



#### WE ARE JACOB AND ANDREA

We are Jesus followers and praise God for His daily grace in our lives!

We strive to honor God in all that we do and hope to bring Him glory
in the way that He created us!

Jacob is even tempered, decisive, problem solving, confident, steady in his emotions, task oriented, and humble to serve in his strong leadership while also being a team player.

Andrea is outgoing, enthusiastic, bubbly in nature, supportive, intentional, compassionate, friendly, talkative, loyal, calm, and consistent. She loves deeply and strives to make life and experiences special and meaningful for others.

We are created uniquely and very differently, but God has used our differences to complement each other well and to provide the full spectrum of traits, skills, and abilities to serve our family while connecting to our children and the different ways they were created.

Although we have many distinct differences, we are unified in values, life mission, and future goals which are truly gifts from God to have a healthy, stable, and God honoring family.















- I love Jesus with all that I am!
- I am living my dreams of being a wife and stay at home mama!
- I am licensed in Professional Counseling.
- I love health & wellness!

# Andrea

#### A B O U T M E

I love Jesus because He first loved me. I cannot get over how much He loves me to die and rescue me from my sins to have a personal relationship with Him. I get to experience and enjoy Him daily and will forever. That is my greatest hope! Out of His abundant love for me, I overflow with love for Him and others.

I believe it is our calling and purpose to love God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength and to love our neighbor as ourselves. Our closest "neighbors" and our greatest mission-field is first and foremost our family.

I am devoted to diligently raising up my children to know and fear the Lord. I am beyond blessed to enjoy and teach my children every day through fun play and educational instruction. I use my professionally learned skills and spiritual gifts to flourish as a stay at home homeschool mama.

I enjoy helping lead a church based co-op, teaching Sunday preschool, singing on the church worship team, leading Bible studies, serving teen moms in the inner-city, and having all of the fun we can fit in!

#### ABOUT ANDREA IN JACOB'S WORDS

#### "WHERE DO I BEGIN?

### She is a grounded pillar

Andrea is the most motivated, compassionate, loving person I know. In addition, she is passionate about her calling to be a wife and a mother while following after God.

Proverbs 31 provides a father's description of a godly wife, and Andrea exhibits these virtues in her daily life. She is faith-filled, seeking Jesus with all of her heart. She is faithful in our marriage, respecting and lifting me up as her husband. She is not only a loving mother to our two girls and loved by them but also loved by many others who she serves at church. She strives to be healthy, not in vanity, but in order to better love.

She serves in various areas: from home, church, and ministering to some of the forgotten in our area. She stewards her time and money not seeking more "stuff." She has transitioned from a life-changing successful counseling practice to life-giving, intentional homemaking. She cares for our home and family, creating a space of welcome, love, and comfort. Lastly, she exhibits beauty - not simply external, but more importantly is filled with inner beauty that comes from Christ.









Jacob

A B O U T M E

I am a Christ-follower, husband, and father to two beautiful little girls. In my other job, I work as an Emergency Medicine and Critical Care Physician, where I have been blessed to have the opportunity to take care of many sick and injured patients during some of their and their family's worst days. Through these experiences, I have learned to enjoy, even more so, time with family and friends while making lasting investments in their lives through loving, caring, and simply being.

I am a hard worker, committed, and yet compassionate. One of my biggest blessings is the opportunity to have a job that affords me time and energy to be home, investing in family. Furthermore, I am blessed to be able to provide for our family to help Andrea fulfill her calling to stay home.

I enjoy taking our girls on adventures such as hiking, swimming, and yard work to name a few as we all enjoy both what we are doing and who we are doing it with.

## UN FACTS

- Enjoys watching and playing sports especially basketball.
- Likes to hike and explore the outdoors.
- Spends time working out in the gym
- Is always up for an adventure!

#### "I AM HIS ABSOLUTE

biggest fan!"

