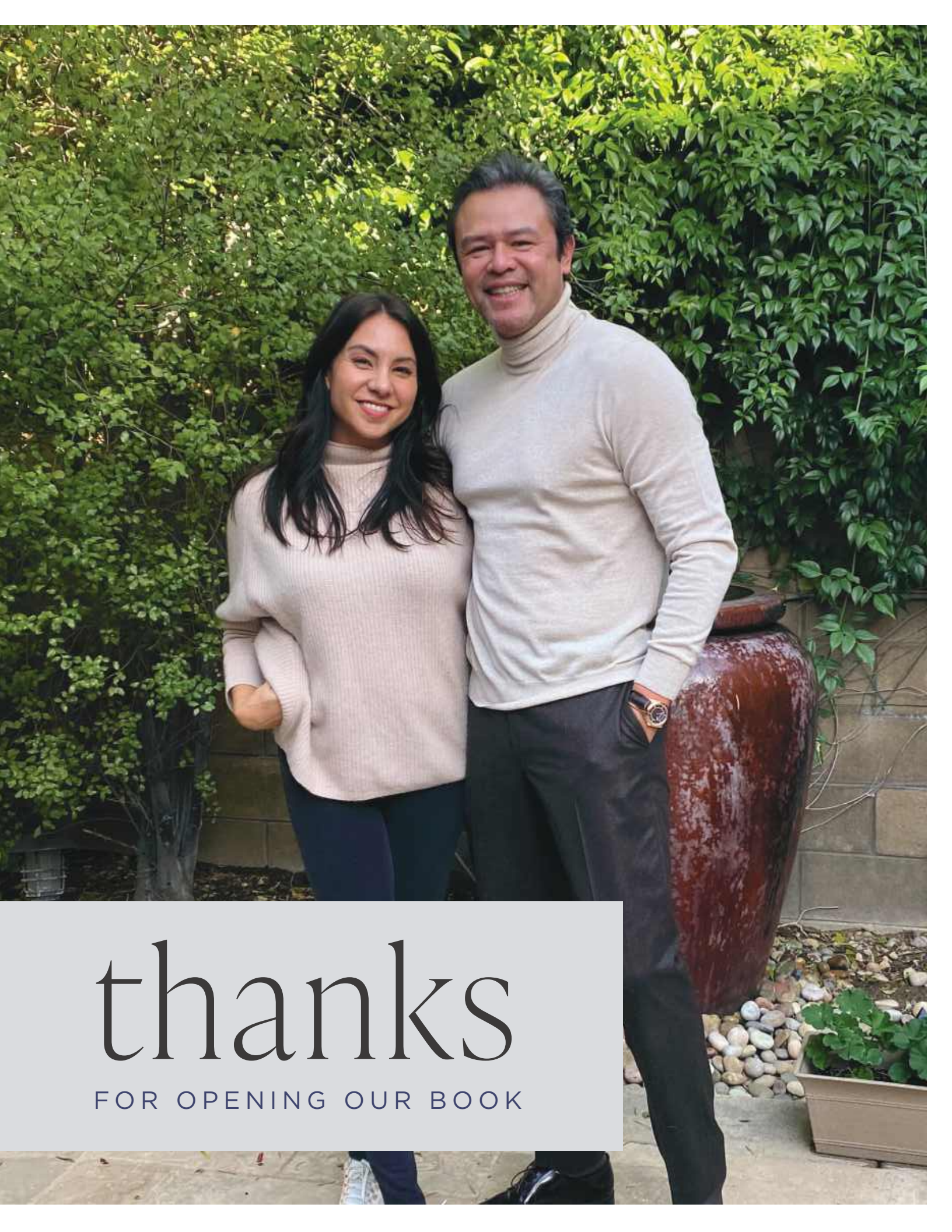




genevieve
& patrick



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FOR OPENING OUR BOOK



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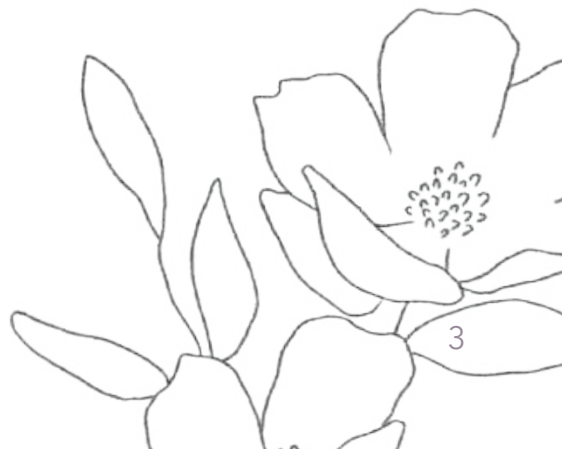
IT'S NICE TO "MEET" YOU

We want to begin by expressing our deepest gratitude for the courage and love you are showing at this time in your life. We understand that the decision to consider placing your child up for adoption is one of the hardest choices a mother can face. We hope you can see the love that we have to give, and that our profile brings you comfort as you carefully and lovingly consider your options.

