



edison  
and  
kelly





Hi there,

The very first thing we would like to communicate to you is how brave and strong you are. We can't imagine how hard this must be for you and we want you to know that if you choose us, we will support you in whatever decision you ultimately make. We will be honest and transparent with you from the beginning. We will share with you any details you'd like to know about our family and our life. If you decide to select us, we will give this baby the utmost love and support, we will tell this baby about you and how strong you are. We will talk about you with kindness and respect and this baby will know about you from the very beginning and the sacrifice you made. Thank you in advance for considering us!

Warmly,

*edison, kelly & lincoln*





IN KELLY'S WORDS

# about us

I was traveling in Chennai, India in 2010, for work, and had been working very long hours for weeks. I asked a mutual friend if there was something I could do in Chennai that was fun in the evenings. I had been working 12-14 hours and going only from the hotel to the office back to the hotel. I needed a break. She reached out to her longtime colleague/friend and asked him to consider taking us out. He agreed and reached out to me to finalize the blind date details. The connection was immediate. It was an unforgettable evening and the weeks that followed were life-changing.

We first met in December 2010. I returned back to the US in March, by May we were engaged and from June to November, I sold everything I owed and moved to India to marry the man of my dreams. In December 2011 we were married. I feel blessed I was able to experience such a unique wedding in India and was able to spend four years in India learning about the culture and spending time with Edison's family. In 2015, we decided it was time to move to the US, to have our son Lincoln.

*"We work hard to build a compassionate world for our family filled with respect, love, and humor."*





# about kelly

*"Kelly has a very strong maternal side, she is incredibly loving and patient with our son."*

I am a glass half full everyday person. I am optimistic about people and the world. I love to be involved and I love to be social. Even with my love for helping others, my focus is on my family. My family is the most important thing in my life and supporting Lincoln and his development is a main priority. I encourage his interests (Narwhals) and like to introduce him to new things. I would do the same for this baby.

## WHAT EDISON LOVES ABOUT KELLY

I love Kelly's passion for positively impacting our community and at Lincoln's school. I also love her how respectful she is and how much she loves our families. She prioritizes not only her own family but also my side of the family as well, accepting and respectful of the differences between our two cultures.



An autumn carriage ride

## meet kelly

**OCCUPATION:** Advertising/Marketing

**SIBLING:** Younger brother, with an amazing family of his own

**FAVORITE BOOK:** I love books so it is really hard to choose. I just read American Dirt by Jeanine Cummins and it was amazing.

**THINGS I LOVE:** spending time with loved ones, gardening, giving back to the community, reading

**PERFECT DAY:** It would either be going to the zoo with my brother, my nephew, Lincoln and Edison or having brunch with friends, followed by some downtime at home and then an amazing dinner with family.

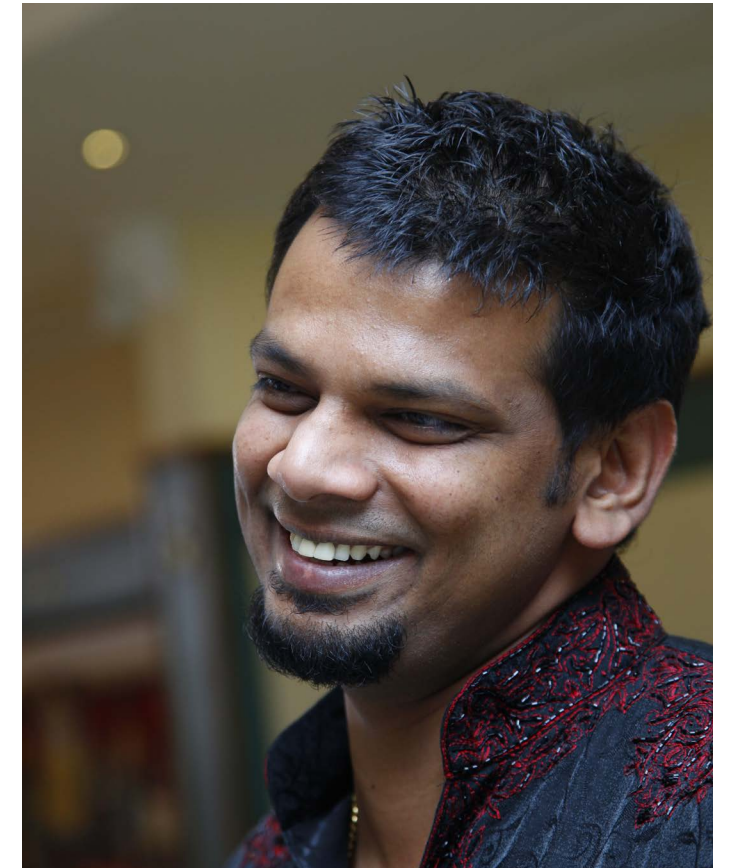
# about edison

*"Edison's love and support of his family can be seen in his daily actions. His dedication is inspiring."*

I was born in India and came to the US in 2015 when we moved to have Lincoln. Although I miss my family, I am happy in the US and love our neighborhood. The community I feel here feels as close as my communities in India. I am very social. I enjoy being active and teaching Lincoln things. I love sports and have played soccer, cricket, baseball, and competitive badminton. I also love anything to do with music – I was a lead singer in a band and danced competitively.

