgiving Day, and we have been thankful ever since. We just celebrated our seventh year of marriage that encompasses amazing joys and abundant blessings amidst deep pain. Our phrase has become: "I love you more than I did the day before."

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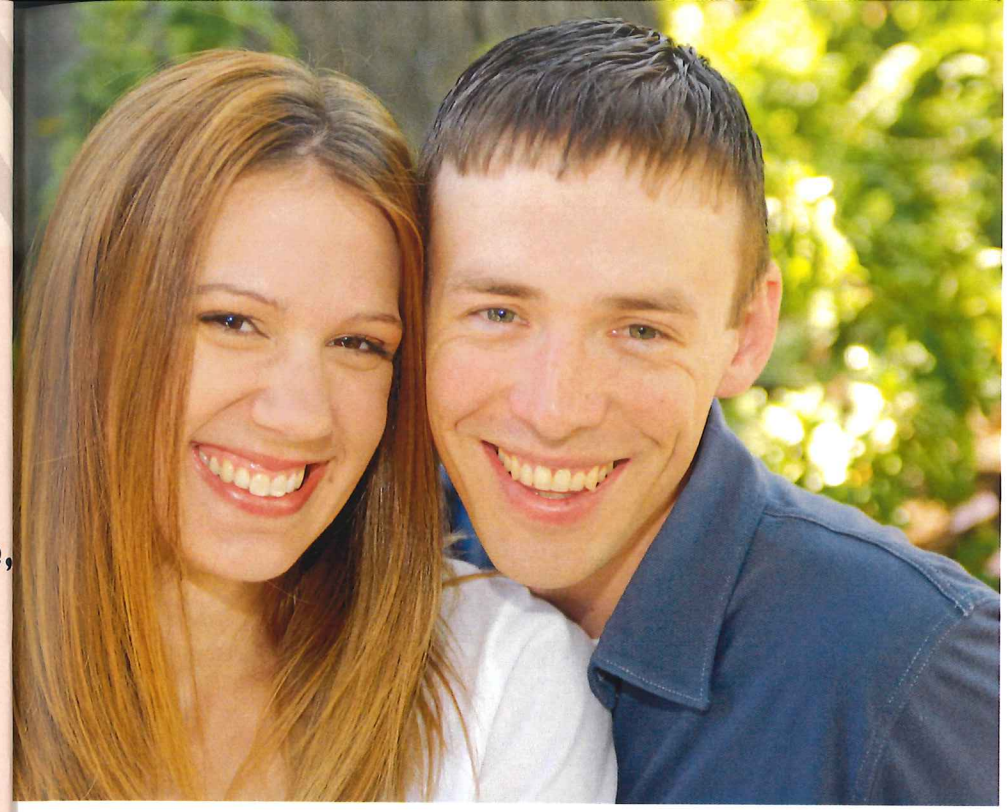
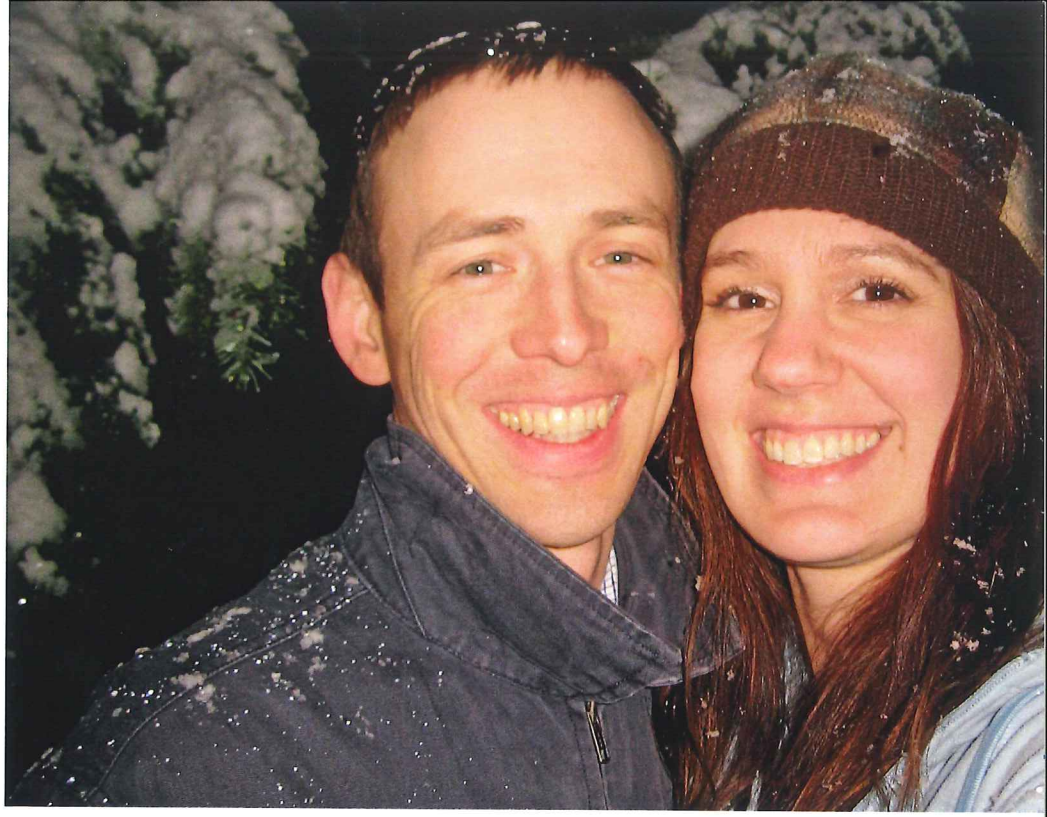
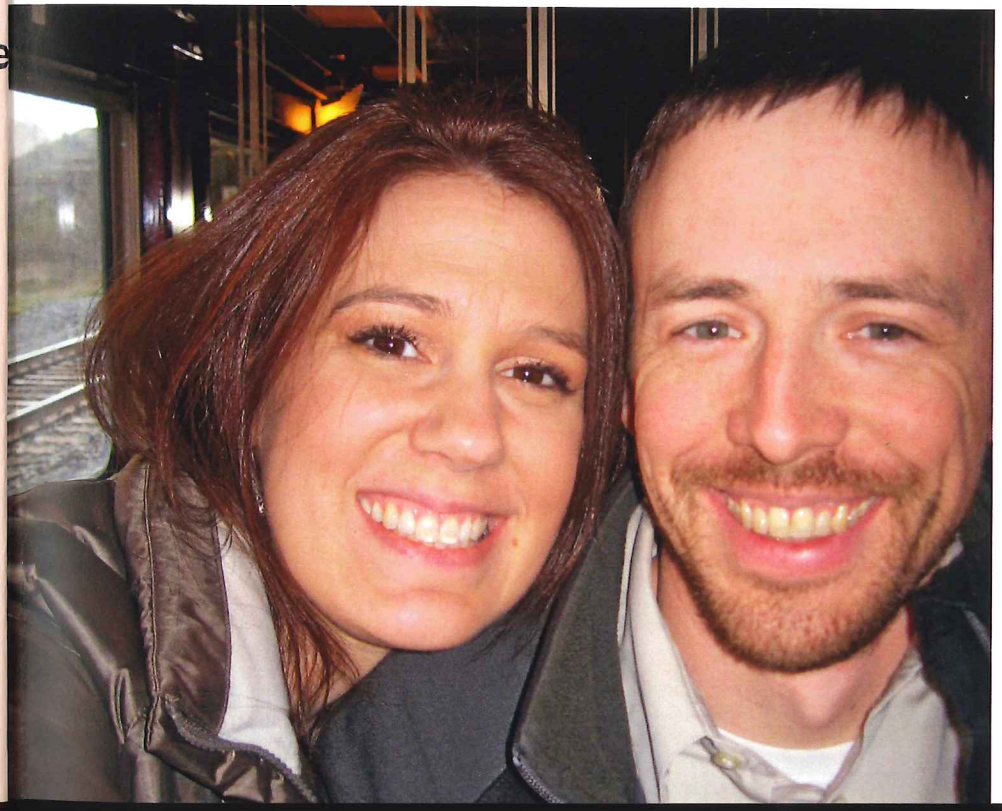
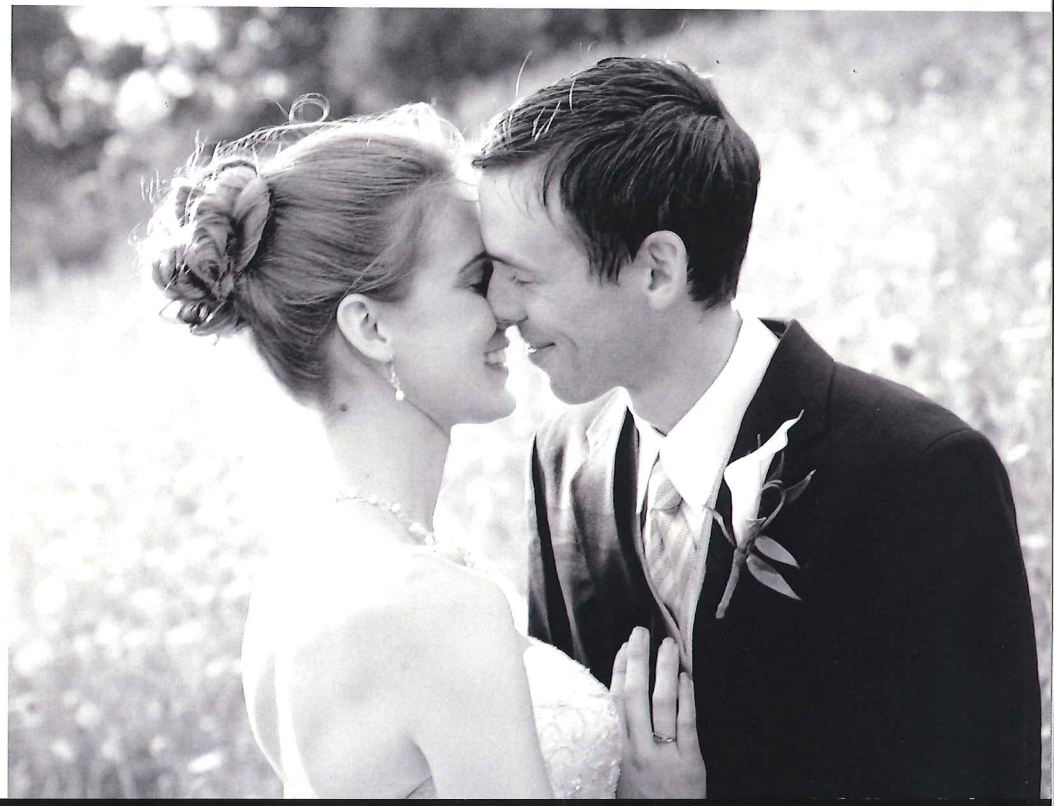




