CHRISTINE



DEAR BIRTH MOTHER,

Hi there! MY NAME IS

CHRISTINE

FROM FLORIDA ALONG WITH
MY DAUGHTER, AVIELLE



I AM IN AWE OF THE
STRENGTH + DEEP LOVE
THAT HAS BROUGHT YOU
TO THIS ADOPTION!

My hope is that you will feel an amazing peace when you find the right adoptive family for your child.

I am very excited and honored to be considered as a prospective adoptive parent. My 3 year old daughter Avielle (AKA Avi) is adopted, and I am thrilled at the idea of her being a big sister. **I love being her mom, and I am delighted at the opportunity to welcome another beautiful child into our home.**





Top 5 things

I WILL TEACH

my

future child:

1. To show compassion towards all people
2. How to know and follow their dreams
3. The immeasurable depths of their intrinsic value
4. The beauty of their adoption story and birth family
5. To love learning

HOBBIES and INTERESTS

I look forward to sharing my love of art, music, nature, traveling, and reading with my child



HIKING IN ARCHES NATIONAL PARK



I FOUND A READING BUDDY IN PRAGUE!



VISITING THE TROLL AT A NORDIC CENTER IN OREGON

Reading

Reading has always been a passion for me. The Alchemist is one of my favorite books. I also enjoy Rupi Kaur's poetry. My love for reading naturally overflows into my daughter's life. We have a bookshelf full of children's books, and we read together daily. I also take her to the library at least once monthly to borrow books.

Travel

I try to travel either domestically or internationally every year. Japan is probably the most interesting place I've been to so far. Most recently, Avi and I traveled to Oregon to visit my close friend, Rekha, who just had a baby.

Music + Art

Music and art are important parts of my life as well. Drawing and playing the piano have always been therapeutic hobbies for me. I still have my childhood piano, and I would be happy to teach my kids how to play it if they're interested.


GIGGLES ALL DAY


VISITING OUR WEST COAST FRIENDS


PARK DAY

5 things that

MAKE ME HAPPY

Being in nature

My daughter's infectious giggle

My first cup of coffee in the morning

When a stranger does something kind

My dog Mia's cold nose in my face

MY FAITH

I have loved the community and relationships that I have built at my church in Florida. We do community service with the church, and I make Sunday morning coffee for the attendees. **I've developed close friendships with some of the moms in the church, and we often do playdates together with our kids.**


PLAYTIME

WELCOME TO MY

HOME AND COMMUNITY

We live right outside of

TAMPA, FL.


ME AND MY DOG MIA OUTSIDE THE HOUSE

It's a lovely area with plenty of sunshine, mild winters, and a short drive to the beach. **I'm a proud owner of a beautiful home in a very family friendly neighborhood.** The neighborhood is walkable and has lots of playgrounds, dog parks, trees, athletic courts, and fields.