## WHAT KELLY LOVES ABOUT EDISON

Edison values family and treats all family members with kindness and love. Edison also is a great communicator, being able to switch from sharing his feelings/ perspective to being very objective. I often strive for his communication skills. Edison is a very engaging storyteller. He loves to have all eyes on him and tell a detailed, comical story. I could listen to him tell stories all day long.



Christmas PJ's

## meet edison

**OCCUPATION:** Project Manager

**SIBLING:** Younger sister with a beautiful family

**FUN FACT:** I speak five languages

**FAVORITE BOOK:** Anything by James Patterson

**FAVORITE PLACE:** Sanibel Island, Florida

**CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT:** Indian food

**PERFECT DAY:** My perfect day would be able to relax at home with family and having fish curry cooked by my mother.



# about lincoln

Lincoln is a four-year boy that never met a book he didn't love and a dinosaur that he didn't want to play with. He loves to learn about oceans, narwhals, sharks, dolphins, whales, and jaguars, just to name a few. He is kind and has been practicing being a role model for a few years. He is excited to be a big brother and would love the opportunity to teach this baby how to do things - like how to use sidewalk chalk.

*"Lincoln is full of never ending curiosity and kindness."*



Cousin Gus and Lincoln



## meet lincoln

**AGE:** 4

**OCCUPATION:** Junior Paleontologist

**INTERESTING FACT:** I have been to India twice in my life already!

**FAVORITE BOOK:**

**FAVORITE PLACE:**

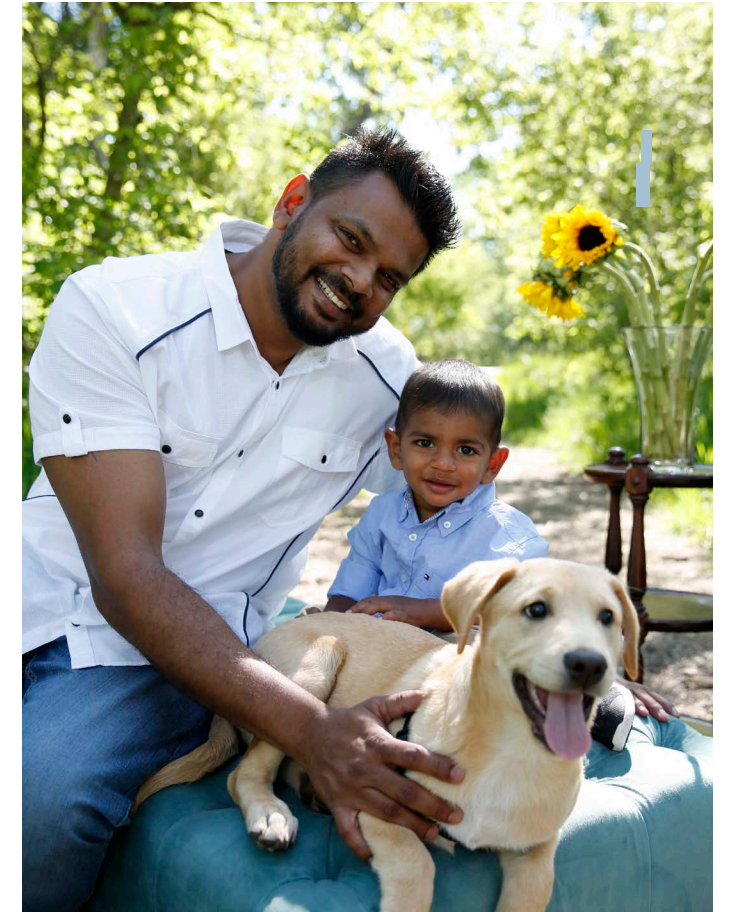
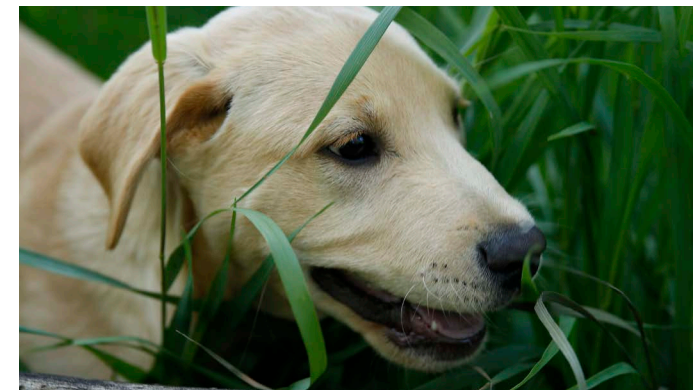
**CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT:**

**PERFECT DAY:** Eating donuts for breakfast, going to the zoo with family, followed by a playdate or bike ride and a play date with friends or family in the evening

# our pets

*"Max, Figs and Hippo mean the world to us. They teach us about love, patience and kindness daily."*

We have a cat, Figaro, who is two years old. He was rescued from the train tracks near our house in Denver (before we moved). Max, our yellow lab, is 3 and has never met a person he didn't love completely. Max and Figaro are best friends. They are both great with kids having been exposed to kids from the time they were young. Max and Linc have an awesome bond and they play daily. We also have a fish, Hippo, that likes to watch the world go by.





