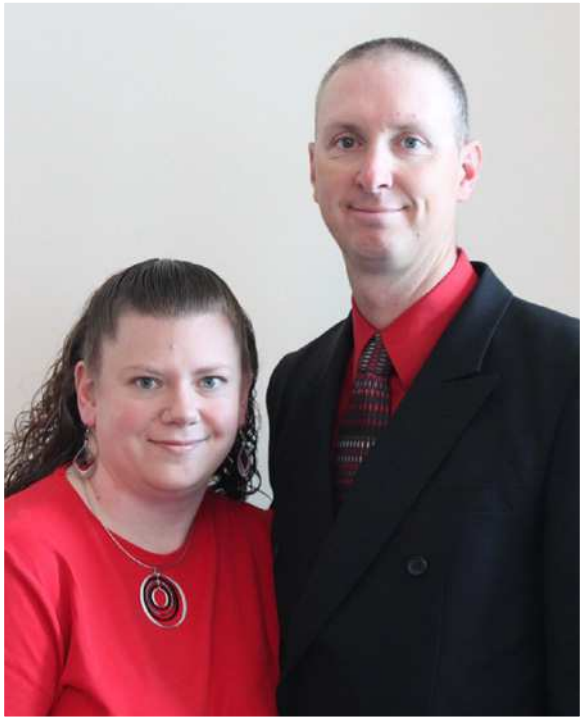
Nathan & Melissa



Dear Birthmother,

Thank you for taking the time to view our profile. We are Nathan and Melissa and would like to first start by saying "thank you" for choosing adoption for your precious baby. Your decision to adopt is incredibly brave and we have nothing but the utmost respect for you. We hope that through this profile, you will be able to get a glimpse of our lives, our comfortable home, and our supportive network of family and friends.

We were raised in loving, Christian homes that placed great emphasis on the Bible, regular church attendance and involvement. Our faith continues to be a vital part of our daily lives. We plan to raise our child in a Christ centered, loving, and stable home. We believe that honesty, patience, selflessness, and open communication are key to a healthy relationship and thriving home. God has truly blessed us and we can't wait to share those many blessings with a child.

We are anxious to grow our family thru the avenue of adoption. Adoption is near and dear to our hearts. Our Pastor and his dear wife adopted their son internationally and we have some very close friends who have adopted 5 children. We look forward to welcoming and loving any child, of any race or culture into our hearts and home.

Since God has directed us on this adoption journey, we have been fervently praying for you and your baby. We want to again thank you for taking time to read our profile and trust that God will guide and direct you to just the right family for you and your child.

Lovingly,

Nathan and Melissa

About Us

We met at our church, where we both were busy serving in the jr. church, choir, and nursing homes ministries. For Melissa, it was truly love at first sight. Our friendship grew deep and we soon became inseparable. We dated for about a year and were married on February 7, 2004.

We have been told by many that they are amazed by the depth of our relationship. We work hard to maintain a focus on trust and open communication. We make time to enjoy many things including participating in the local 4th of July celebrations, going to the county fair to watch the truck and tractor pulls, enjoying family get together and picnics, and spending quality time just working on house projects.

About Nathan
written by Melissa

Nathan grew up on a large dairy farm and learned at an early age the value of hard work and responsibility. These are two of the many qualities that I admire about him. Shortly after graduating from high school, he began his own excavating business, which he successfully ran for 10 years that prided itself in delivering a quality job. He went on to manage an over the road trucking business, for almost 5 years, which allowed he and I to travel the country and see so many incredible things including the Hoover Dam, Mt. Rainier, and we even got to take a ferry ride to NewFoundland!! I would not change the close bond that we gained thru the many years spent in the truck together!!

Nathan loves the Lord wholeheartedly, is a loving and devoted husband that adores me, is a strong spiritual leader, has always been a go getter, and works incredibly hard to provide financial stability for our family. He works for a premier commercial builder as a project supervisor. I am blessed to have such a wonderful, loving, caring, and especially handsome hubby ;) I truly married my best friend and even tho it hasn't always been easy, I wouldn't change a single thing!!!

About Melissa
written by Nathan

Melissa knows first hand about loss and disappointment and yet she continues, with the Lord's help, to lovingly and graciously persevere. She has learned to use the adversity to help and encourage others going thru similar situations.

She is a strong, loving, and supportive wife. She is my biggest fan!! She is a constant source of encouragement for me :) Her perfectionist nature and great organizational skills have been a huge asset, especially when I was operating my own businesses.