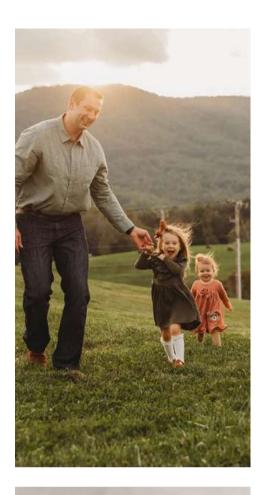
By God's favor, Jacob excels at anything he does. He is the hardest worker I know. He provides quality medical care to all of his patients and is dedicated to provide for his family without compromising quality time with us. What sets him apart is his love for God and his family. He is a family man through and through.

Our children adore their daddy!

He leads our family well, and his integrity and faithfulness make him a

**ABOUT JACOB** IN ANDREA'S WORDS

godly man.









#### WE MET IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL...

We met at our small Christian school and even though we knew of each other, we did not become best friends until late middle school. The Lord grew that affection into something much deeper as the years went on. We started "family dating" until Andrea was at the allowed age to date which gave our families insight and opportunities to get to know us and our growing relationship all within the boundaries set for us. We would go on family vacations together, church camp, and any other activity especially that centered on Christ. Even early on, we prayed to have a God honoring relationship and knew that we were made for each other. After 8 years of dating, the weekend after graduating college, we had the most beautiful wedding and embarked on a new chapter of our lives. We truly enjoy each other and the beautiful gift of marriage. Here we are over a decade later praising God for His faithfulness!





#### MCKAYLEIGH GRACE & SELAH JOY

McKayleigh (2018) and Selah (2020) are our greatest blessings. It's been our dream to love and raise children, as they are answered prayers, our miracle babies. We were told that Andrea would be unable to have children prior to them and have had 3 miscarriages since they were born, so we strongly recognize the gift of life. We pray to give our children the best life possible and to be the most loving parents we can be by the grace of God. They both are tenderhearted, kind, gentle, affectionate, playful, full of life and energy, and ask every day when we will adopt their little sibling.

They have so much love to pour out!





















#### ADOPTION HAS ALWAYS BEEN OUR PRAYERFUL DESIRE!!

We both shared feeling called to adopt during the 8 years of our dating and believed that the Lord would have that desire fulfilled during our marriage when He saw fit.

Andrea's mother was adopted and our niece was adopted as well, so we are thankful to have extended family overjoyed to celebrate how we believe God will grow our family!

We feel excited to bring a child into our home with open arms and full hearts as we prayerfully wait for our family to be made complete!

Desire Fulfilled is a Tree of life. Proverby 13:12

Not all family trees grow the same

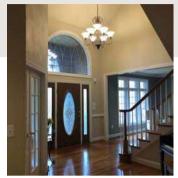


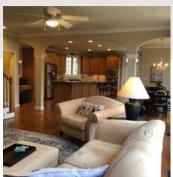
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#### HOME SWEET HOME









### The most important work we will do is within the walls of our own home...

We moved to our dream house the summer of 2022. It truly is a God story as to how He led us to find our beautiful home set high on a hill surrounded by the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia. We live in a 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath home with additional space to grow. The peaceful wooded backyard provides a safe and relaxing environment to play, host gatherings, and look for exciting wildlife. We cherish our memories together and living life here. Our children are so blessed to enjoy a blissful childhood full of vibrant learning, daily play, and family discipleship within our home. We pray that our home is not only a mission field for our own children but also a refreshing place of hospitality as we open our doors for marriage retreats that we lead and host, baby showers, Bible studies, and sweet fellowship with family, friends, and neighbors.

This is lacey



#### **ABOUT LACEY**

Lacey (2012) is our Golden Retriever.

She is the definition of sweet and loyal.

She loves being around us, exploring the woods behind our house, and her constant companionship truly makes her our best furry friend. We love our Lacey girl!

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#### OUR FAMILY

We are so blessed with an amazing support system. Our families all live within driving distance, and we make it a priority to travel to visit them throughout the year. We have so much fun with our 8 cousins (6 girls and 2 boys) and make birthdays an extra joyous occasion with a large family celebration, often in costumes based on the girls' chosen themes!

