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Over the last few years have we begun to see the second generation of homeschoolers – those adults who were taught at home and are now teaching their own children. Even though I did attend a traditional school, homeschooling was not a foreign idea to me in the high school years, and I even had friends who were schooled at home. Their method of learning influenced me and helped formulate my desire to homeschool my own children.

My husband Alex and I have three dear children who have never attended a traditional school. It's hard to say how many years we've homeschooled because we were teaching them at home even before the days of using a set curriculum or meeting the compulsory school age. Our first-born daughter Cacia is fourteen-and-a-half years old. She's quiet, strong in spirit, studious, responsible, and an over-all delightful teenager. Our second-born daughter Sara is thirteen-and-a-half years old. She's bold, creative, sensitive, and social. Our youngest son Andrew is eleven years old. He's comical, athletic, and caring.

Our Sonlight journey began over ten years ago with the Kindergarten curriculum (this was before Core PreK existed). We've completed Cores and LA K-100, and this year we're working through Core 6 (new to us since we used Alt 6 previously) and parts of 200.

I've been a Curriculum Consultant almost as long as we've been using Sonlight. The first year I partnered with another mom to bring Sonlight to our local Wisconsin convention. A chronic illness forced her to step down, and I've continued as the consultant at the main Christian convention in Wisconsin each year adding the larger Minnesota convention five years ago and another smaller Wisconsin convention last year. I've also had the privilege of working as an assistant to Jill Evely in Indianapolis the past few years.

I started as a Curriculum Advisor the summer of 2005 and have enjoyed continuing the advising year round. Working with customers and potential customers one on one has always been the most enjoyable part of being a consultant, and advising allows me to do what I love and bless others several days a week!

These years with my children at home are busy enough, but I do manage to squeeze in some other activities. I delight in directing the youth handbell choir at church and am a ringer with the Milwaukee Handbell Ensemble, a performance and instructional group. I also enjoy outdoor activities such as bicycling, hiking, rock climbing, and skiing. My life is full – full of wonderful people and wonderful work – and I thank God for his grace and goodness!



