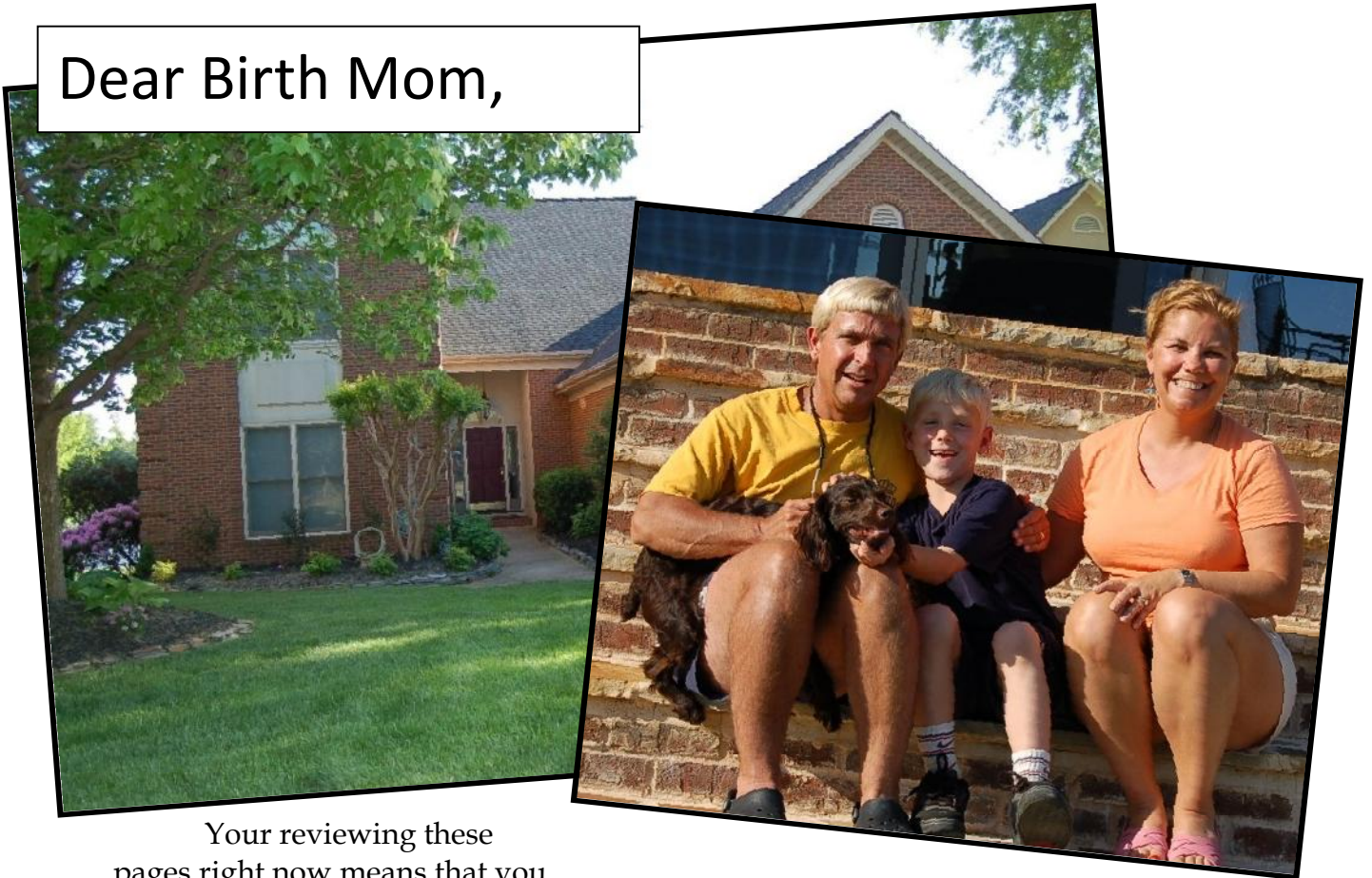


Dear Birth Mom,



Your reviewing these pages right now means that you are about to make a far reaching, lifelong decision - and we, too, may become connected to the outcome of your decision for the rest of our lives. I believe that the love you feel for your child has also given you the courage to allow Lisa and I (Dave) the possibility of loving your child as our own.

Know that your brave decision, for us, comes with the deep hope that your child will be provided with a loving, nurturing, healthy, home. We have had 8 great years to improve our parenting skills and know the best is yet to come! Our shared faith will always guide us as loving and wise parents.

I hope and pray that all the pictures and words in this letter give you a comforting sense of what Lisa and I are all about. I have a lifelong goal to be a dedicated dad and husband. We have been so blessed with each other, and our son (Austin). We have a wonderful loving extended family that looks forward to loving another child. We also have a strong supportive network of families who have also adopted. They have been there for our family every step of the way through this experience.

It is our heartfelt dream to bring your child into our family. It is my prayer that you have complete peace and strength in your decision on whom the adoptive parents will be. If you have pain, know that Lisa, Austin, and I continue to pray for you every day.

As I (Lisa) write this I am thinking about the process you are going through as you make the decision of which family will adopt your child. Know that you have been in

my thought for a very long time. Choosing an adoption plan for your child requires amazing courage, love, unselfishness and strength. It is because of your complete loving, unselfish act that parenthood is possible for our family.

I look forward to
being a big brother,
I can't wait to
show you how to read,
and play. t-ball will
be fun too!
Love Austin

David & I have been married for 12 years. It's funny how time fly's when you communicate well, respect each other, and are best of friends. Our union has been enriched by our son Austin,



who was born in July of 2000. Our home has since been filled with additional love and children's laughter.

Austin is a happy, energetic 8 year old who is in the third grade at a great private school. We plan on sending your child to this school as well. He looks forward to having a sibling to call his own. In fact he continues to tell us he cannot wait to be a big brother so he can play with and read to the new baby!

As a family we enjoy most activities together. We live on a lake, and enjoy swimming, boating and going on picnics. In the summer we camp in our backyard, which is a lot of fun. We really enjoy riding bikes and skating. On rainy days we play board games, chess and different card games. We live in a small family friendly neighborhood. We have picturesque gazebo parties down by the lake in the summer. On the 4th of July all

the kids run around playing tag and look for lighting bugs while they await brilliant fireworks.

What kind of parents are we, you wonder? David is a loving, devoted, tender daddy. David gives Austin lots of time, love and attention. David is a wonderful provider who is dedicated to his career. He is a great example for children. On the weekends all the kids in the neighborhood are over at our place ready to play and have fun!! We have a terrific time playing outside, most any sport that involves a ball is played on our front lawn.

I am warm and loving, and have a goal that our future child feel the love and security that Austin already feels. My passion in life is spending time with Austin and his friends. I love to help children become better readers in school. I've made the decision to be a full-time mom and will continue this path, which is great when David travels on business trips we are able to join him. For example, we've really enjoyed the beaches as well as the mountains of the Carolina's.

We have tremendous love and support from our family and friends as we continue our process of adopting. They often ask have we heard any good news regarding your adoption? As parents, we will prepare your child to discover and embrace their unique personality, gifts and strengths!

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact Kirsh & Kirsh directly at (800)333-5736, they can always reach us. We of course would be happy to update you with letters and photos so that you may share in the joy of watching your child grow.

Kindly,

Lisa & David

