Chris & Courtney

About Us

We met in 2006 while Chris was visiting a mutual friend on Courtney's college campus. Chris was quickly won over by Courtney's humor, while Courtney was equally impressed by Chris' kindness. We then started our 7 years of long distance dating - people thought we were crazy, but we always said it was better than the alternative, and now we have been happily married since 2013. The distance encouraged our relationship to be built on strong communication, honesty, and trust - foundational principles that have kept our marriage strong.

We are truly best friends and enjoy sharing our interests with one another; some of our favorite activities to do together include hiking in our local Metroparks, playing card games, and exploring new areas. We are fortunate to have many friends in our area to socialize with, and also spend much of our free time with our families.

We both strongly hold true to having a solid work-life balance, supporting each other to achieve our career goals, but having the ability to relax when we are at home. We have both earned promotions within our current jobs, allowing us to have financial stability, however neither of us work long or late hours; Courtney also plans to work part-time while our child is young. We are fortunate to work similar hours, allowing us time as a family each night. We look forward to sharing stories with our child around the dinner table nightly (complete with Courtney's wonderful cooking!), and to weekly movie or game nights.

Favorites & Fun Facts

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Season	Fall	Summer
Foods	Stir Fry/Chinese, Pancakes, Sweet Potatoes	Pasta, Pizza, Tacos
Candy	Reese's Cup	Reese's Cup
TV Show	This is Us	Modern Family
Board Game	Risk	Chutes and Ladders
Childhood Book	"Curious George"	"Little Engine that Could"
Childhood Memory	Playing little league baseball with Dad as my coach	"Car Dancing" with Mom, baking with Dad, and family beach vacations
Hobbies	Hiking, golfing, working in the yard, using power tools	Hiking/anything outside, cooking, reading
Afraid of	Snakes	The number 13 (silly superstition!)
Fun Fact	I enjoy organizing more than the average person… You should see my closet!	I was a synchronized swimmer as a pre-teen!

About Courtney

(written by Chris)

Courtney's fun loving personality is ultimately the reason I fell in love with her. She is quick-witted and is always able to make me laugh. She is driven in her career as a physical therapist and works incredibly hard to help her patients regain critical functions, allowing them to get back to their normal lives. Courtney is dedicated to providing us with a wonderful home life; her cooking is phenomenal and she has a keen eye for interior decorating, making our home look beautiful.

Courtney is devoted to our marriage, family, and God. Courtney cherishes spending quality time with those she loves most, whether it's a date night with myself or spending an afternoon grilling out with our families. I love watching her interact with our loved ones, especially our niece and nephews. She is playful, educational, patient, and kind, confirming to me that she will make an incredible mother. I look forward to the day that God blesses us with a child because I am certain that Courtney will care for and love your child unconditionally.

About Chris

(written by Courtney)

To be frank, I was very leery of Chris when we first met because he had that stereotypical jock appearance. I found out quickly that you cannot judge a book by its cover! While he does enjoy participating in sports and being active, there's so much more to him than his athleticism. Chris is an operations manager at a children's hospital and is sincerely loved by all of his employees. He has rightfully earned the title of "the nice guy" amongst friends, and "the favorite uncle" amongst family. He is wonderful at organizing and planning, helping to keep our home in order. He is constantly making me laugh with his various impressions and "awesome" dance moves. Chris is a kid at heart - I love watching him fight bad guys with our nephews and play Barbie's with our niece. He is considerate and gentle-hearted, and I am confident that he will make an excellent father.

Our Home

We live in a 2 story home with 3 bedrooms and 2.5 bathrooms with a finished basement (much in thanks to Chris' handy work!) and decent sized yard. It is located in a large, suburban neighborhood. We are fortunate to have a pool, a playground, and walking trails located within the community. We both enjoyed growing up playing kickball and tag with our neighborhood friends, and we are hopeful that our child will have the same experience with the abundance of young kids within our community.

Our home is located near many beautiful parks and hiking trails which we visit often, especially in the fall months. We are also located just 25 minutes from a larger city and enjoy attending sporting events and concerts every so often. We live in a top-rated school district, are located close to our church, and have many restaurants and shopping areas nearby. Most importantly, we are within 30 minutes of both of our immediate families, of whom we get together with often.

Our family

Being the fun aunt and uncle with Ninja Turtle dress-up

We have always been very close with our immediate families and are blessed to have parents who have been happily married for 30+ years; we currently live within an easy drive from them and therefore see everyone at least a couple times a month. We are also fortunate enough to have a majority of our extended families nearby, and we frequently get together with them to celebrate birthdays and holidays. Everyone is super excited to add a little one to the clan!

