



STC 2007 BIO

Advisor Team
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I'm Cathy, wife and mom of 4. We've homeschooled for 14 years, almost 8 with SL. My ds, Tyler is 26 and married, and dd's are: Cailey 21, Jesse 17 and Skye almost 15.

I grew up in NE Ohio in an educationally-minded, evolutionist, woman's-libber kind of family. At 19 I was absolutely certain I didn't want children, and the 2 things I said I'd NEVER be were a nurse or a teacher. The Lord had a different plan for me, and at 20, I met Him and my life changed.

In 1984, after going through college as a single parent with a young son, I remarried. I worked while my husband, Benton, attended college. One daughter was born before college, and one during his 20 credit semester of engineering school in Maine. Our third daughter was born in Alabama after I became a stay-at-home mom. So now I'm a "retired" RN and my dh is a computer drafter. For over 11 years we've lived in the log home in the woods in Montana that Benton's parents built and he grew up in.

Jesse is in 4-H this year, Skye is taking some time off. They have raised pigs, sheep and rabbits. We show rabbits in open shows around the northwest, Skye was 6th in the nation last year in show points for Youth French Lop rabbits.

Homeschooling has been a tremendous adventure. We've raised a service dog, studied American Sign Language, and have a wide range of friendships. In addition to our studies with Sonlight, Jesse and I are certified therapy dog handlers for our Golden, Kamas. We visit a classroom every 2 weeks and Jesse goes to voice lessons the alternate weeks. Jesse's looking forward to a youth missions trip to Honduras this summer. Skye is really focusing on foreign languages this year. Cailey has just moved into her own apartment, quite an adjustment for all of us!

Over the years the Lord has changed a lot of my ideas and brought me to being a nurse, parent and teacher. I'm really enjoying this great opportunity to work with Sonlight and minister to other homeschoolers.

