**Please type answers in Binti if you are doing the online process. Please type in a word document for each prospective adoptive parent if not completing online process. It is important that your responses are honest and thoughtful. However, I do not need or want a novel :) Please answer in a few sentences or a paragraph each. Please email to above address.**

**Adoption:**

1. If you are unable to have children, describe the process that led you to adoption. How have you dealt with this as an individual and as a couple?
2. What are you preconceptions about birth parents and what reasons do you think that birth parents place children for adoption?
3. Do you anticipate feeling threatened if your child begins to ask questions about his/her birth parents and wants information about his/her adoption story? Discuss fully.
4. Do you think that you will be tempted to pretend that your child is natural born?
5. If your child does not physically look like either of you, how will you handle comments regarding his/her looks from strangers, friends, and family?
6. How do you anticipate responding to questions such as “Was I in your tummy?” and “Why did my ‘real’ Mommy give me up?”
7. Do you fear the birth mother or father as a threat to the security of your family? Discuss fully.
8. Specifically describe the type and duration of contact that you are willing to have with the child’s birth parent(s).
9. Do you agree or disagree that continuing contact of some kind with the birth parent(s) is beneficial to the child’s emotional and psychological development? Discuss fully.
10. What are you primary worries and concerns about the adoptive placement and the lifetime commitment of adoption? Please discuss fully.
11. Will you feel betrayed by your child is he/she wants to search for his/her birth parent(s)? Discuss fully.
12. If you have children, what problems do you foresee in adding another child to the family? How will you resolve them?
13. What do you see your strong points being as a parent? What parenting skills does your spouse possess?