Allow us to introduce ourselves – Patrick and Genevieve. We got married 10 years ago and those years have brought a joy of travel, exploring new places, and experiencing different cultures. We are successful entrepreneurs who have built a stable life, allowing us the flexibility to dedicate ourselves fully to raising a child. **Our home is filled with love, laughter, and the companionship of our beloved dog, who is considered part of our family.** We believe in fostering an environment of kindness, curiosity, and adventure, where a child can grow up feeling safe, loved, and supported in every way. We tried for years to conceive, and then turned to IVF, but discovered we were unable to conceive due to infertility. We still want to share our blessings and are committed to providing a nurturing space where your child can develop their unique talents and personality.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for considering us as potential adoptive parents. We understand raising a child is a gift that we do not take lightly. We promise to cherish, protect, and nurture your little one with all our hearts, helping them grow into a confident, happy, and kind individual.

Patrick + Genevieve





“We are both so proud of the life we have built together.”



coming together from across the world

We never would have imagined that a girl raised in small-town Apple Valley, California—born to two hardworking immigrant parents—would fall in love with a tall, pro basketball player from Cebu City, Philippines, thousands of miles away.

We first met as entrepreneurs in Las Vegas, both with careers in the healthcare field. I (Genevieve) owned a home health care company and met Patrick because he ran a staffing agency for home health care companies that I used. My first impression of Patrick was that he was professional and kind. And my (Patrick's) first impression was that Gen was beautiful and passionate. **This working relationship turned into the beginning of a great friendship.** After some time, we sat down and talked openly about our relationship, and we knew we were going to be together forever. Three years later, we eloped during the summer of 2015. It was wonderful!



One of the best decisions we have made was becoming business partners ten years ago. This has involved much vision casting, open communication, and consistent support for each other day in and day out. **We credit much of our success to the partnership we have, both at home and at work.** We are both so proud of the life we have built together. It has been filled to the brim with beauty and adventure. Our three main loves are: our dogs, traveling the world, and discovering new foods. For many years, we have wished for a baby and have planned and planned—always keeping an extra bedroom just in case! **We couldn't be more ready, and are so excited to adopt!**



why we are adopting

We have always wanted a family and have imagined adoption as part of our future. I (Genevieve) have an adopted cousin who has shaped much of my understanding of the perspective of adoptees. Over the years, Patrick and I have talked extensively about the meaning of family—whether our children come biologically or through adoption has never been a concern. **Our simple desire is to nurture the next generation by guiding them to become kind and productive members of their community.** This means doing our best so that our child will have everything they need—including opportunities to see the world, receive the best education, and grow in their passions. They will never run out of love from us or their extended family, and they will know from the start about their birth parents. Having this child know that they are loved by their birth family, as well as their adopted family, will hopefully create the environment we dream about giving a child. **We are very excited to start this next phase of our lives.**



FRIENDS SAY I AM:
Determined, Loyal, Motivated

MY FAVORITE MOVIE:
Cinema Paradiso

MY FAVORITE MEMORY:
Running down Laguna Beach with the dogs.

I AM MOST INSPIRED BY:
People who make great sacrifices for the
benefit of others.



As we prepare to become parents, I cannot wait to learn what our child is passionate about and who they become. I want to introduce them to new places, see things through their eyes, and watch them glisten with wonder and excitement as we explore the world together.



meet genevieve

My mother immigrated from the Philippines, and my father is from Ireland. They met in New York City while she was getting her law degree and he was finishing his residency. They raised three children in California while pursuing the American Dream and gave my siblings and me all the opportunities this country could provide. I was very blessed to have an idyllic upbringing with memories of going to get burgers at In-N-Out after church, trips to bookstores, Saturday morning soccer games at the park, and a great education. I recognize the opportunities and sacrifices my parents made for us, and I want to share these opportunities with my children. I hope to be as successful as my parents were in doing that.