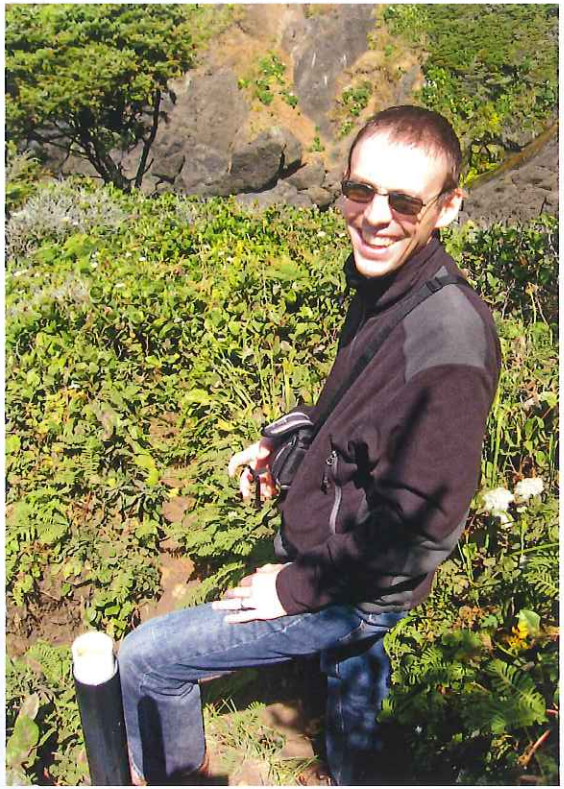


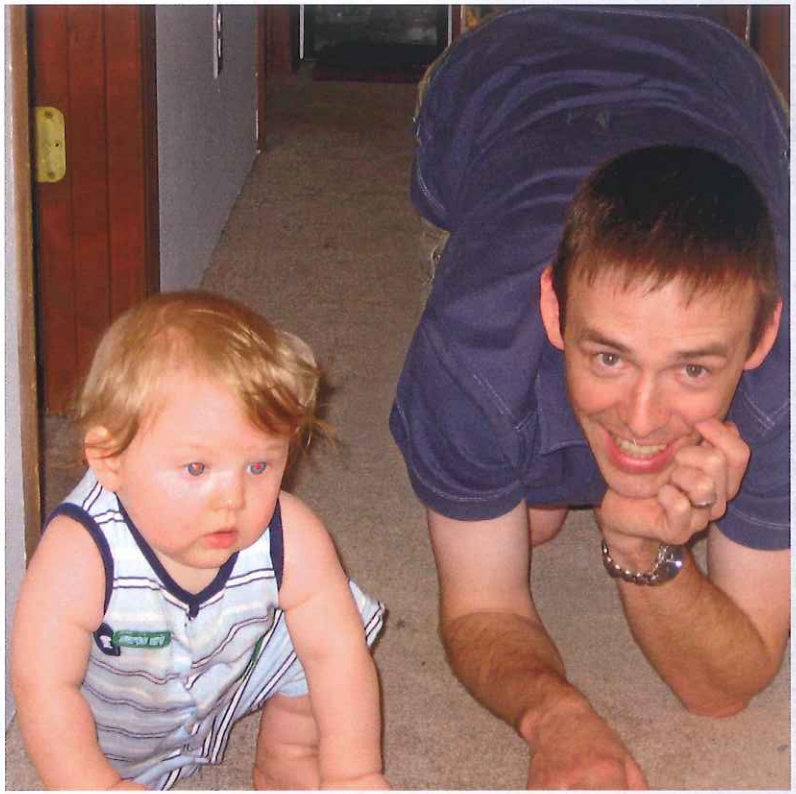


about brandon

I enjoy my work as an accountant for a local family focused company. Since I enjoy working outside, a few years back I started a very small lawn care company.

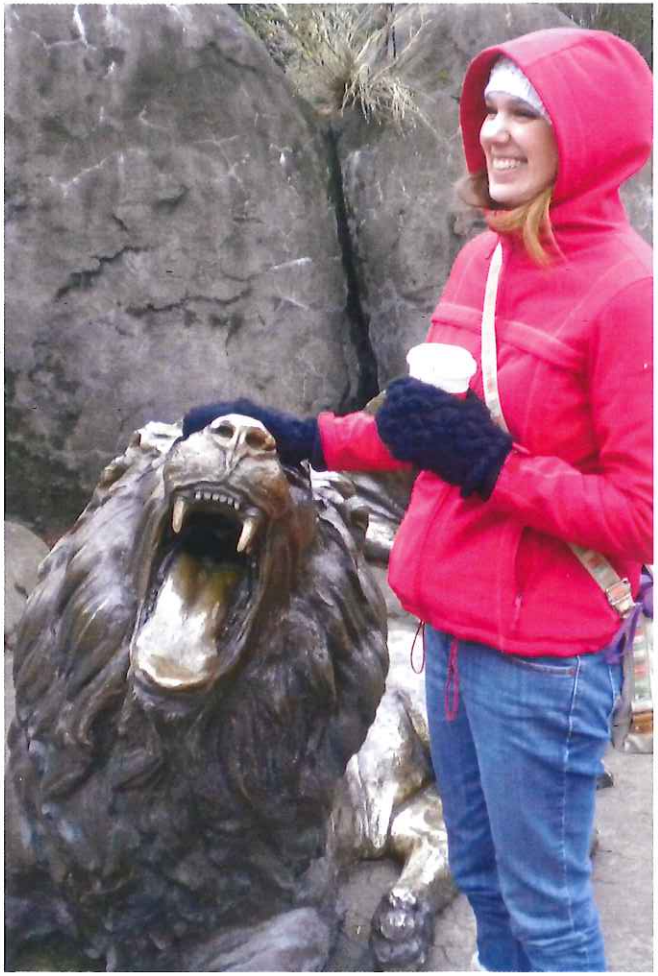
Rebecca Says: I know Brandon will make a wonderful father. I was drawn to his gentle and caring nature. He is a hard worker that is committed to God and family.





I love that he is eager to enjoy the outdoors, he spots the little things in wild life that I would miss. He's brought camping alive for me. I Love the way he is so tender and gentle with babies and playful with toddlers, this makes me eager to watch him with our children.

about rebecca

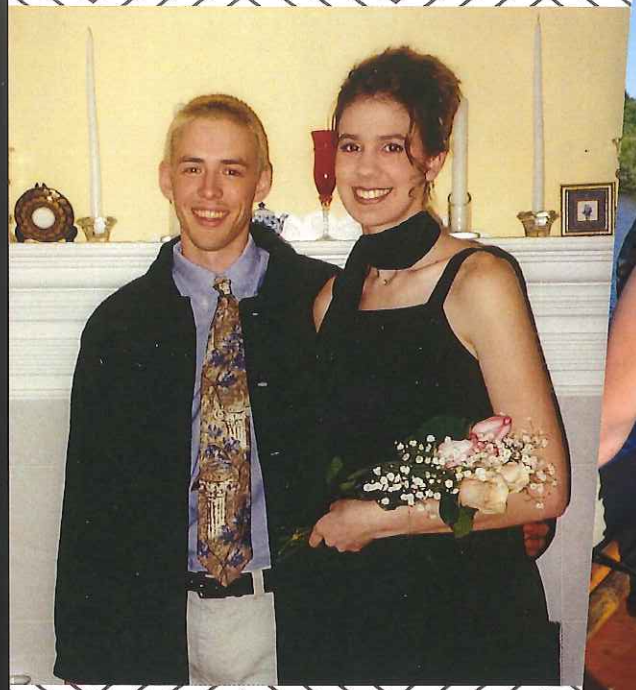


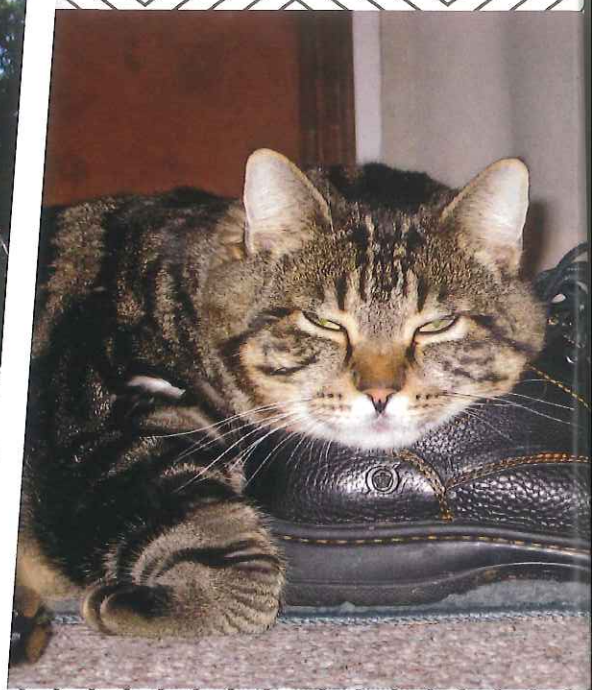
I love being a 3rd grade teacher and investing in the lives of children every day!

