

JONATHAN AND JEN



Hi
MAMA!

We can't wait to meet you - the fact that you're reading this already means you are full of strength and love, and we admire that deeply!

Jonathan, Oliver, Archer and I are so excited to grow our family through adoption. We look forward to telling you more about how we got to this place, and why we think we are so lucky to even be considered by you in this way.

As we step into this next season, we hope you will invite us in to be part of your story. There is nothing we can or would even want to say in these pages that can convince you we will be the best parents to the child you're carrying. You'll just know. Trust yourself.

What we hope you'll see in us is openness to adoption being something beautiful in the midst of really it also being hard, our willingness to support you now and in the years ahead, and that we sincerely love Jesus and live our lives to reflect that. More than anything, we enjoy living life in a fun way and to its fullest!

We want you to know how much we admire you for considering adoption. We cannot know all the emotions you are feeling as you read this, but please hear we are committed to telling this baby how brave and selfless you are. Your love makes this life possible.

We are honored to carry this story and honored that you would consider us to be part of yours.

Love, Jennifer + Jonathan

OUR STORY

We met 14 years ago, when I started working on the same team as Jonathan. I worked for our church, and he ran the conferences for college students that our church hosted each year.

It didn't take long for him to ask me out on a date. We went on a few, but I quickly turned our relationship into the friend zone. Let's just say it was a rollercoaster of "are we interested or not" for both of us! It wasn't until almost 5 years later that I finally opened my eyes to what was right in front of me all along... my best friend and man I very obviously loved!

It's been over 8 years since the best 'yes' we could have ever made. We have lived a life of many mountaintops and valleys since then. We had our first son, Oliver, just one year after we got married, two years later we lost my mother to cancer and welcomed our second son Archer into the world. Just this past year, we have lost three babies to miscarriage and Jonathan's dad to a rare form of Alzheimer's. We have celebrated the highs and lows of life, but we have seen the goodness of God throughout each step, and we feel like the luckiest people in the world to do it with each other.

Becoming parents to our two boys has brought us some of the brightest moments in our lives. Oliver is smart, compassionate, and brings joy to every person he meets. Archer is hilarious, keeps us on our toes, and loves to live life to the fullest. Every day in our home is full on with two rowdy and wonderful boys. It's messy, often loud, and we wouldn't want it any other way!

When we lost our little girl at 20 weeks, I held her in my arms and wondered if God had gotten it wrong. We knew that it would be a special gift to raise a little girl, and that he had placed this desire on our hearts, but losing her didn't make sense at the time.



Through this loss and the two babies after, we are confident God hasn't forgotten us, and that our family has so much room to grow. We know that this desire we have is, God-willing, to be fulfilled through adoption, something we have talked about since dating and is the perfect next step for our family.

Our life is far from perfect, but we strive to have a home full of love, celebration, growth and encouragement. We hope and pray that you will be a part of this imperfect but beautiful story with us!



ABOUT JEN

FROM THE FIRST TIME I MET JEN, I WAS DRAWN TO HER INCREDIBLE CAPACITY TO WALK ALONGSIDE OTHERS DURING THEIR HIGHS AND LOWS.

During her time in student ministry, she guided young women through some of the most challenging moments of their lives, offering encouragement, grace, and unwavering support. That compassionate heart, her ability to truly listen and be present, is one of the things that first attracted me to her.

JEN IS NOT JUST COMPASSIONATE; SHE'S ALSO FULL OF LIFE AND ENERGY.

Whether she's behind the camera capturing the beauty that she innately sees in the world, or spending time with our boys, she brings her whole heart into everything. Her long, beautiful hair is something I can't help but admire, and it's just one part of her outward beauty that mirrors the depth and kindness inside.

She's also fiercely competitive! Few people know this, but she can beat me in darts (though I'll deny it if asked), and she reigns as the undisputed Uno Attack champion of our family. Those game nights are some of my favorite memories, where her playful spirit shines.

As a mother, Jen is incredible. The way she cares for Oliver and Archer, always tuned into their needs, makes me admire her more every day. I know she'll bring that same deep love and care to the new addition to our family, and I can't wait to see the bond she'll build with them.

OUR KIDS ARE BEYOND BLESSED TO HAVE HER AS THEIR MOM.



ABOUT JONATHAN

THE MOMENT I MET JONATHAN I WAS DRAWN TO HIS ABILITY TO DO EVERYTHING WITH CONFIDENCE AND EXCELLENCE.

His attention to detail and impressive memory has allowed him to make everyone in his path feel loved and remembered.

HE IS THE MOST POSITIVE PERSON I KNOW.

