



**GLENN** *and* **BEN**

WE LOVED YOU  
BEFORE WE  
KNEW YOU.  
EVEN WHEN THERE  
WAS JUST  
*a hope for you*  
WE LOVED YOU.







# hi there!

## IT'S SO NICE TO MEET YOU!

We're so grateful that you're taking the time to get to know us little by little through each page of our profile. We look forward to getting to know you as well! It's a challenge to try to squeeze everything about us into this short book, but we hope that you'll get a glimpse into our world. At a glance, we're a fun-spirited, world-traveling, and welcoming couple who has so much love to give.

**Above all else, we want you to know that we've essentially been preparing for this chapter of our lives to become parents as early as our very first date when we spoke about our desires for parenthood.**

We can't possibly know what you're thinking and feeling right now (and we won't pretend to), but we hope you feel the love and warmth that we have for you as you're making this brave and loving decision for your baby. We're aware that you know what's best for your baby, and we hope to support you along your journey regardless of what decision you make.

*all our love,* **GLENN & BEN**



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# Our story

## MODERN DAY LOVE STORY

We met online in 2017 and talked for about a week before meeting in person. For our first date, we met at a local Italian restaurant, where we spoke about everything under the sun, including our plans to build a family through adoption. After dinner, we saw Mamma Mia at a local community theater and then talked for a few more hours.



## ENGAGEMENT + WEDDING

Fast forward to 2018, Ben proposed to Glenn at the beach where Ben's parents have had a house since he was born. We agreed to an extended engagement and planned to get married in 2020. We were married in front of 120 of our closest family and friends in the most beautiful ceremony either of us could've ever imagined.

## HAPPILY EVER AFTER

We purchased our home in 2022 and have been focused on doing some renovations and making it our own. Our home is now ready for kids, which we are so excited to welcome with open arms. We have loved the life we have created and are so excited to see what the future holds!





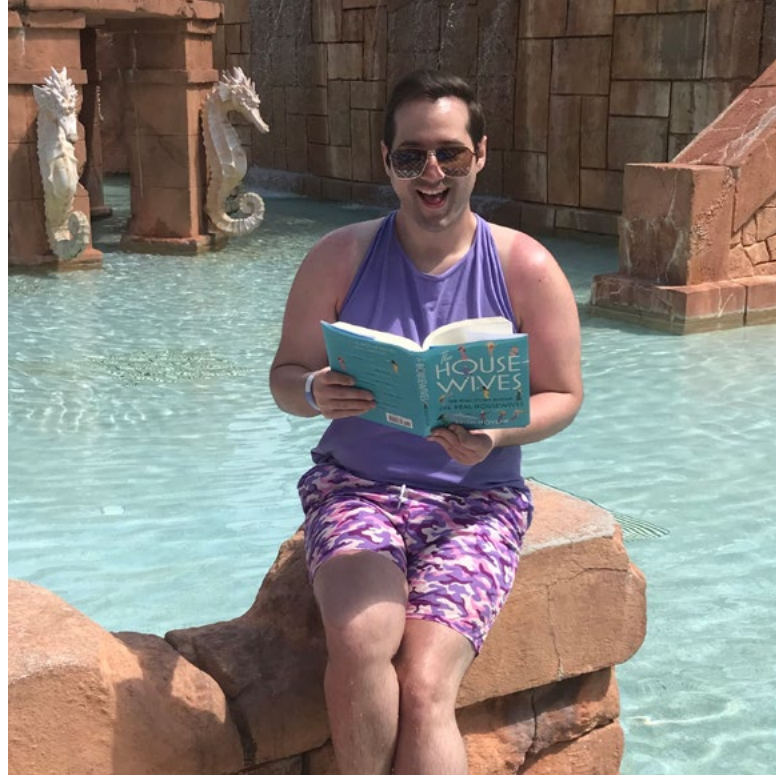
# *Why adoption?*

## **WE BOTH HAVE ALWAYS DREAMED OF HAVING CHILDREN.**

We always knew that adoption was the pathway to parenthood for our family. Each chapter of our life together has been a stepping stone to this very moment. We're a very sentimental family, and so many of our decisions in life have been made with children in mind. We can't wait to be parents to experience all of life's moments with them, whether it's a dance recital, sporting events, music lessons, traveling the world to experience new cultures, or our local farmer's market on a Saturday morning. We're honored that adoption will be part of our story.