I own a home health care company alongside Patrick, named after my father's childhood home in Ireland. I can thank my father for passing along his passion for health care to me, as well as his father, who passed his love of medicine on to him. It's my greatest joy to see people improve from our care and witness our team of nurses and therapists give of themselves so selflessly.

When I'm not working, one of my favorite things to do is drive along the California coast, searching for a great restaurant and enjoying the vistas with my husband and our dog.



GENEVIEVE LOVES:

- Tennis
- Cooking
- Traveling
- Dogs
- Reading



GENEVIEVE IN PATRICK'S WORDS

"Genevieve is kind and thoughtful. She takes care of me, her family, her friends, and her employees. The way she cares for those around her is going to make her a wonderful and supportive mother."



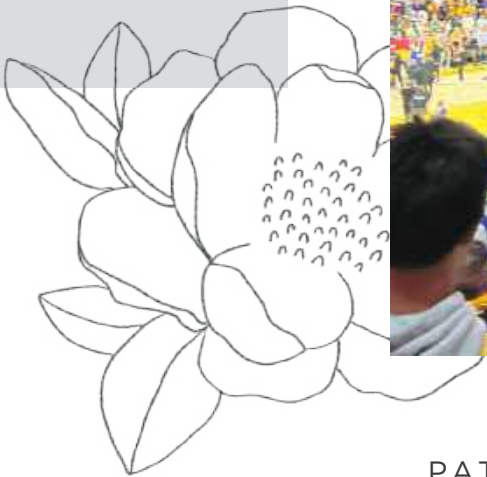


FRIENDS SAY I AM:
Focused, Fun-loving, Authentic

MY FAVORITE MOVIE:
Anything with James Bond

MY FAVORITE PLACE ON EARTH:
Madrid, Spain

MY PROUDEST ACCOMPLISHMENT:
Building a business with Genevieve in three states.



meet patrick

I grew up in Cebu City, Philippines, surrounded by family. I was a tall kid, and a lot of my family members were big fans of basketball, so I started playing at a young age. My love for basketball paid for my college tuition, where I studied engineering, and eventually allowed me to play on the Philippines’ pro league team. I also played for the national team and travelled around the world representing my country. This was perhaps how my love of travel began.

After basketball, I became an entrepreneur here in the United States. I felt that I could use the fundamentals I learned through team sports to run a successful business. I fell into the healthcare field by accident, as I had a lot of family in the industry, but it has been one of the best decisions I’ve made. It’s amazing to look back on my life and see the success I’ve had in sports, my career, and my marriage. Now is the time to give back to the next generation.

Nothing would mean more than having the opportunity to pass on the life lessons, both my failures and successes, to a child. I’ve been very fortunate so far and can’t wait to take my child to their first Warriors basketball game, introduce them to the arts, museums, musicals, and cars. I look forward to nights at home, helping them build their first LEGO set, and taking trips wherever a plane can take us.



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PATRICK IN GENEVIEVE’S WORDS

“All the reasons Patrick makes a great husband are the reasons he will make a great parent. He is fiercely protective, adventurous, and kind. He tries to uplift his community and take care of those in need. And most of all, he is supportive and my biggest champion. If my goal is to make a pie, he makes sure I have all the ingredients. If my goal is to buy a company, he is making sure all of the groundwork is in place. I can see him championing his child this way, making sure his child is successful and attains their dreams no matter how big or small.”

PATRICK LOVES:

Golf • F-1 racing • Cars • My dog • Legos





the life we've built

OUR TRAVELS: We have been to every continent except Antarctica. Our favorites have been touring Egypt—a huge bucket list item—and Istanbul, Turkey, which was so beautiful we had to go back a second time. **When we travel, we like to take our time, staying in one hotel off the beaten path for a few weeks, going to local restaurants, visiting the grocery stores, and cooking for ourselves every now and then.** It's so fun learning new phrases of language from the places we visit, and taking long walks to discover the area, usually followed by a long nap.

OUR TRADITIONS: Christmas is a big holiday for our family. We often have family in town from the Philippines, so there are a lot of people coming and going. **We get a giant tree and have fun decorating it and the house.** There are friends and family over every night of the week. It's a great big party! Patrick and I also plan large trips for our birthdays; we each get a turn choosing where in the world we want to go! **We are excited to carry on these traditions with our child.**



A TYPICAL WEEKEND: Fridays are for discovering new food out on the town with friends. **Saturdays are for early morning walks with Duke to the coffee shop and a stroll around the park.** Sundays are for quietly catching up on errands and laundry around the house, and a family meal in the afternoon.

