Chris & Grant

About Us

Quickly after meeting in the Fall of 2008, we realized we had something special and knew we were meant to be together. Chris was working as a nurse and Grant was completing his doctoral degree in Electrical Engineering. We complement each other as Chris tends to be very outgoing and social whereas Grant is more on the reserved side yet, has a wicked sense of humor. We're always making each other laugh.

You'll find us in the kitchen with music playing cooking an amazing seafood chowder, Italian pasta dish, or pizza. We love walking our three rescue dogs, spending time with family/friends, listening to live music, and supporting and organizing local charity events including our own. We maintain a simple lifestyle and live a happy life, one that values our relationship and time with one another, as well as with our loved ones. We feel fortunate to have stable employment and careers that we enjoy and find fulfilling. This enables us to take care of others in need and advance medical technologies in the healthcare field.

We are blessed with loving and supportive families, strong morals, and a healthy marriage with open communication, good senses of humor and devotion to one another. We look forward to the day when we can welcome a new wonderful life into our family!

FUN FACTS & FAVORITES

	Grant	Chris
Occupation	Biomedical Research Engineer	Radiation Oncology Nurse
TV show/movie	Shawshank Redemption	Bride's Maids, Sound of Music, Key and Peele
Food	My Mom's pierogis	Dad's eggplant parmesan, My Mom's crab muffins, pizza
Vacation	Hawaii	Ireland
Holiday	Thanksgiving	Christmas
Childhood Memory	Having cups of tea with my Mom before bed, playing soccer	Being the house where family/ friends gathered playing sports, sleepovers at grandma's house
Hobbies	Reading, electronics, traveling, cooking, live music	Cooking, fundraising, bicycling, spending time with family/friends, traveling, live music

About Grant written by Chris

I knew right away after meeting Grant that he was special and a true gentleman. When we first began dating, he helped me take care of my beloved dog Simba and was there with us during the final moments of his life. This showed me how compassionate, caring and loyal he is and through the years this has never changed. His calming yet strong presence and warm soft smile puts anyone at ease and you cannot help but feel safe and loved in his presence. He has an incredible sense of humor and is one of the funniest people I know. We laugh and joke with each other constantly and our sarcasm knows no bounds which makes life fun and entertaining. I am often told I'm a lucky girl to have Grant in my life and I couldn't agree more. He walks through life focused on the positive no matter how challenging or stressful the situation. He is highly intelligent and works diligently advancing medical innovation. Perhaps what I love most about him is that he loves my family and our niece and nephews adore and look up to him. I cannot ask for a better partner in life or to raise a family with.

About Chris written by Grant

Chris can walk into any room and light it up. She has one incredible personality who makes friends with everyone. She has the uncanny ability to instantly connect with people, making them feel as if they have known her forever and want to share their life story. Her empathetic and compassionate soul makes her a phenomenal nurse. She provides personalized care and unwavering support to her patients and their families as they endure the difficult journey of battling cancer. Her heart knows no bounds. She lives her life putting others first, is fiercely loyal and her generosity is impossible to measure. What you see is what you get, a genuine charismatic gal with a quick wit and expressive hand gestures to match. With her deep desire and passion to raise a family, I know Chris will be an amazing, loving and nurturing mother. I love Chris with all my heart and cannot wait to start our family.

Our Home

We live in a two-level single-family century home with 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, and a finished basement in a well-maintained safe and diverse residential neighborhood. Our fully fenced in backyard provides a safe environment for our three pups. We love walking our dogs in the early evenings down the tree-lined streets in our neighborhood. Our house is situated within five miles of restaurants, parks, several major shopping malls /centers and top-ranked schools, universities and hospitals. We have lived in our home since 2009 and are close friends with our neighbors enjoying each other's company from having formal holiday parties to the more common after-work bonfires. Meet all of our pets who we love and cherish very much!

Rambo, Mollie & Dexter

Sissy Marie

Pringles

Our niece and nephews

Grant's parents with a sampling of their artwork

Chris' parents

Chris' older brother, sister-in-law and their children

Our Family & Friends

We were raised in hard-working middle-class families where moral character was valued, family traditions honored, and a love for the arts was always present. Grant's parents have been married for 52 years while Chris' parents just celebrated their 46th Wedding Anniversary. Over the past 12 years our families have blended together and are incredibly excited for us to become first time parents through adoption.

Chris' family is very tight-knit and live within walking distance, not a day goes by without talking to or seeing each other. They are an easy-going fun-loving bunch. She has three brothers, one sister-in-law, a niece and two nephews. Music has always been an important part of Chris' family as her grandparents, uncle, and father are musicians. Eight years ago, their family and close friends began a non-profit organization in honor of Chris' late uncle which raises funds to help support recovering alcoholics and drug addicts. They are always cooking up a storm and love to feed everybody. Special occasions, Sunday dinners, chocolate making at Christmas time, the kiddos sporting events, working on home projects, or just having a cup of coffee together are a few examples of how they enjoy spending time together.

Grant's parents have been professional artists for over 50 years illustrating children's books, greeting cards and other products that have been distributed throughout the world. Grant's parents and his younger brother live a short drive away and often visit spending Sundays, special occasions and the holidays together. Grant's family has continued the annual Christmas tradition of making homemade Pierogi's which is then looked forward to and enjoyed by all.

Celebrating with Chris' work family

Chris' parents, brothers, sister-in-law and Grant

Biking for charity

Grant with his dad and brother

Santa tracking with Uncle Grant

Birthday fun with friends

Christmas chocolate making tradition

Dear Birthmother/Parents,

We greatly appreciate and thank you for spending your time reading our profile and learning about us. We cannot truly imagine the feelings you are experiencing while considering an adoption plan and want you to know we admire your strength, selflessness, and the love you have for your child.

After experiencing loss and infertility, we wholeheartedly feel God has guided us to adopt. We look forward to welcoming a child of any race, ethnicity, or gender into our home. Having both come from wonderful families, we promise to raise your child just as we were in a house with daily laughter, unconditional love, strong moral values and to guide them through life with their best intentions always at heart.

Whichever decision you make please know you are giving your child the greatest gift of all, and that is the gift of life. You are incredibly brave and we would be honored and forever grateful for the blessing of your child.

Thoughtfully yours,

Grant & Chris

Building Blocks Adoption Service Inc.

Why Adoption?

We have always imagined our lives with a family of our own. Our love for each other and the desire to raise a child(ren) together has remained strong, never changing in spite of the many obstacles we have met along the way from miscarrying, a stillbirth and secondary infertility. We are beyond happy and excited to be on this adoption path and are so looking forward to welcoming and loving an incredible child into our hearts and home.