



Leticia, Patrick & Ixchel

Hello!

Our names are Leticia, Patrick and Ixchel. We invite you to read our profile to get to know us, and most importantly to see what we have to offer a child. Family is very important to us, and we know that parenting is a lifetime commitment that takes time and dedication to raise a child in a loving, positive and caring environment. Thank you for considering us, and we hope to meet you soon



Our Annual reunion with friends



Ixchel in Acapulco



Christmas with Leticia's Parents in Mexico



Our Wedding in Cancun



We met 11 years ago in central Ohio and have been married for 9 years. We love and respect each other very much and have been blessed to have Ixchel as our daughter and we would love the opportunity to have more children in our family to love and grow with, although we have experienced infertility we are very happy and blessed to have an opportunity to be parents through adoption.

Patrick is a great father and compassionate person. He is quiet, but when you get to know him you realize that he is the kind of person to admire because he is a good friend and he knows how to support his friends and family.

Patrick works as a design engineer and cares very much about the environment. He likes to play soccer, and does yoga every morning before work. He wants to learn how to play guitar and is taking piano classes together with Ixchel. Patrick speaks Spanish, English and some Japanese too. He lived in Costa Rica for 1 year and in Japan for 1 year.

He is a good Father, uncle and godfather. He loves to play with Ixchel they have so much fun together and he would love to have another child in the family.

Patrick's family lives in northern Ohio. We visit them at Easter, Thanksgiving, and for special birthdays or events. He has 2 brothers, one older and one younger and 7 nieces and nephews. His parents were married more than 45 years when his father passed away in 2007.

Leticia Was born in Mexico City, she speaks Spanish & English and came to the USA with an International program

worked for many years in International Commerce and Tourism. Since we began fertility treatments more than 7 years ago and couldn't have children in our own, she decided that she would like to stay at home by that time she started an small catering business that she closed when Ixchel came to our lives and we started the journey to becoming parents. Leticia takes care of our daughter and runs the house preparing delicious meals for the whole family.

Leticia would love to have another child as part of our family and she will be very happy to be a new mother again.

Leticia is a very passionate person with everything she does. With her friends and family, she is a very dedicated friend who will help and support them whenever she can. She is truly the heart of our family. She is very spiritual, positive, and loves life, and she appreciates and preserves the traditions of her cultural heritage.

Since she became a mother, the most important thing is to be able to take care of her daughter and family and that always goes first. She likes to bicycle and exercise although now she has less time to do it. She likes yoga and reads biographies; she loves to cook and treasures her family recipes. She also loves gardening and Ixchel has learned from her to take care of the flowers and vegetables during summer time. Leticia volunteers in the community when possible.

Leticia's family lives in Mexico so we go to visit them at least once a year for Christmas or for special events. She has an older brother and a younger sister and 1 niece and 3 nephews. Her parents have been married for 56 years.



Mom and Ixchel enjoying ice cream



Patrick's family



Easter Sunday

Ixchel our Daughter: was born in 2012, she is 4 years old, her favorite color is blue. She is a very happy “Big Girl” as she calls herself. She is ready to become a big sister and asks about having a sibling all the time. She likes kids and is very sweet with the little brothers and sisters that go to the playground with their classmates. She loves school and her friends. She is the kind of kid that hugs and kisses her friends and family. She loves to paint and is very good at it. For Ixchel music is an important thing to have during the day and she is good with rhythms. Ixchel takes ballet, Tap and Piano lessons she also likes to sing and she is totally bilingual in Spanish and English. She loves to sing in the car and she goes everywhere with her mom. She really likes to go to Mexico and has her favorite parks there. She is so much fun! We all enjoy a good movie together. Her day always ends with a good bath going to bed having a reading by dad or a bed song by mom, kisses and good night! Ixchel knows Anita her biological mom. We get to see her often and we have a good relationship with Anita. We talk to Ixchel about when she was born and how important is Anita in our lives. We hope that little by little Ixchel understand her story knowing that we all care for her and will always be there for her. We hope to have an open relationship with a new BirthMom again.