Brandon says: She is full of life and one of the most kindhearted and patient people I know, because of this she is very comfortable and enjoyable to be around.

She has a gift of making people feel at home when you are with her. I look forward to listening to her read books to our children, hearing them laugh and giggle as they play around the house. Most of all I look forward to watching her snuggle a baby in her arms.

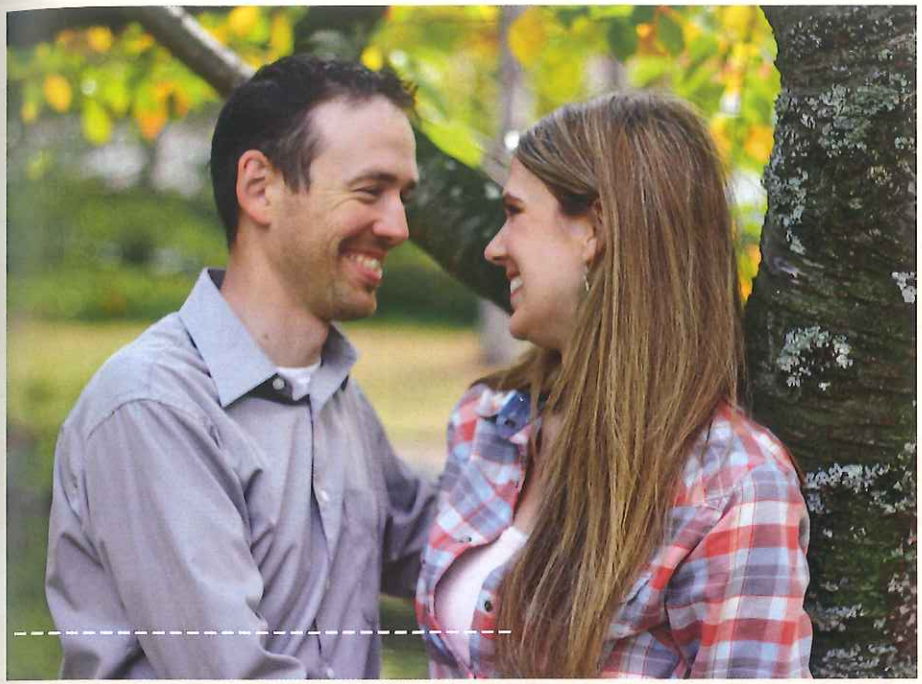
about us: better together





* Our rescue cats, Winston and Shiloh bring much joy into our home.
* We love capturing our year in a family photo book.
* We enjoy finding God's beauty and His creations all around us.
* We find a richness in the simple pleasures of life: the ocean, a sunset, a deck of cards

our favorites



Brandon's

A few of my favorite things are anything that connects me to:
* nature, and spotting wild life
* historical sights,
* trains, planes, and automobiles
* reading, researching a deal,
* helping a friend

A few entertainment favorites are "The A Team" Movie, the bands "U2" and "Switch foot"

Rebecca's

A few of my simple pleasures are: hikes, picnics or berry picking, and walking along the beach. As much as I love the outdoors, I also cherishes my down time with girlfriends, arts and photography. A coffee or chai latte with a book in a cozy chair is like a small piece of heaven. A couple of my favorite movies are "Emma," "The Italian Job" and "Anne of Green Gables." Brandon is my "Gilbert."

our home

BIG Yard of fun with a couple of parks just around the corner!!

Baby's Room

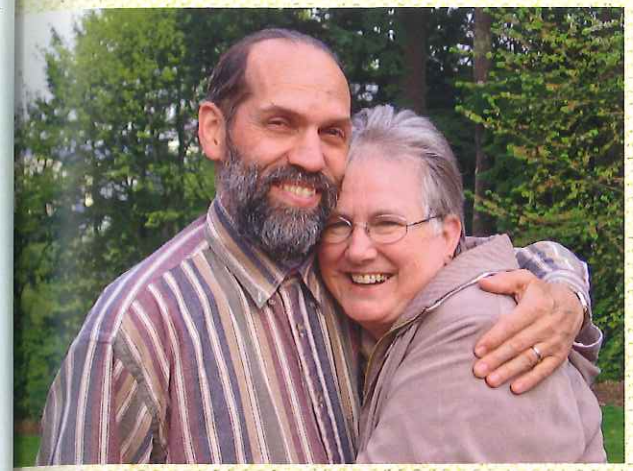
We've lived in our 3-bedroom home since our first anniversary, with our two cats. We have dreamed of our children playing in the back yard, climbing the oak trees, enjoying the birds, squirrels who visit along with the occasional deer on the almost half-acre. There are two parks within four blocks from our home. We have a room all set up for our child, with a bassinet and crib ready to be filled with life.