Seriously, some moments I just want to say "Can you be mad with me?!" It is something I admire so much in him. He is trustworthy, honest, and kind. 99% of the time he is the smartest person in the room, but his humility and eagerness to serve others usually shines above it all.

I didn't think it was possible, but my love for Jonathan exploded when he became a father. I count it as a huge honor to get to watch our boys look up to him, be loved by him, and want to be just like him. Seeing the love he had for our little girl, there is no doubt in my mind that he will thrive at the chance to raise the one who will join our family.

I am so grateful for how hard he works for our family. While he is the hardest worker I know, he will drop everything to pick up Oliver from school, join a doctor's appointment, take one of our boys to practice, or find adventures at the creek or park. He is the Saturday pancake maker, best story reader, and homemade pizza making coach. He is usually the more fun parent! I love that our parenting feels like a partnership, and Jonathan is eager to help carry the weight of parenting in every way!

Jonathan is an incredible Husband, best friend, and father. I cannot wait to see the connection that he makes with the child that we get to welcome into our home, and

HOW THEY WILL ONE DAY KNOW WHAT AN INCREDIBLE DADDY THEY HAVE TOO.



OUR FAMILY

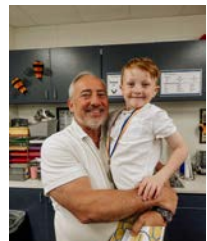


WE ARE LUCKY TO HAVE JONATHAN'S MOM live on the same property as us in a home that we could "throw a stone to". It is one of my favorite things to watch our boys run over in their pj's one morning for waffles, or sit on her porch for an afternoon snack.

They love their grammy more than anyone, and it has been the biggest gift to have her so close by since she moved from Savannah. Jonathan's brothers, one in Atlanta and one in Florida, both have two kids and nothing beats time with their cousins!



JENNIFER'S DAD, PAPA, also lives about 30 minutes away and the boys love him so much. With 5 grandsons, you can imagine how rowdy papa's house can be during the holidays! Jennifer has three brothers that all live close by, and are ready to take on the role as uncle to what would be the princess of the family!



HOME + NEIGHBORHOOD

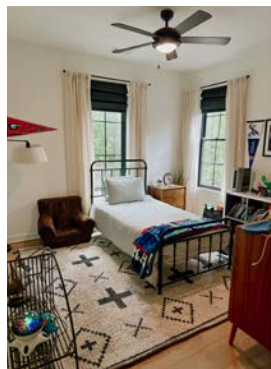
5 BEDROOM / 4.5 BATH

Our home was recently built by us, and is tucked away close to the base of a beautiful mountain and just a short drive to our downtown square.

With a large backyard with space for the kids to play and some best friends and neighbors on the same street, we feel like there is no better place for our kids to grow up.



OUR HOME



THE BOYS ROOMS

BACKYARD



WE LOVE
EXPLORING
OUR CITY!



THE
NURSERY
IN
PROGRESS!

OUR PEOPLE



FUN FACTS



Our pup's name is Geoffrey. He is a 7 year old Goldendoodle and is pretty much a life size bean bag for our boys. He loves to snuggle with any and everyone!



Jen loves Mexican food and would eat it 3 times a week if Jonathan would let her. (He would)

Jen was a ballerina growing up, but you wouldn't catch her trying now! Now you can just catch her with a good book in hand.

Jonathan is into technology and has our whole house controlled by an iPad that works...sometimes.



Jen loves watching HGTV and pretending she can flip a house in one hour too! But really, she finds decorating / renovating so fun, and has enjoyed building their home together!



Jen, Jonathan and the boys are all big Georgia Bulldog fans... you'll catch us on Saturdays in the fall cheering on the dawgs!

Jen is super outgoing and loves to be around people the majority of the time.



Jonathan is the opposite - he likes to be around a few close friends but stays away from crowds. Ironically, he also loves producing large events. 🙄

Jonathan has always wanted to be a pilot. Jen won't let him (nor does he have time) - but he makes up for this by listening to Air Traffic Control in his spare time.



OUR PROMISE

We promise to honor you with our words and actions.

We promise to admit when we are wrong, to say sorry, and learn from our mistakes. We will always choose forgiveness.

We promise this child's adoption story will be shared and open from the beginning, as we have seen the power honesty has in building trust.

We promise to do everything we can to encourage and champion this child in growing into the incredible person God made them to be.

We promise not to shy away from hard conversations, but choose listen first and be intentional in our response.

We promise to have fun together and make beautiful memories.

We promise we to love this child with our whole heart, unconditionally, for the entirety of their life.