HOME SWEET HOME


POOL DAY WITH GRANDMA AND GRANDPA


ZOO TRIP


PLAYGROUND BY THE HOUSE

3 things

I LOVE ABOUT WHERE I LIVE

The Tampa Zoo

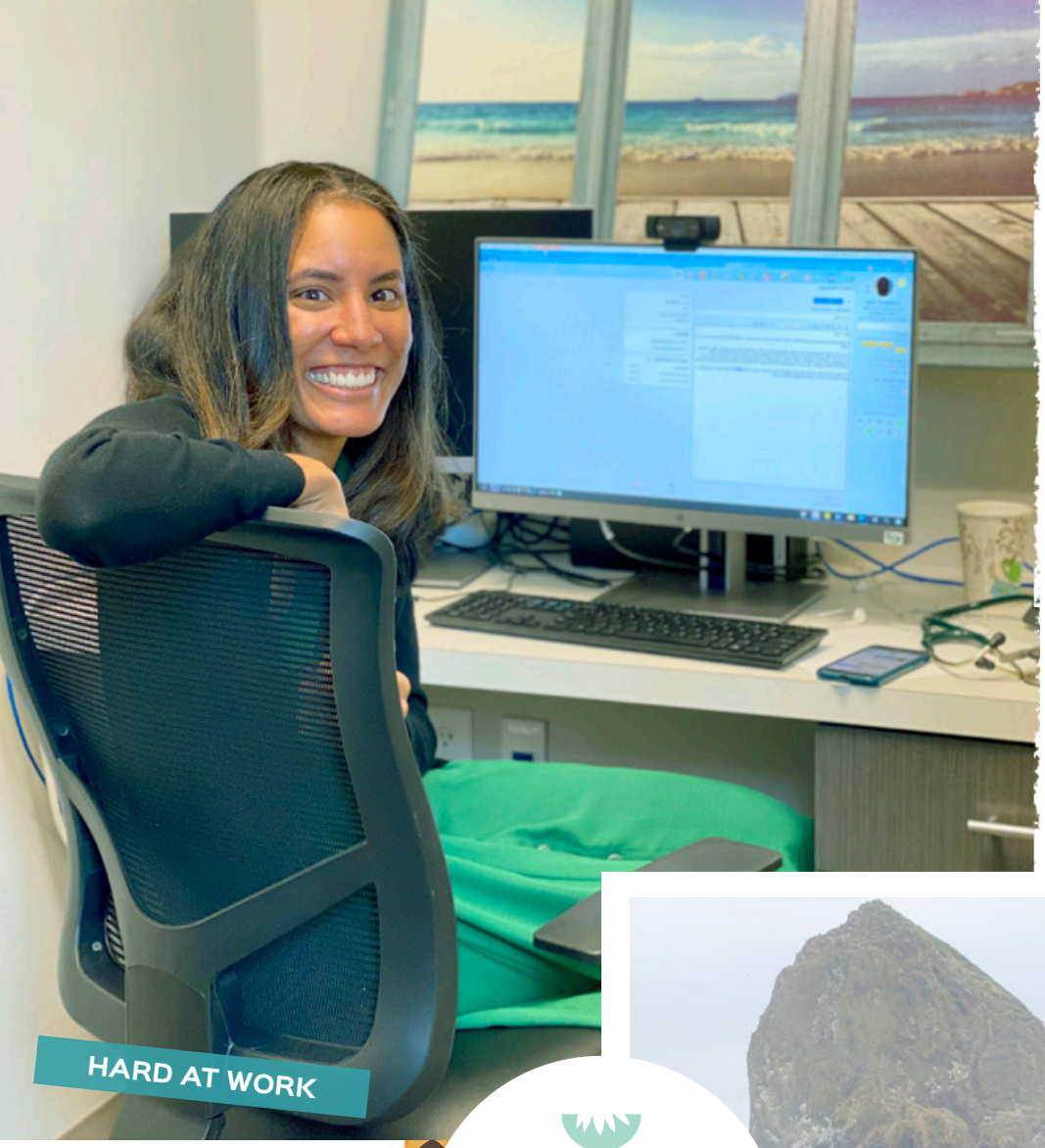
the giraffes and monkeys are our favorite animals to visit at the zoo. There is also a big splash pad at the zoo that Avi enjoys playing in after a few hours of hiking around the zoo.

The Library

We regularly attend storytimes and other events at our local library.

Beaches and Pools

We have so many beautiful beaches near us. We like to pack up a picnic lunch and spend a few hours in the sun. My parents also have a pool that we use often.

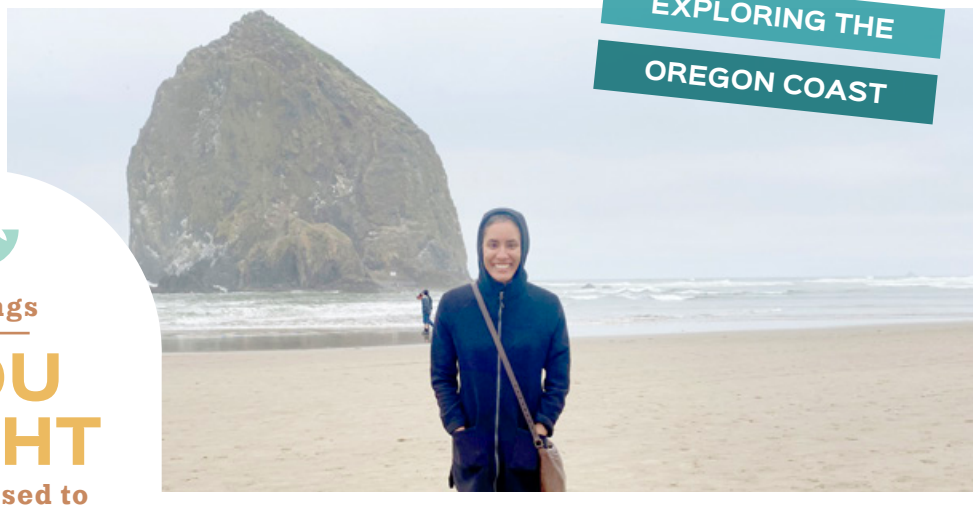


HARD AT WORK

MY CAREER

BEING A PRIMARY CARE DOCTOR SUITS ME SO WELL.