She is a meticulous homemaker, enjoys volunteering as our church's secretary, and plans to be a stay at home mother. She throughly enjoys working in the church nursery, working along side our Pastor's wife in the Pre K youth ministry, and cuddling the babies as much as she can :) Whenever she has spare time, she often spends it babysitting for our many friends with children. I know, without a doubt, that Melissa will be a wonderful, loving, and nurturing mother to our children!!

Our Family and Friends

We are incredibly blessed with wonderful families who are so excited to welcome our precious baby into the family. Nathan's parents live about 10 minutes from us and we see them almost on a weekly basis. Melissa's parents live about an hour from us, and although the drive is a little farther, we purposely make time to visit. Whether it's meeting for lunch, shopping with my mom, or just hanging out at the house talking, we enjoy the time that we can spend together.

Nathan has an older brother, younger sister, and 2 younger brothers, which all live locally. Nathan's sister is married and has 6 children, which keeps her very busy. Nathan's extended family consists of 22 aunts and uncles and 28 first cousins!! There is definitely a lot of love to go around and family gatherings are quite busy trying to catch up with everyone and playing with all the little ones :)

Melissa has 2 older brothers and 1 younger sister. All of Melissa's siblings are married and there are 6 very energetic nieces and nephews!! At family gatherings, you will often find Nathan on the floor playing with the nieces and nephews. We have been told that one of the nieces, in particular, has been praying and asking constantly when we will get our baby. She can't wait to add a new cousin and secretly we've been told she's hoping for a girl, although she'll be happy with a new nephew too ;)

Our church family and close friends have been incredibly supportive, generous, and encouraging during our adoptive journey. Many of our dear friends have sponsored fundraisers for us and our church family even hosted a beautiful baby shower to help us get all the appropriate baby gear needed!! We were recently told by one of our best friends that her almost 2 year daughter prays every night for us to hurry up and get our baby soon!!! They can't wait to love and (probably even somewhat) spoil our precious bundle of joy!!!

Uncle Darrell, Aunt Rachel, Carter and Luke

Enjoying our visit w/ long time friends, Roger and Nancy (aka- Ma and Pa T)

Papa and Nana

Uncle Alan, Aunt Amy, and Kylie Rose

Visiting w/ friends, John and Louise in FL

Uncle Josh, Aunt Katie, Ava, Chase

Our dear friends, Josh, Sommer, Owen, and Eva

Grandpa and Grandma

Our Home

We live in a safe quiet neighborhood that is surrounded by parks, water parks, walking and bike trails, campgrounds, and many places to enjoy quality family time. Other entertainment includes theaters, bowling alleys, putt putt golf, shopping centers and malls, zoos, museums, and libraries. Our County Fair is a highlight of our year. We enjoy the loud rumble and the excitement that is associated with the truck and tractor pull. Melissa especially loves getting pizza and donuts while at the fair!!

Our beautiful ranch style home features 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, large kitchen and dining room, large living room, full finished basement with family rec room, a spacious gated deck for relaxing in the evenings, above ground pool, quietly situated on almost 2 acres.

We absolutely love to entertain. Melissa enjoys cooking for big crowds and typically makes enough food to feed a small army ;) We often will have friends over and play our favorite game, Marbles. Melissa is busy making sure every last detail of the nursery is ready to welcome our precious child. We can't wait to see our little one takes his or her first steps, say their first words, and reach each new milestone!!

Both Nathan's enjoyed building this picture frame :)

Our Pastor, his wife (and Melissa's childhood friend), Heidi, and their boys, Ian and Landon

Nathan helping on a friends ranch

Our Favorites At A Glance

Favorite Food- Nathan (pretty much anything) / Melissa (pizza)

Favorite Color- Nathan (Blue) / Melissa (Orange)

Favorite Recreational Activity- Nathan (riding 4 wheeler) / Melissa (watching truck & tractor pulls and yard sailing)

Favorite Vacation Spot- Nathan (Cancun) / Melissa (Cancun)

Hobbies- Nathan (woodworking and home remodeling projects) / Melissa (cooking and baking, scrapbooking, and making making jewelry)

Favorite TV show- Nathan (Mythbusters, Goldrush, and Ice Road Truckers) / Melissa (Shark Tank, JAG, What Not To Wear)

Favorite Holiday- Nathan (Christmas) / Melissa (Christmas)

Favorite Season- Nathan (Summer) / Melissa (Fall- I love the changing of the leaves and going to Fall Festivals with family and friends!!)