We have a cat named Tommy who is part of our family since Leticia adopted him from a shelter in 2000. When we get home Tommy runs down the stairs like a dog in a hurry to greet us! He loves Ixchel and we all love him very much!

As a Family we like to have dinner together at home (Ixchel and Leticia eat all meals together every day). Patrick takes Ixchel on bike rides and to the park on Tuesday and

Thursdays and Leticia can go to the gym. On Saturdays Patrick makes pancakes and the three of us spend time talking during breakfast, listening to music, reviewing and planning our goals and projects. Most Sundays we attend church then we get brunch in our favorite spot in town and go to the playground. We like to go to the Festivals and meet our friends. Ixchel's favorite thing is going to the beach and the pool. We enjoy traveling to other countries and we would like to do more camping in the USA.

Family traditions are important to us. At Thanksgiving we visit Patrick's family and stay there for the long weekend. Leticia enjoys cooking with all the aunts. Everyone brings new and old family recipes to share. Patrick's mom likes to prepare holiday decorations for her house and tables. Everybody enjoys spending time with Ixchel and she gets all the attention from aunts and cousins which of course is her favorite thing to go to grandmas.

During Christmas we try to visit Mexico every other year. We stay with Leticia's family. She loves to prepare everything for Christmas Eve with her mom because Christmas Eve is the big family dinner during the holidays in Mexican culture. They also celebrate Posadas, which is a family festivity that includes a Piñata. Children love to break the Piñata to get the candy and fruit inside, and the last Posada occurs on Christmas Eve. Ixchel our daughter loves Posadas and spending time with family, friends and kids. On Christmas Eve, they play Christmas songs while cooking and the house gets a very nice ambience with the aroma of the food cooking and everybody gets excited for the dinner. After dinner, everyone enjoys time talking and waiting for the time to sing to the baby Jesus. Then around midnight we all open



presents and the party continues. Christmas day is also a day to visit other family members and friends and to eat the leftovers. Ixchel really likes this season time in Mexico.

Our home is a two-story house. It is located in a nice little neighborhood with old-fashioned houses built during the 1920s-1950s. Our neighborhood is very diverse where people like to take care of the houses and watch out for each other. We are friends with our neighbors they have children too and we like to barbecue with them during summer time. Our house has a backyard with a hammock and plenty of room to play; there is also a big Magnolia tree that provides us shade and flowers, Leticia loves plants so the ambiance is relaxing and homey. Ixchel enjoys her little pool during summer and we like to have our birthday parties there. Our friends bring their kids to play and have fun. The house also has a nice sunroom with plants We use it for reading with Ixchel, relaxing and meditation. It has become Ixchel's favorite place to paint and eat ice cream during summer.

Our neighborhood has two elementary schools, a high school, recreation center, and a big park 3 blocks from our house. This is a very nice park with a playground, a shelter for outdoor parties, fishing pond, basketball, tennis courts, and a soccer and football field in which we go during the warmer months.

How we would like a raise a child? We would love to have another child and build a bigger family together by loving them and guiding them by example. We believe in education and hard work as a key for a Successful life, having a spiritual foundation, and in respecting people and nature. We would like to raise our children in a multicultural environment, and to be bilingual as Ixchel already is bilingual. We already started saving for their education and hope for them to go to a University and travel to other countries to learn more about other cultures to gain a wide perspective of life.

We can't be thankful enough for the wonderful families we have. They support and guide us to make our dreams come true. They all love Ixchel and she loves them too. They are very excited for us to have the opportunity to grow our family.

Thank you for reading our profile and for giving us this opportunity to tell you about ourselves, our life as a family, and our dream of continuing to build our family. We have built a good, solid and happy life together, based on respect and love.

Our love and support to you!

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