# our extended family

We are very blessed to have such an amazing family on both sides.

Our Indian family is comprised of Edison's mom, Daphney, his dad, Edward, and his sister Nancy. Nancy was just married in December 2017 and now has an adorable little boy of their own. Edison's family is extremely kind, supportive and loves to learn about different cultures. Family traditions center around the church, celebrating family and helping those in need. Edison's mother loves to cook and family events always include delicious meals.

Our American family is comprised of my parents, my brother, my sister in law and their son, 5. Family events typically involve a large, delicious dinner made by my dad, a lot of conversation. Everyone is extremely family-focused and thrilled about growing our family by adoption.



Beautiful Beach Day!



Kelly's immediate family



Hanging with an alligator



Nancy's wedding (Edison's sister)



Kisses for Edison's parents

# our friends

Along with our family, our friends are our lifeblood. They are incredibly supportive and bring us joy.



Amazing friends



Celebrations in India



Superhero time!



Jenn, the amazing woman who introduced us



Hiking with friends



Holi with friends!

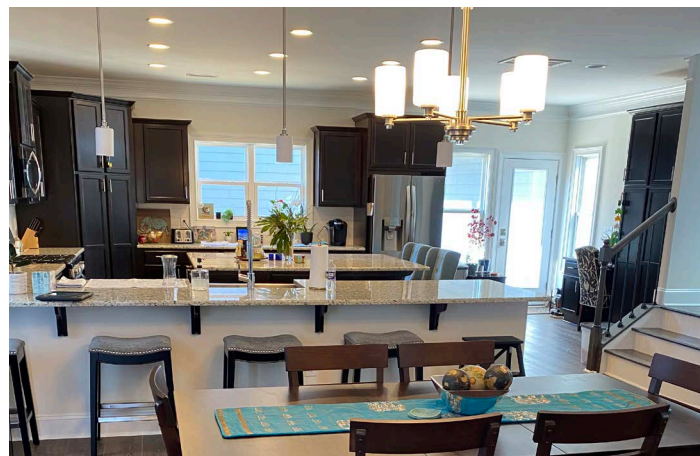


Dress up with friends!



# our home & community

We just moved into a brand-new home in a suburb of a large city in North Carolina. Our community, is new and has a swimming pool, a playground, a toddler park, two dog parks, community parks, and a community five grill spot so we can all grill out together. We chose this neighborhood because it will walk able to local shops, restaurants, and a concert venue. There are a ton of kids – ranging between newborns to high schoolers – and after only living here for a few months, we know this neighborhood is special. Families look out and support each other. The schools are wonderful. It's safe and clean.



Our kitchen



Our home



Neighborhood playground



Beautiful community pool

*"There is usually music playing in our house, oftentimes inspiring impromptu dance parties."*

## our values

- ⬢ We value relationships over anything else, whether it is family, friends, or our community.
- ⬢ We honor all cultures and celebrate differences.
- ⬢ We move through life with integrity, honesty, patience with each other, acceptance, and hard work.
- ⬢ We care about the environment and take steps regularly to reduce our footprint.





# why adoption

We have struggled for years with infertility, but we believe our family is meant to have two children. Adoption is something we are excited about and if we are blessed to be placed with a child through adoption, we will forever love and support the child.



## our parenting style

We recognize that the way we speak to Lincoln will shape the way he thinks of himself. We prioritize speaking in a way that highlights strengths and efforts.

We value supporting Lincoln when he is learning a new thing and giving him space to fail before he learns how to do something. We believe that learning to push through frustration will be important in developing his character.

We believe in being role models for the behavior we would like to see in our children, which consists of patience, love, acceptance, support, kindness, and encouragement.

We believe and model kindness to others, helping others that are in need.



*"We have been waiting to start the adoption process for years and are thrilled that it's time for us to start this journey."*

## our promise

- ◆ This baby will know about you and how much you loved them.
- ◆ We will speak of you with respect and kindness and share your story as much as you'd like us to.
- ◆ We will honor our agreements.
- ◆ We will celebrate this baby's culture and heritage.
- ◆ We will foster a sense of curiosity and learning.
- ◆ We will strive to help this baby understand and reach his or her dreams.
- ◆ We will have fun!
- ◆ This baby will be loved and supported by everything that we have.







thank you

We really appreciate you taking the time to look at our profile and considering us to as a family for your baby. It's an incredible honor that we do not take lightly. Thank you!

Love,

edison, kelly  
& lincoln