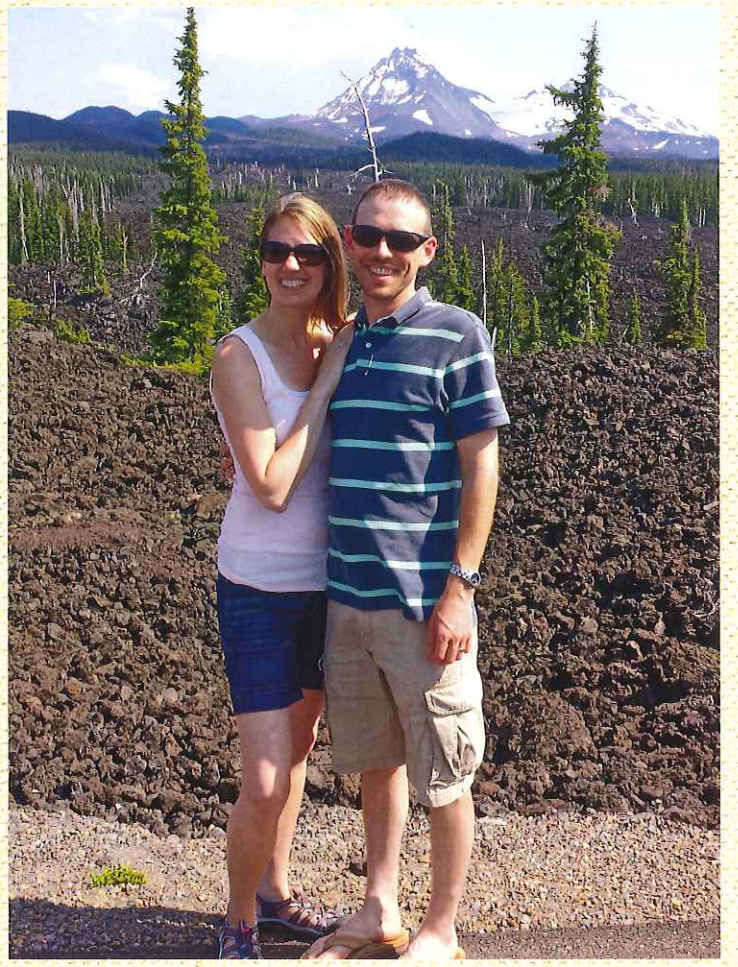
Home is where the heart is.

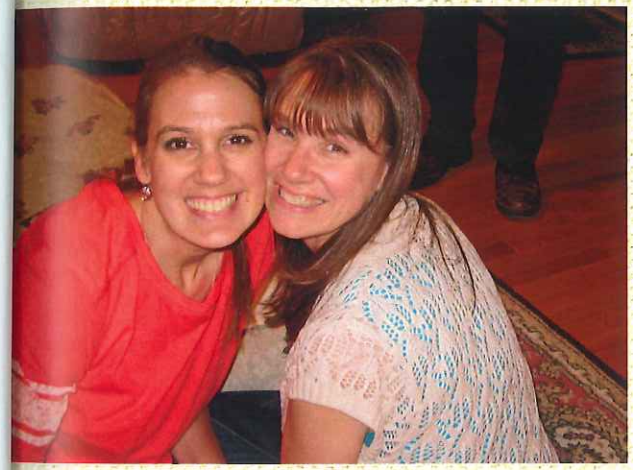
our family

Our family has given an amazing legacy in marriage and family commitment. Our parents have been married for over 44 years. They modeled the loving work of maintaining a lasting relationship while giving kids a great childhood.

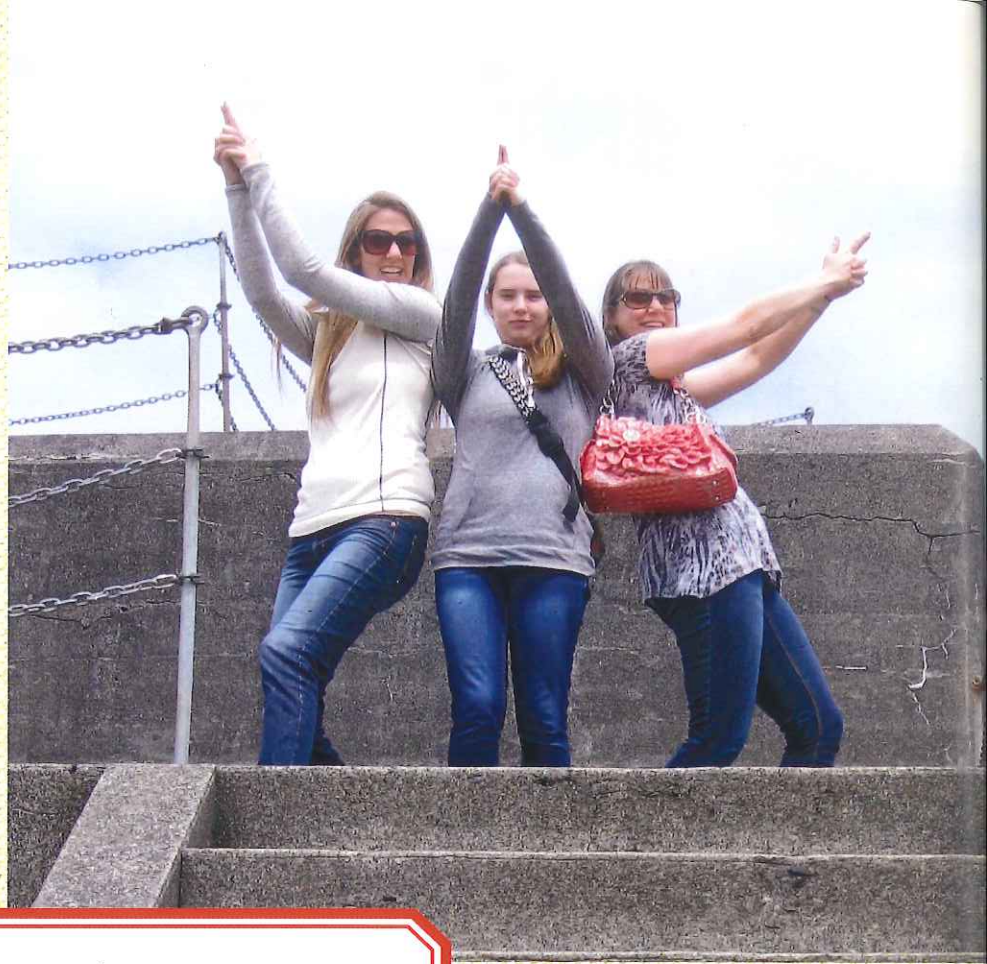
Our family is so excited and can't wait to welcome a new baby into the family with love and support, while honoring you.