Along with having a loving extended family, we are so thankful to have a church family and homeschool community that we live life with. We are most grateful to benefit from healthy, life-giving relationships.











adventures

#### WE LOVE TO TRAVEL

Our family is always up for an adventure! We enjoy our fun filled trips to Great Wolf Lodge, local children's museums, historic landmarks as history is brought to life, and fun resorts for daddy's work conferences. We work hard and play hard as a family. Not only do we like to make special memories through vacations and trips, but we serve as a family. We love shopping for needed items for missionaries, bringing joy to those at our local nursing home, going out of our way to love the poor and needy, creating cards for the widows in our church, and delivering meals to the sick and new mamas in our church.

OUR FAVORITE PLACES EVER: HOME + ANNA MARIA ISLAND, FLORIDA WILDLIFE ADVENTURES: DOLPHIN CRUISES+ANIMAL SAFARI PARKS MAGICAL EXPERIENCES: DISNEY ON ICE + DISNEYWORLD







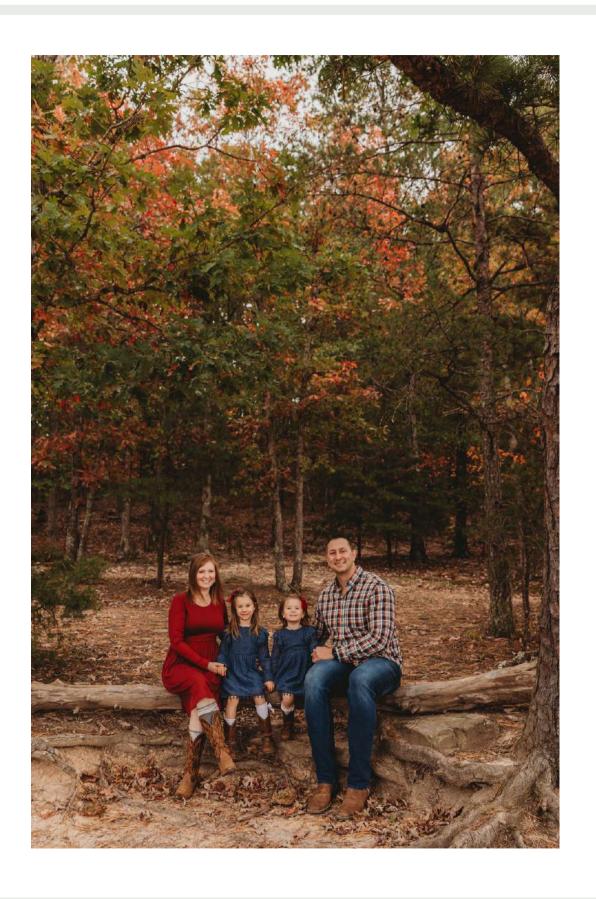
#### OUR FAMILY MISSION



DEUTERONOMY 6:5-9,18
YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD
WITH ALL YOUR HEART, WITH ALL YOUR
SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH.



1 CORINTHIANS 16:14 LET ALL YOU DO BE DONE IN LOVE.



#### A LETTER



We are so thankful that you are giving your child the gift and chance of life.

We do not know your story and all of the challenges that you have and are experiencing, but we want you to know that we have been praying for you for years! We have prayed for your and your baby's protection, health, and future. We have prayed that you would be given a beautiful peace and comfort when the Lord leads you to the family who will love, care, protect, and welcome your child into the right family. Our promise to you is to raise your precious child in the fear and knowledge of the Lord, to give our very best in love and care, and to never neglect sharing the story of the mama who gave a powerful gift, life: the gift that *you* gave. We hope that you know that you are loved and valued by our Creator God and that you too have a relationship with Jesus.

You are brave, courageous, and selfless.



We appreciate your considering us to be the forever family for your child. We would love to meet you and build a relationship with you to your comfort level. We will be flexible and respectful of your wishes. If you choose our family, please know that the communication about you will be of utmost love and respect for your selfless act of giving life.

We pray that the Lord will grant you peace and that your life will be blessed.

with love

JACOB & ANDREA MCKAYLEIGH & SELAH