# meet Glenn FROM BEN'S EYES



## GLENN IS THE MOST THOUGHTFUL PERSON I KNOW.

He always puts others' needs above his own and will be the best father. Everyone who knows Glenn also describes him as being a bit sassy and witty. This makes him loveable to all due to his authenticity. Among his friends, Glenn is considered the social butterfly, and everyone is drawn to his infectious energy. Glenn earned his Bachelor's in Psychology and Master's in Counseling. Glenn has worked with children and families throughout his career as a mental health therapist to assist in improved mental health wellness, family relationships, etc., which has truly fostered his passion for others' well-being.

**Glenn has dreamed of being a father for his entire life, and I know this will be the title he will wear most proudly. He will be caring, serve as the best role model, and instill behaviors that will set our child up for much success in life. Glenn plans to stay at home with our child to ensure all of their needs are met. It will be one of my greatest joys to see Glenn become a father.**



## *meet Ben* FROM GLENN'S EYES

### **BEN IS ONE OF THE SWEETEST, MOST CARING, AND ACCOMPLISHED PEOPLE I'VE EVER KNOWN.**

While he's serious-natured, he fully believes in not taking life too seriously. One common thing you'll hear from anyone who has met Ben is that his iconic laugh is contagious. Ben always puts his family first and ensures that others' needs are met before himself. Ben doesn't meet a stranger as he is friendly to all and makes even the most guarded feel comfortable. He always fully commits to anything that he puts his mind to. Ben obtained his Bachelor's in Management and Master of Business Administration. Ben has worked in financial services for his entire career.

**I know that he will make such a wonderful father as he loves with his whole heart, creates safety, and is so encouraging to all. He will be such a terrific role model as a father as he will work to showcase his golden values. He's such a generous person and enjoys giving back to the community.**







# *Our home*

**WE LOVE OUR HOME, WHICH WE'VE  
BEEN IN FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS.**

We live in a small, secluded neighborhood in the southern suburbs of Charlotte with a total of seven homes that are surrounded by nature. Our home has four bedrooms, which are being prepared for our future kids. It has multiple flex spaces, including a room that will be used as a dedicated playroom. Our yard is close to an acre and offers ample space to play outdoors. We knew that this home was meant for our family when we toured the house. We have some of the most friendly neighbors who make surprise visits with banana pudding, homemade bread, or even chicken and dumplings. Our home is located in the cul-de-sac, and our neighborhood can be seen with families of deer roaming through our yards throughout the day and evening.





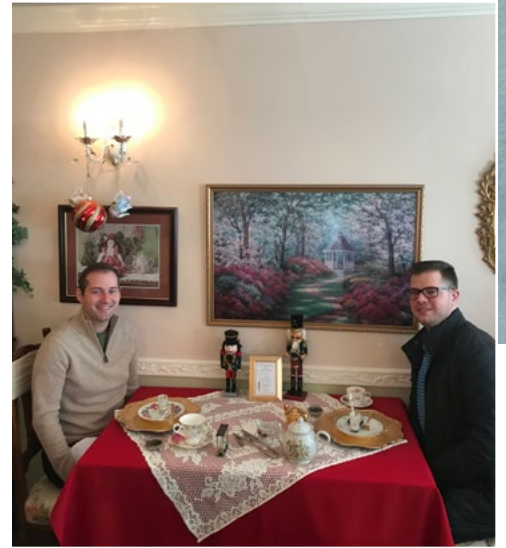
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# Things we love

CHRISTIAN FAITH • SPENDING TIME WITH  
FAMILY & FRIENDS • OUR GODSONS



GOING TO THE BEACH • HOLIDAY TRADITIONS  
• TRAVELING & ADVENTURES



SHOPPING & ANTIQUING • READING •  
BAKING • TRYING NEW RESTAURANTS





## Our friends

**We firmly believe that friends are an extension of our family - a chosen family if you may.** We're so thankful that God has allowed us to cross paths with such amazing people who we call our friends. Our friend group is comprised of a diverse group of the most caring individuals who always show up to support one another. Our friends have been so supportive during our adoption journey and are so excited to shower your child with love, acceptance, and welcoming arms. Our friends love any excuse to get together, and we love hosting dinner parties. They say that raising a child takes a village, and we're so thankful for our village of family and friends, who are more than ready for the assignment.





