

Ashley Dana



& Dani

To a very special and courageous mother,



For years we have prayed for this moment-

Where we get to share just how important you are to us. We want to start by thanking you from the deepest part of our hearts, for taking the time to get to know us.

We cannot begin to imagine the emotions you must be feeling. The decision you are making for your child is beyond brave and is such a selfless act! We intend on sharing that with our adoptive child. We want the baby to grow up knowing just how heroic you are for making this decision.

We know that God has a plan that is much greater than we will ever understand. Romans 8:28 says, "And we know that in all things God



works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose." We have no doubt in our minds that God has called us to be adoptive parents. We promise to love our adopted child more than words will ever say. We believe that God's will for us is to raise our children in a strong Christian home- showing them God's love through our love for Christ, our love for each other, and our love for them. For there is no greater example of unfailing love than that of which Christ expressed for us by dying on the cross. As long as His light shines through us, we know that He will mold us into the parents He wants us to be.



Our prayer for you, is that you will know how incredible you truly are! We want you to understand that even though we do not know you- we love you, we are tremendously grateful for you, and we are constantly lifting you up in prayer during this journey. You are choosing such a heroic route, and we believe that you will be blessed because of it.

Always remember that God planned this child. He already knows every thought and fear you are experiencing, and He already knows the future.

We are extremely appreciative that you took the time to listen to our hearts! May God give you peace and strength for the future that you are choosing for your child.



Eshey & Dana

our Wedding

June 2nd, 2007



Dana w/her nieces
& nephew!



Our new family!

Our wedding day was one of the happiest days of our lives! We were so excited to finally say "I do" in front of all of our family and friends. We had a church wedding and a church reception.



As you can tell, we had a rather large wedding party, but we wouldn't have had it any other way! We were beyond blessed to be surrounded by such amazing people in God's house as we started our life together!

my husband

Ashley



Ashley is the most amazing man I have ever met. In fact, before we decided to become a couple, we were best friends! Ashley is a great supporter of our family. He is

a detective and takes his job very seriously, but he also makes time to spend at home with us. He is always there to lend a hand wherever needed- whether it is in our church or at our home, he is there to help!

Ashley is an absolutely incredible daddy!! Every day, no matter what is going on, he makes time to spend with Dani. They love to play games together, and it brings so much joy to my heart to watch them. He takes her to the park, goes to every event that she has if he can possibly make it, and he just spends quality father-daughter time with her. He can definitely act like a kid at times, which is a good thing when you have children! But, he also can be very, very serious.

Ashley is a great listener, and is the best husband I could ever ask for! God knew what He was doing when He put us together!! He is my rock, and I couldn't make it through life without him as my partner.



Ashley loves to spend time with our extended family; especially our

nieces and nephew. When we have family get togethers, they all crowd around in our laps to play, (which Dani loves of course!) They love their Uncle Ashley, that's for sure! As great as he is with Dani and our family makes me even more excited to share more children with him!



my Wife

Dana



Dana is a loving wife and mother. She is a stay-at-home mommy for the most part. Dana always makes sure that everything is organized, but she has no problem getting down in the floor with Dani and making a mess! Dana

enjoys spending time with our family and taking trips for a fun family outing. She is very understanding and rarely gets angry.

Dana's personality is what attracted me to her the most, along with her strong faith and belief in Jesus. She is very caring and would do everything she possibly could to help someone in need. Dana enjoys teaching children at our church. She has assisted with vacation Bible schools, children activities, as well as youth activities, and she has been a great mentor to both children and youth in our community. Dana loves family activities and playing with our nieces, nephew, and cousins. They like to play dress up inside as well as running off energy in the yard. The children in our extended family enjoy talking with Dana about Jesus and singing Bible songs. Dana loves to spend time with Dani, from competing in pageants, playing



in Dani's room, or a trip to the park. Dana graduated from college with a degree in Cardiovascular Technology. She is employed at a local hospital and a doctors' office working only when needed, so that she can be at home

with our children more. Dana enjoys her time with her patients.

Dana is great provider for our family. She takes pictures for family and for friends. Dana is very creative, too! She can also sew and paint custom canvases. I am very proud to call Dana my wife!!



our daughter

Dani



Dani was born in
October of 2007



Dani is so sweet and caring and is shy around people she doesn't know.

She is quite the girly girl! She loves playing with barbies and dolls.

However, she also loves to play in the dirt, ride the golf cart, or just get messy on the farm. She is a very smart girl and continues to

amaze us daily. Dani enjoys competing in pageants, but never gets upset if she doesn't win. We have taught her to always congratulate the winner and have fun no matter what! She also enjoys gymnastics, T-ball, singing at our church, spending time with her cousins, reading, (especially her Bible), praying, and anything that

has to do with her family. Dani's prayers can absolutely blow you away!

She always reminds us of what is truly important in our every day lives.

Dani is looking forward to starting school in the fall of 2012, but more importantly than that... she is so excited about being a big sister!!

For over a year, she has prayed every

night for God to send us a baby. We know that she is going to be an amazing big sister, and we cannot wait to watch their sibling relationship grow with each other, as well as with the Lord.



family trips



*We go to the beach every year.
Sometimes even twice a year!*

We've been to Disney on Ice.



*We live within driving distance to
an amusement park, which also
has a water park during the summer!*

We've been to the zoo.



*The rodeo is an annual event
for our family!*



We've been to Marine World.



Our Home



We live in a kid-friendly neighborhood. Our home is located within walking distance to several parks as well as recreational departments. We have lived here for the past five years, but we plan to build a home in the future.

Christmas traditions

Our favorite thing about Christmas is celebrating Jesus' birthday and giving to others!



Christmas (and all other holidays) is a BIG deal for our family!

We ride around to look at Christmas lights while drinking hot chocolate just about every night the week before Christmas!



We have to go and visit "HoHo" of course!



We always go pick out the "perfect" Christmas tree!



Riding the Christmas train is a must in our family!



We always decorate a GingerBread House!

our church



Our church is very adoption oriented. All of the church members are so supportive and ready to help in any way possible. Our church has a great children's program, and there are many children that attend. Dani looks forward to her class every Wednesday and Sunday. She feels very comfortable with her teachers and friends there. We are constantly having different events that are for the children! Dana helps with every children event possible. We are so blessed to be a part of such a wonderful church!

our extended family



Uncles are the BEST!



We cherish every moment together.



We love family get togethers!



So many cousins, so little time.



Our family is awesome!



Grandparents



Dani's grandparents are BEYOND wonderful! They are always there to help and support her in everything that she does! They are all very excited to welcome another grandbaby into their lives to love and spoil. After all, what are grandparents for??

Being grandparents sufficiently removes us from the responsibilities so that we can be *friends*.



our future together!

We see our future as an amazing story that God is writing! We know that He is going to use us in great and mighty ways--as He has proven to us time and time again! Our plan is to love our adopted child unconditionally. We will provide the absolute best childhood, education, and future to our children as we possibly can. We will do everything in our power to give our children only the best, because we believe that all children deserve to be showered with an abundance of love! We plan to encourage our children to always follow their dreams and to stand up for what they believe in.

Your life will be celebrated in our home, and we will speak of you often, because no one could ever give us a gift as great as you are giving! We are so grateful for the time you took to read our story, and we are extremely blessed to be considered to raise your child.

