

Is Adoption For Us?

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For over 15 years we had been contemplating adoption and never thought that it could happen for us. But in 2002 right before we moved to Baltimore we had a chance meeting with a visiting adoption worker from Adoptions Together that said, of course we could adopt as a same-sex couple. So the seed was planted and a couple of years later we found ourselves signing up for an informational class. From this first meeting through our 27-hour classroom instruction and on through our home study we always found ourselves welcomed completely without any hesitation. All of the advice and training we received was honest, timely and informative. Our 11 year old son has now been with us for over a year and our adoption is now complete. People are always telling us what a great thing we have done for this child, but we feel that he gives us so much more than we could ever give him. Each day is a new experience and a blessing. We would like to encourage everyone to consider adopting an older child from the foster care system. We had all the same stereotypes in our heads that everyone else has, but believe us when we say, most are groundless and your adoption worker will help you make the right choices. Now in hindsight I can honestly say we have moved from "how could we possibly do this" to "how could we possibly have not".