## Our pup



### GLENN RESCUED DUCHESS WHEN SHE WAS JUST FOUR MONTHS OLD.

Ben entered Duchess' life when she was nine months old. Duchess is a Miniature Pinscher who has loads of energy that results in her getting the zoomies around the house, but she also equally enjoys her numerous naps throughout the day. Duchess thinks that every guest, delivery driver, and passing neighbor is there for her. She is super friendly and loves to meet new people.

**Duchess is great with children of all ages as she's been around children almost all of her lifetime.**

Duchess has just turned eight years old, but she still encompasses the spirit of her puppyhood.







IN THIS *family* we...

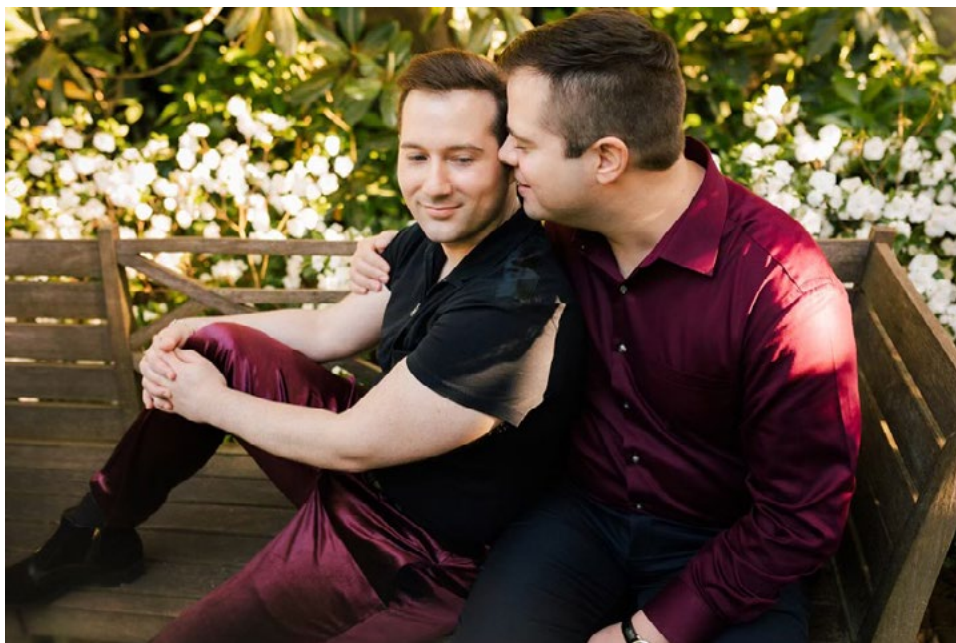
LOVE UNCONDITIONALLY

HELP OTHERS IN OUR COMMUNITY

GO ON ADVENTURES

BELIEVE IN CELEBRATING LIFE'S  
MOMENTS (BIG AND SMALL)

HAVE FUN AND TRY NOT TO  
TAKE OURSELVES TOO SERIOUSLY





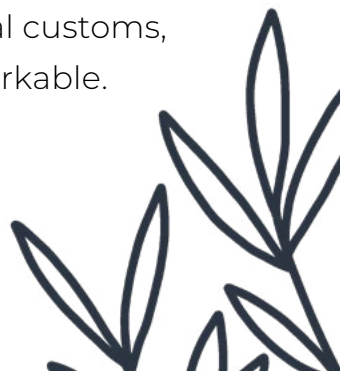


## *Our travels*

### **TO SAY THAT WE LOVE TO TRAVEL IS AN UNDERSTATEMENT.**

Combined, we have been to 31  
U.S. states and 27 countries abroad!

Both of us established a passion  
for travel at a young age. While most  
of our travel has been with family and  
friends, we have both traveled as part  
of our educational experiences as  
well. Glenn studied abroad in Australia  
and Ben completed an international  
field experience in Bolivia and Peru.  
These experiences, while completely  
different, offered us a glimpse into how  
others live, including local customs,  
which was truly remarkable.