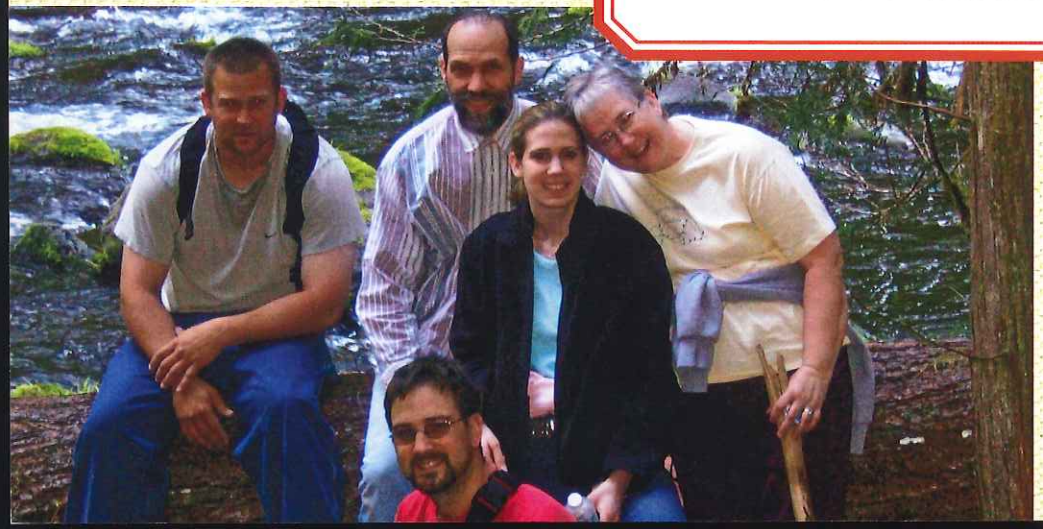


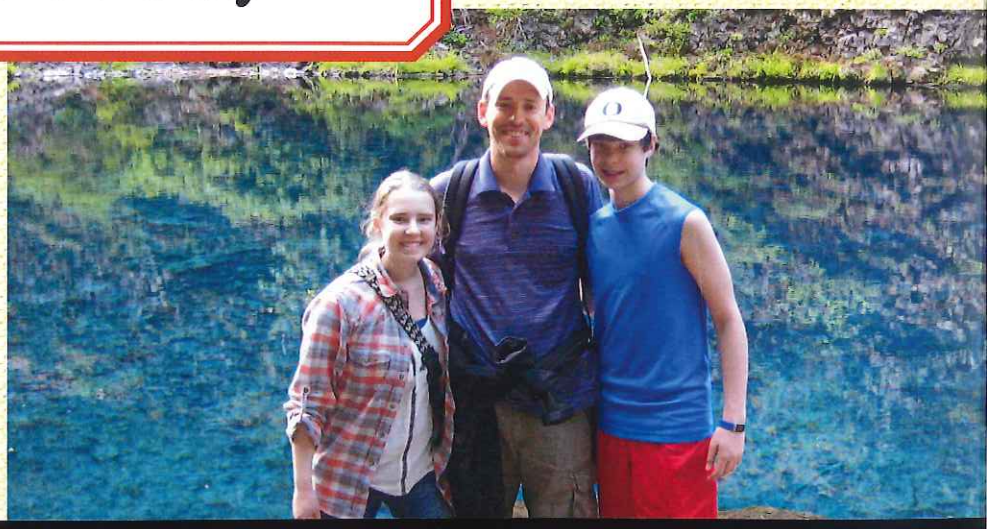


Though our parents don't live in the same state as we do, we see each other regularly and are committed to maintaining close relationships.



