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KIM WARD FROM THE CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT of the Iredell County Public Library accepts a stack of books on adoption from Samuel Fair, which he collected at his birthday party. Also shown are his parents Reverend Leo and Dr. Lisa Fair and siblings Anna, and Andrew.

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WHEN SAMUEL ASKS QUESTIONS about where he and his siblings came from, his parents answer him on his level, which at this point is a seven-year-old understanding.

"As far as Samuel knows, you get

a baby by getting on a plane and going to Texas," Dr. Lisa Fair said. "That's where we went to adopt him, his brother Andrew and now his little sister Anna," Reverend Leo Fair said.

November is national adoption month and Samuel celebrated by donating his birthday presents to

the children's department of the Iredell County Public Library. The presents were books about adoption, which Samuel's friends brought to his party, at his request, so other children can learn about adoption.

Dr. Fair is an OB-GYN and one might think adoption is an unusual

option for a doctor who delivers babies nearly every day of her life, but when talking to the Fair's it makes perfect sense.

"We learned early on in our marriage that we would either need to go the in vitro fertilization or adoption route," Lisa said. "We decided we could spend all our

time, money and energy on in vitro and maybe end up with a baby, or adopt a child that needed a home and be sure of having a baby. We chose adoption."

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