I love the relationships that I have formed with my patients and the staff at my clinic. It's a joy to be able to coach people into a healthier life, and I am honored to support my patients through many difficult phases of their lives.



EXPLORING THE OREGON COAST



5 things

YOU MIGHT

be surprised to know about me



- My parents are Jamaican
- I was home-schooled all the way through elementary and middle scho
- As a child, my dream was to become a children's book illustrator
- I can make a brussel sprout dish that nobody hates
- I'm an INFP, which is one of the rarest Meyers-Briggs personality types

WE LOVE BABY CUDDLES





MY FAVORITE BRUNCH BUDDY

FUTURE BIG SISTER

MEET AVIELLE

AVIELLE

is my loving, energetic, happy, intelligent 3 year old daughter.

She asks more questions than I can count every day, and she has ideas and opinions about everything in her world. Her sense of humor keeps me laughing, and her energy keeps me moving. Yet, despite all of this energy, she is also happy to cuddle up on the couch with me to read books or go out on the patio to paint pictures. **I am very open with Avielle about her adoption story, and I send her bio mom pictures and updates once a month.**





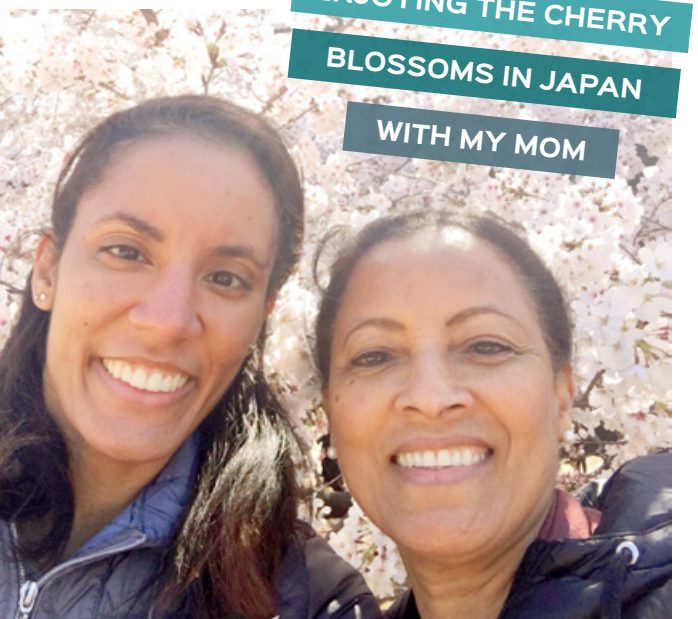
ENJOYING THE GARDEN

Meet my FAMILY + FRIENDS

MY FAMILY IS SUCH A BIG PART OF MY LIFE.



CHRISTMASTIME WITH FAMILY



ENJOYING THE CHERRY BLOSSOMS IN JAPAN WITH MY MOM

I MOVED TO FLORIDA

and within a couple of months, my parents had followed.

My parents are very involved in our lives. They live 15 minutes away from me, so it's easy to do dinners and outings together. My mom is extremely loving and regularly picks my daughter up from school for one-on-one time with her. My dad is a quiet, hard working person. My older brother is goofy and kind. He and his wife live a short flight away in Atlanta, and they have a 1 year old son. My younger brother and I are very close. Since he is 12 years younger than me, I joke that he was my first baby. He's currently in the Navy, but we manage to keep in touch, despite all of his traveling. Avi really looks up to her Uncle Joey.



MY FAMILY

My TRADITIONS

Gatherings for all major holidays and birthdays

Daily storytime and snuggles with my daughter

Traveling at least once yearly



MY BROTHER AND SISTER-IN-LAW'S BABY SHOWER



COUSINS!

MY FRIENDS ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF MY LIFE.