Rebecca's Extended Family

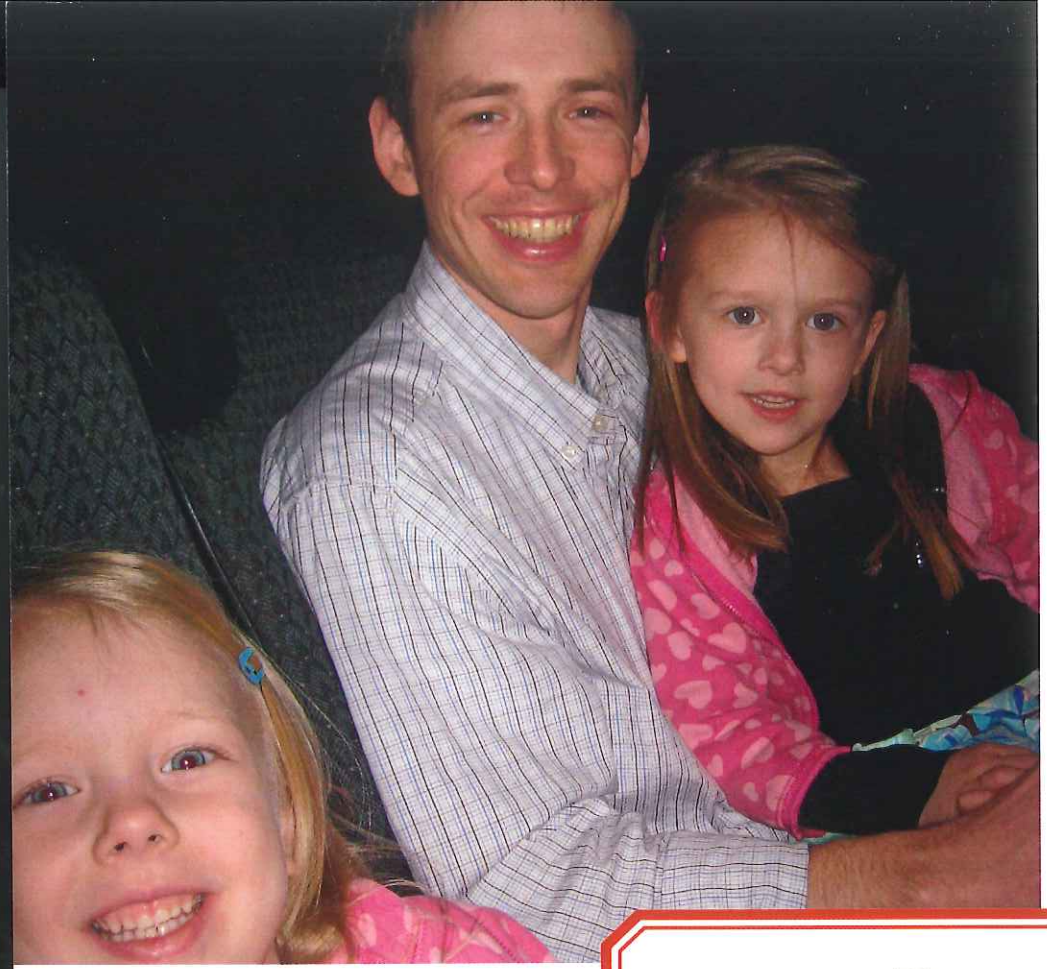




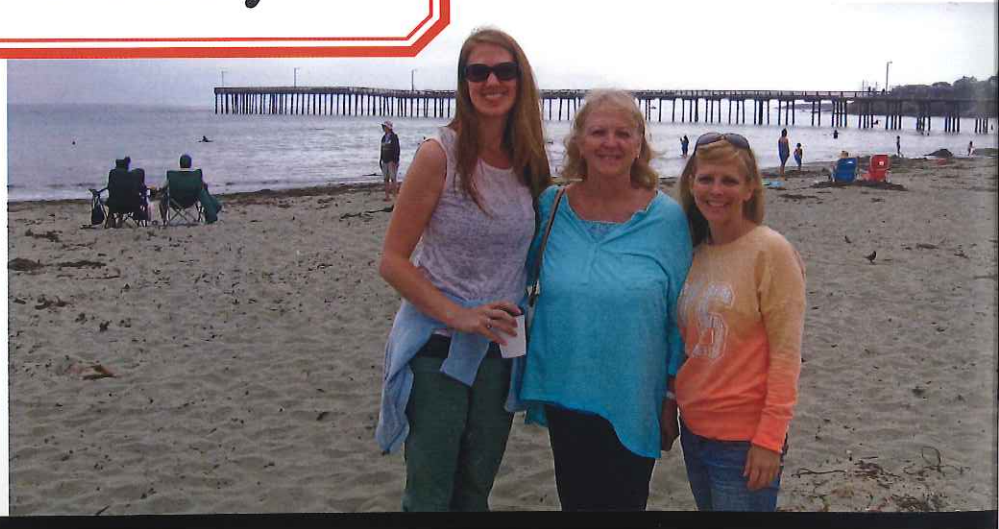
family memories

My family is precious to me. I was born in Iowa, the youngest of 4, and share a birthday with my mom. I LOVED living my childhood in Iowa, with large family gatherings, rubber band wars with my brothers, winter sledding excursions, catching lightning bugs at dusk, picnics in the park, hours spent at the pool. I am blessed with many wonderful memories growing up and I cannot wait to create memories with our children!

Our families greatest challenge ever faced, was the death of my eldest brother. He was killed in Afghanistan, 2011. This loss taught us so much to treasure every moment. His life will never be forgotten.



Brandon's Extended Family



family memories

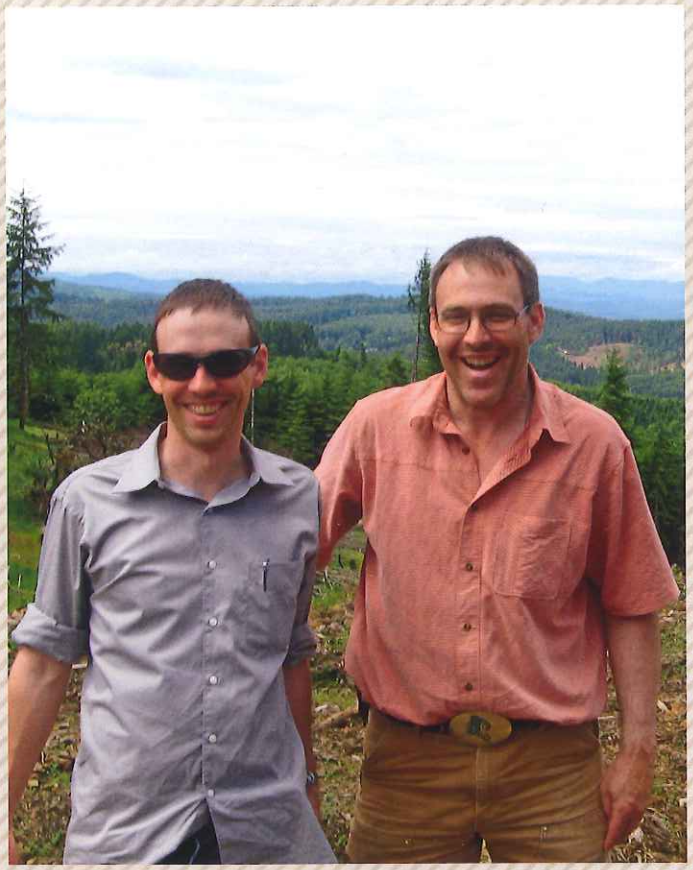
I was born and raised in California. I am the eldest of two kids, my sister is married with three children who are excited and praying for a new cousin! I am close with all three of my Aunts, my cousin Janon and her husband Mark.

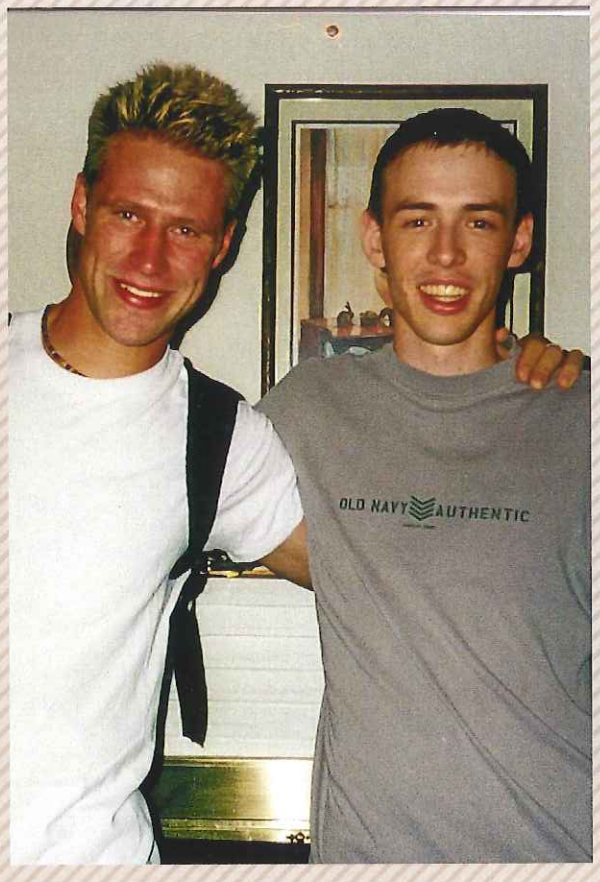
My Family Memories & Traditions Include:
Playing in the tree house while building on extensions
Enjoying nature with Mom
Camping out under the stars
Working on projects with Dad
Grandma's Christmas stockings that always overflowed
Family reunions at Aunt Barbara's house