OUR PLANS FOR CHILDCARE: **We both plan on taking a few months off from work when the baby arrives.** Genevieve will then work from home, and we will hire a full-time nanny to help, as well. Both of our mothers have expressed interest in spending an extended period of time with us to support us in any way necessary.



this is our home



We live in Las Vegas, Nevada, and have a second home in San Francisco, California. Our Las Vegas home has three bedrooms, four bathrooms, and a gym, which can be converted into a child's playroom. As you walk through our house, you'll notice it's full of art and books. **We spend the most time in the kitchen; I love to cook, and Patrick loves to eat!** The second most used space is the backyard. The dining room opens up to a large covered patio where we love to sit and work together in the early mornings. **Our house has become a perfect respite at the end of the day, a place to read a book, listen to the birds sing, have friends over to enjoy a meal, or enjoy quiet moments with the dog.** We chose the second bedroom upstairs as the nursery. It has great natural light and has plenty of space for them to grow into.

Our neighborhood is a very small, hidden community in the central part of town on a quiet gated street. **Right around the corner is a large park with a children's playground.** We have gotten to know all the members of the community who use the park on our daily walks: fellow walkers, dog owners, and families.

We spend half the year in our small condo located in San Francisco, which has an extra bedroom perfect for our child to grow into. **We love this vibrant city because it's walkable and has an abundance of parks and coffee shops.**



our dog

MEET DUKE

Duke is our senior dog who loves to sleep. He is very friendly and loves belly rubs. He is fiercely loyal and loves following his humans around the house. He cannot move very well, but demands walks—slow, short walks. **Did we say he likes to cuddle? He and the baby will share lots of naps and snuggles together, we're sure of it.**



meet our beautiful family

GENEVIEVE'S FAMILY: I am very close to my family despite the distance. I have two siblings, a younger sister who lives in the Philippines, and a younger brother who lives in Northern California. My mother lives with my sister in the Philippines, and my father died a few years ago. My brother and his wife have two young children who can't wait to have a baby cousin. **When we are in San Francisco, they come to the city at least once a month and will be a big part of our child's life.** My sister, her husband, and my mother come to the States at least once a year, and we typically visit them in the Philippines a couple of times a year. **I consider my sister my best friend and can't wait for her to meet our child.**



PATRICK'S FAMILY: I have one younger brother whom I am very close to. He and his wife have four children, ranging in age from their mid-twenties to thirteen years old. My brother works for our business as a salesperson, so we see him and his family often. His wife is a nurse, and both she and their eldest son have worked for our company in the past. They are all fun-loving and hard-working, and will be great influences on our child. **My mother lives with my brother, so when we visit, it's a typical Filipino gathering—lots of food and lots of relatives!** My father lives in Los Angeles, so we don't see him as often as we'd like. We speak on the phone frequently, however, and he will be in our child's life.

the values we live by

WE LOVE CHASING
ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME
EXPERIENCES.

WE HELP THOSE IN NEED.

WE VALUE FAMILY AND
FRIENDSHIP.

WE DO WHAT WE SAY WE
ARE GOING TO DO.





before you go...

Thank you for taking the time to get to know us. It was difficult putting this book together as all we have are pictures of our many dogs (some not with us anymore)! We hope one day to have nothing but pictures of a little baby filling our phones (with his or her pet sibling of course).

IN THINKING ABOUT YOUR CHILD'S FUTURE; WE CAN COMMIT TO:

- Making sure they want for nothing. **We both believe in the power of education, great healthcare (as we both work in the industry), and seeing the world.** We cannot wait to see the world through their eyes.
- **Supporting and loving your child in whatever they want to pursue in life.** We come from very different backgrounds, one a sports fanatic the other a bookworm, two different parts of the world with vastly different world views. We know that pursuing passions is easier with support and understanding. If they love sports, we will be at every game. If they are into arts, dance, or music we will make sure we drive them to every class, camp, and load up on the instruments of their choice!
- Open and honest communication. Without these principles, I don't know if we could stay married and work together for the last decade. Being vulnerable, admitting when you are wrong and seeking help, are pillars of our success and we hope to pass those pillars on to your child and yourself. **We hope to grow in our relationship with you and desire an open adoption that evolves over time.**

A mentor once reminded us: the word "deserve" is Latin- it means "to serve completely" which later evolved to "be worthy of". We hope that we have worked long and hard to be worthy of your trust in placing this child in our care. We cannot wait to meet you and your baby.

Patrick + Genevieve