Courtney grew up with her parents and 1 older sister; in true sister spirit, they fought often growing up- mostly because Courtney would spill something on a shirt that she wasn't supposed to be wearing in the first place. Today, however, they are best friends. Her sister has been married for 9 years and has 2 sweet little boys, ages 5 and 3. We babysit them often; from building family room forts to making s'mores around a campfire, we always have a great time with them.

In addition to growing up with his parents, Chris was the middle child, sandwiched in between an older brother and a younger sister. He was typically the "good kid", but would occasionally cause his parents panic, especially the time he tried to walk to Sea World (he didn't get very far). Chris' siblings have 3 children amongst them, ages 9, 7, and 3. They are great friends and are excited to gain another cousin.

Backyard s'mores with our nephew

Beach vacation with Courtney's family

Christmas Eve tradition- baking with Courtney's Gram!

Full laps and fuller hearts! Snug time with our niece & nephew

Chris and Courtney's families together

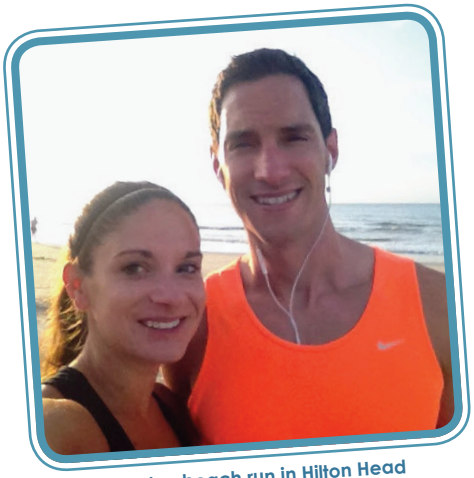
Proud aunt and uncle meeting our newest nephew!

Camping getaway with Chris' family

Uncle Chris helping "Super Mickey" fly!

Our Adventures

We truly enjoy our time together and love to be active, often trying new things and exploring new areas. Our "perfect day" consists of a good mix of normalcy and adventure; from starting the day with homemade breakfast sandwiches and a church service, followed by attending a local festival or trying a new restaurant.



Enjoying beach run in Hilton Head

Hiking in Arizona

Coffee break in New York City

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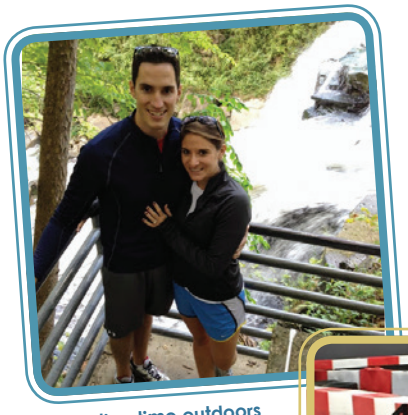
For us, as long as we are together we can make even the most boring situations more fun – including our weekly guessing games at the grocery store. We can't wait to start our own family traditions and seek new adventures together.

Auditioning for Family Feud!



Spending time outdoors at local Metropark

Participating in 5K with work friends

Hitting the slopes!

Going super fast at indoor go-kart track

Volunteering to pack meals with friends

hello!

Thanks for stopping by and for taking the time to get to know us. We hope that through our profile, you will see the infinite love we have for each other, our families, and our friends – and how eager we are to translate that love towards you and your tiny miracle!

Our hearts are open and excited to expand our family through adoption. We believe that genetics don't necessarily make a family, but love surely does! We will welcome a child who may look "different" from us and will integrate their cultural differences into our lifestyle. We intend to raise your child with the knowledge of where they came from and if you are open to being a part of the child's life, we welcome you as part of our family. We want your child to know from the very beginning that adoption is a sign of love shared by parents who want the very best for their child.

We look forward to helping your child explore endless opportunities to figure out their likes and dislikes. We are excited for our own hobbies to expand as your child searches for their own. Chris has always loved playing sports and is excited for the opportunity to coach, just like his dad, and Courtney can't wait to share her love of reading and cooking with our child.

While you continue to make your adoption plan, please know that we want to support you through your journey while sharing with you who we are. We deeply respect the decision you are making for your future child and are sending you prayers for guidance and strength!

♡ Chris & Courtney

Why Adoption?

We have known for a long time that we are meant to be parents; when we learned we couldn't conceive naturally, we knew it wasn't the end of our dream, but simply the opening of a new and exciting chapter in our lives. The greatest honor we could ever imagine is to help your child reach their fullest potential and become the man or woman you hope they will be.