



*These individuals have met all requirements of the State of Michigan and of Catholic Charities West Michigan to become adoptive parents and are waiting to welcome a child into their home. If you would like more information about this family, please contact: Stephanie Busch | 616.356.6293 | pregnancy@ccwestmi.org*



Dear Birth Parents,

Thank you very much for taking the time to look at our profile and getting to know us. We admire the unconditional love for your child that you have shown by making the difficult but courageous decision to make an adoption plan. We want you to know that, though we have not yet met, we have been praying for you and your child.

**Our Story:** We met 18 years ago while in college, and almost immediately fell in love. After supporting each other through graduate school, Brandon graduated with his doctorate in physical therapy and Emily with her master's in physician assistant studies. We were married in the summer of 2008 and have since returned to West Michigan, where we have rooted ourselves in a quiet, family friendly neighborhood surrounded by several young families. In 2016, we were blessed to be able to adopt our precious daughter, Adalina. She has brought so much joy to our lives and to the lives of our friends and family. Our most recent addition is a petite goldendoodle, Bella. Bella is a fluffy, white bundle of love. She enjoys people of all ages and is always there for a good snuggle. We love to share life together as a family. We enjoy relaxing and spending time with friends and family as well as staying active and healthy. We enjoy biking, running, camping, and canoeing. We've also loved watching Adalina excel in gymnastics.

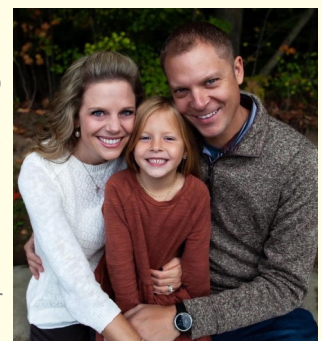
**About Emily (Written by Brandon):** Emily is the sweetest, most loving, kindest, most intelligent, gentlest, and most patient woman that I have ever met. Her loving nature is obvious, and for that reason people migrate toward her. I have always seen Emily as a natural caregiver, and seeing her with Adalina has been amazing. I can honestly say that I am blessed to be married to my best friend and am excited to grow our family together.

**About Brandon (Written by Emily):** Describing Brandon in a few sentences will not do him justice. He is strong and athletic, but also sensitive and compassionate. He fills the room with his personality and people of all ages connect with him. I am the lucky one who calls him my other half and have truly loved watching him be an amazing father. He encourages Adalina and me every day and is always there to support us.

**About Adalina :**Adalina is an active, creative, loving (almost) 7-year-old who has a zest for adventure. Her main mode of transportation is cartwheels, whether inside or out. Her sensitive and strong-willed nature will enable her to be a great big sister.

We are looking forward to expanding our family once again. We have so much love and a lifetime filled with happiness to offer another child. We're honored for you to be reading this and considering welcoming our families together. There are no words powerful enough to express the gratitude and admiration we share for you.

*With Love, Brandon, Emily and Adalina*



- Birth Year:**  
Brandon: 1980  
Emily: 1982
- Married:**  
14 Years
- Children in home:**  
One daughter
- Religion:**  
Christian
- Race/Ethnicity:**  
Parents: Caucasian
- Occupation:**  
Brandon:  
Physical Therapist  
Emily:  
Physician's Assistant
- Education:**  
Brandon: Master's Degree  
Emily: Master's Degree
- Hobbies & Interests:**  
Biking, Running, Camping,  
Canoeing
- Pets:**  
1 Dog (Golden Doodle)
- Husband & Wife are both non-smokers**