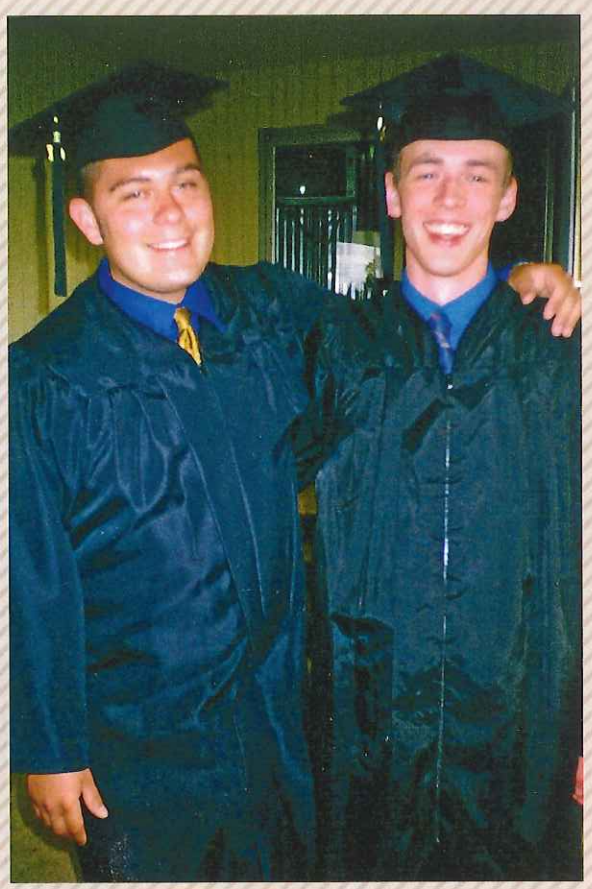
our friends are family too

Our friendships are important to us, they have walked with us through the years. They are the family we choose! They share in our joys and tears.

We have shared a many BBQ's, laughs, and concerts.







We cherish our time together, playing games, sharing holidays together when we aren't with family, and just have a good ol' time living life together! They are SO VERY excited to welcome this child into our family!

traditions

Christmas traditions:

* Tree hunting the day after Thanksgiving
* Holiday baking every year
* Sipping on eggnog and playing Christmas music while decorating the house

Summer traditions:

*Hiking
*Beach trips
*Gardening
*Canning peaches and tomatoes
*Southard girl's beach weekend

travels

*Exploring the great Northwest
*Traveling to see family, & friends,
*Visiting historical places in different cities or states.

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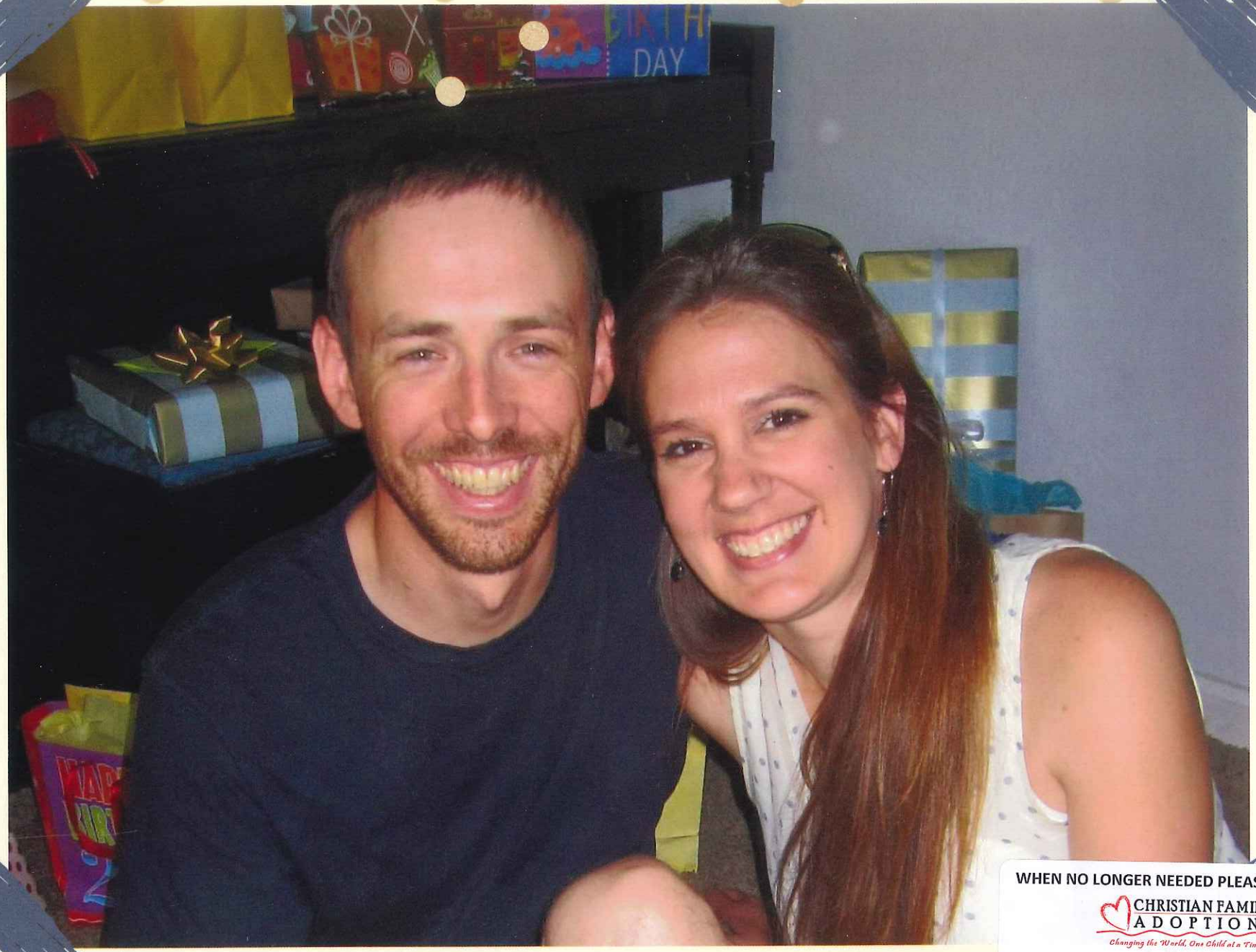
Thank you for exploring these pages of our life. We are so excited to become parents and the part you play in this with us! We commit to loving our child, to sharing about your incredible gift of life and love as we walk with them on this adventure called life. Our lives have been greatly blessed by our Heavenly Father and we know that our future children will bring many more blessings. We are honored by your time of getting to know our family through this book. Praying for strength, peace of mind and heart as you make this large decision.

Love, Brandon & Rebecca

This is the start
OF YOUR SWEET LITTLE STORY
The part where
YOUR PAGE MEETS MINE
No matter where your tale
TAKES YOU TOMORROW
Our story will always read
Love



"Be strong and courageous" Joshua 1:9

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