I know that I can depend on them in crisis, and **I can also count on them to be the loudest cheerleaders for my success.** They have been and will be a part of my community for many years to come.



PLAYDATES WITH FRIENDS



I LOVE MY FRIENDS!



"The first time I met Christine was back in 2008 during our medical school orientation at Vanderbilt University and from our initial meeting, I knew she was an incredibly special person. **I just remember her having such a warm presence and her compassion and kind-heartedness made you feel heard and secure.**

I have firsthand witnessed Christine (aka Aunty Christine) take care of my son, Anbu, on many instances. Any time she comes to my home, she instantly gravitates towards Anbu and takes over as his caregiver. Whether it was changing his diapers to feeding him bottles in the beginning to now playing with him on all fours and reading him books, **motherhood just naturally comes to Christine.** She has such affection and patience for Anbu, it just warms my heart when I see her around him."

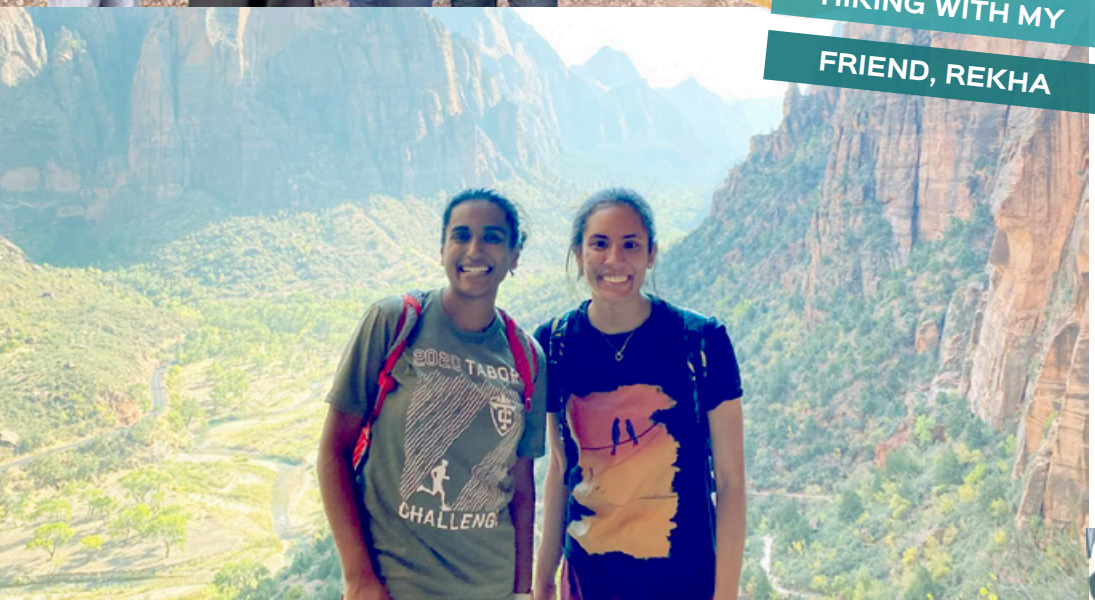
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WORDS from my LOVED ONES



5 things MY FRIENDS describe me as

- Perceptive
- Compassionate
- Gentle • Faithful
- A good listener



"**Christine is one of the most loving, kind, compassionate, and caring people I have ever known.** She's the kind of person you know you can call with any problem or issue and she will listen and be there right with you. She will always have a compassionate and measured response to everyone involved in the situation."

Rekha

MY THOUGHTS ON

PARENTING

I want my child to develop into the best version of themselves possible. Each child has a unique path, and I want to support them as they find that path. My goal is that they will be secure, confident, compassionate, and capable as they grow into adulthood.

If possible, I also want them to know their birth family.

Their birth family is a part of their rich heritage, and their life will be so much more complete if they have an opportunity to learn about and understand this aspect of their heritage.



Thank you

SO MUCH

for taking the time to learn about me!

I know that you have some hard decisions to make, but I also know that you will have the strength and wisdom to choose a wonderful home for your child.

I look forward to raising a child in a home that is rich in love, security, prayers, fun, and, community. I will be sure to teach my child about their birth heritage, and my hope is that they will always have a understanding of their deep intrinsic worth. I want them to have a solid sense of identity which launches them into a successful life.