When we're not traveling abroad, we're headed to destinations close to home.

We enjoy going to Ben's family's beach house, the mountains, or to stay with family and friends. We recently returned from our anniversary trip to the mountains, which was a blast! **We're so excited to share this passion with our kids and let them experience the world and gain new perspectives through travel.**



**OH,** *the places you'll go!*



# Ten fun facts

1. OUR FIRST DATE IN 2017  
LASTED OVER 7 HOURS.

2. WE BOTH LOVE LIVE  
MUSIC. GLENN'S FIRST  
CONCERT WAS BRITNEY  
SPEARS AND BEN'S FAVORITE  
BAND IS *THE SCRIPT*.

3. WE BOTH STARTED  
WORKING IN HIGH SCHOOL.  
GLENN'S FIRST JOB WAS AT  
COLD STONE CREAMERY  
AND BEN'S FIRST JOB WAS  
AT PIGGLY WIGGLY.

4. OUR FIRST INTERNATIONAL  
TRIP TOGETHER WAS TO  
THE BAHAMAS (VIA  
SEAPLANE) AND OUR  
LONGEST FLIGHT TOGETHER  
WAS ABOUT 14 HOURS!

5. WE BOTH WERE BROUGHT  
UP IN THE CHURCH AND OUR  
FAITH HAS STRENGTHENED  
OVER TIME.





6. GLENN WATCHES  
REALITY TV TO UNWIND  
AND ENJOYS OBSERVING THE  
DRAMA THAT UNFOLDS ON  
*THE REAL HOUSEWIVES*  
FRANCHISE ON BRAVO.

7. GLENN IS CREATIVE AND  
ENJOYS CRAFTING AND  
EMBROIDERING. HE'S  
CURRENTLY TRYING TO GET  
INTO NEEDLEPOINT.

8. BEN GREW UP ON A FARM  
WITH CHICKENS, DUCKS,  
GOATS, COWS, AND  
HORSES. HE HAD HIS  
OWN HORSE WHEN HE  
WAS A CHILD.

9. WE BOTH ENJOY QUALITY  
TIME AS OUR PRIMARY LOVE  
LANGUAGE. WE ENJOY  
SPENDING TIME TOGETHER  
AS A FAMILY AND LOOK  
FORWARD TO DOING THE  
SAME WITH OUR FUTURE KIDS!

10. BEN ENJOYS A GOOD CUP  
OF COFFEE AND STARTS HIS  
DAY WITH A CUP (OR TWO).







## *Our extended family*

### **WE BOTH ARE SUPER CLOSE WITH OUR FAMILIES!**

They have served as role models in our lives who have taught us the true meaning of unconditional love through their actions. Ben has a large extended family, while Glenn's family is small but mighty. With Ben's family, we enjoy going to the beach/trips, musical productions, and meals (his family's love language is food).



With Glenn's family, we enjoy hosting them on their visits to our home, Costco trips with his Mom, visiting with his Nan, and our annual trip to celebrate Christmas. When we're not together you can find us on the phone or FaceTiming with our family. We acknowledge that we're truly blessed to have the support system that they provide and look forward to making many more memories in the years to come with our growing family.



**Our families are beyond excited to welcome you and your child into our lives!**





# Our promises

IF YOU CHOOSE TO ENTRUST US WITH  
RAISING YOUR BABY, WE PROMISE  
THESE THINGS TO YOU:

**We promise to** always put your child's wellbeing first and love them unconditionally for all the days of their life.

**We promise to** provide a warm, loving home for your child surrounded by caring family and friends.

**We promise to** ensure your child is awarded with every possible opportunity through our great schools, endless extracurricular activities, community events, and diverse neighbors.

**We promise to** instill values of being kind, staying humble, serving others, working hard, and enjoying the simple things in life.

**We promise to** speak openly about adoption with your child and their adoption story.

**We promise to** keep the door open for whatever relationship you feel most comfortable with.

*all our love,* **GLENN & BEN**

Thank you again for taking the time to get to know us. We  
look forward to the chance to get to know you, too!







*Thank you!*