

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to introduce ourselves and tell you about our family. We cannot begin to know what you are feeling through this all, but we want to thank you for considering us.

Our names are Jake and Hillary Geidel. We have struggled through infertility for years. We feel our journey has led us to you. We have dreamed and prayed for this time in our life. We cannot wait to add a little one to our family.

As you look through this book, we hope you get a sense of our fun, loving family. You will see the love we have for each other and our dog, Percy. We enjoy spending time together and have so much support from not only our friends and family but also our school families. Your child will be loved by us, and they will be guided by the love of Jesus.

Blessing to you, Jake and Hillary Geidel

### A Quick Outline of Us

- Together for 14 years
- Met in high school, but started dating in college
- Engaged 8.16.14
- Married 10.31.15



- We live in the small farming town of Morrison
- Jake is the principal at our school and teaches 7th and 8th grade
- Hillary teaches preschool and kindergarten and the same school



#### Jake according to Hillary



Jake is going to be such an amazing dad. He has been my rock through everything life has thrown at us and is always so supportive. He always knows how to take a sad or hard situation and make you feel better. He is so funny and has been practicing his "dad jokes" on his students. Jake has always come into my classroom to talk and interact with my students. Their faces light up when he walks in and they cannot wait to say, "Hi!" to Mr. Geidel. Jake is the "fun" uncle to our family and friends' kids. They always enjoy playing with him. Jake is such a fun loving and sweet guy. He loves to get out and play disc golf. He enjoys watching and cheering on the Bucks. He coaches the 5th and 6th grade boys basketball team at our school and does an amazing job with those kids. He is so encouraging and is always ready to help them learn. Jake will care for and love your child with his whole heart every single day.

#### Hillary according to Jake



Hillary is a wonderful person, and I love her dearly. We have been together since 2011 and she has a contagious ability to find the joy in the little things in life. I have never met someone who loved children as much as Hillary does. Her love for children is evident when you hear her talk about her "kids" at school and all the goofy stories 4 and 5 year-olds tend to create. Her love does not only extend to myself, her students, or our dog, Percy. She loves her family dearly and does whatever she can to keep those relationships strong. Hilly always makes time for family whether it is finding time for a phone call, a video chat, or driving to visit in person; she is always willing to make sacrifices for the ones she loves. Finally, one of the last things I love about Hilly is how she is genuine with her emotions. She is the definition of someone who wears their heart on their sleeve. This "overflow of emotion" will at times spill out of her eyes, but it communicates fully to those around her that she cares about them.









Percival (Percy) is our 7 year old Mini Australian Shepherd Poodle. Percy is a sweet boy who loves to go for walks and play fetch with his toy burger. He also loves to cuddle with his humans. His favorite type of humans are the small ones. He is so good with kids. We have brought him to school to spend a day or two in the classroom and he loves it. Percy is going to love to have a little human in the house to play and snuggle with.



## HOME SWEET HOME

We live in the small farming community of Morrison, WI. We are very blessed to live right across the street from church and the school we teach at. We have a large yard for running and playing. We are able to walk across the street to use the school playground or gym at anytime.

We live about 20 miles from Appleton, Green Bay, and Manitowoc which provides many places we can take trips and have adventures as a family.





# Our Promise



We promise to love your child unconditionally. We promise to provide a safe home where memories will be made everyday. We want your child to know you and where he or she came from. We see your sacrifice and courage through the decision you have made. We want you to know your child is already so very loved. We promise to give all the love and care your child deserves every day.

> With Love, Jake and Hillary

"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6