

Adoption Profile – Kola & Jen



Dear Expectant Parent,

We're a family of three - Kola, Jen and our son, Isaiah. We would like to share a little about us, and we truly appreciate you taking the time to read this letter! We hope that you can see a glimpse of our hearts in these words.

We are originally from opposite ends of the country – Jen was in California, and Kola in New York. We first met briefly in 2014 at Kola's brother's wedding, but it took two more encounters at different events over the next two years before we started dating! After getting married in 2018, we settled down on the East Coast, and our son was born in 2022. We have enjoyed the journey so far of building our lives and family together. We've had a lot to learn, as we came from different backgrounds – Kola has a Nigerian cultural heritage, and Jen has a mixed heritage (Finnish, Pacific Islander, German, Chinese, American). We find it a blessing to be a diverse family, and we are committed to continually learning about each other, and loving and serving one another to make our relationship stronger. We can't wait to welcome another child into our family to continue this journey of love and learning!

About Kola

Kola is caring, energetic, social and spontaneous. He is a small business owner and is currently working to expand his distribution business. Being self-employed gives him extra flexibility in daily life, and he is able to be more present at home and with Isaiah. He often takes Isaiah to the park after picking him up from preschool. As Isaiah is very energetic, they also bond over sports like soccer and basketball, as well as other outdoor activities! Kola is a loving father who enjoys teaching Isaiah new things. He loves kids, and with his playful and kind spirit, other kids love him too!



About Jen

While she is quieter than Kola, Jen is warm and thoughtful and enjoys helping others. She is currently working full time as a physical therapist, but plans to switch to working part time or per diem in order to spend more time with the family/ children. She enjoys baking, both for the household and for sharing with neighbors and friends. She is sharing this love of baking (and eating baked goods!) with Isaiah, who loves to help Mommy make cookies and cakes! Jen also enjoys reading books, and loves reading to Isaiah while snuggling on the couch. She has a heart for children, having volunteered in children's ministry at church for many years. While she loves helping other people in her work, her true heart is with her family, and she looks forward to spending more time caring for the family and pouring into the lives of the children. Jen is committed to being a caring and supportive mother, and your child would be loved and cherished by her!



Family Life

We live in a great community with friendly neighbors of various ages, including other families with children. We love to take walks around our community, and we often see other children playing outside and riding their bikes. Our neighborhood is safe and is close to many parks and playgrounds, which we visit often, as well as other resources like libraries and a children's museum. As a family, we enjoy spending time together - playing games, watching movies, taking walks, cooking/baking together, hanging out in the backyard, and taking little trips to explore new places! We attend church every week, as our faith is an integral part of our lives. We also have a wonderful community of friends, including those from our local church, who we enjoy spending time with. Our son has many friends his age in this group, so we know that your child would have a lot of other children to play with! Our extended family on Kola's side is just a drive away, and we can visit them whenever possible. Jen's side of the family is still in California, so we take vacations there every year to spend time with them. Everyone is waiting to welcome another child into the family – just know that your child would have lots of cousins, aunts/uncles and grandparents to love on them!



Our Heart for Adoption

Although we don't have first-hand experiences with adoption yet, we believe that it is such a beautiful thing, and we both felt God leading us to pursue this. We know that we have a lot to give, and we are ready to provide all the love, support, stability and guidance your child needs to grow and be successful in life! We are committed to being present and involved parents, and we want to support your child in pursuing their dreams as they grow. We would love the opportunity to welcome your child into our family and cherish them forever. Please know that we support you in whatever decision you make, and we admire your courage! May God give you peace and strength on this journey.

With Gratitude,

Kola and Jen