

Aly Wagner

1st Grade

Home Church: First Baptist Collinsville

Family: single

Personal Testimony

I have been blessed to grow up in a Christian family. My parents and grandparents have been great Christian role models for me and have shown me what it means to live a life for Christ. I have grown up in the church my entire life and went to a Christian grade school and college. I accepted Christ as my savior at the age of 8. I checked out a book from the church library and at the end of the book there was a prayer to pray to accept Christ and I decided to pray that prayer. I did not make that relationship personal until my late high school years. It was during this time that God put some amazing people into my life. I was blessed to have an amazing group of youth sponsors that poured their time and love into me and really showed me what a relationship with Christ looked like. God really worked through all of these people to make me the person I am today!

Educational Background and Goals for My Classroom

I received my undergraduate degree from Greenville College in 2005 in elementary education. Since that time I have been a substitute teacher and a 3rd grade teacher in the Maplewood- Richmond Heights School District. I am now currently pursuing a master's degree from Greenville College to become a reading specialist. My primary goal for my classroom is to help my students to love learning and become lifelong learners. I want to provide them with an environment where they feel comfortable to take risks to increase their learning. Another goal I have for my students is that they will learn how to care for and work with others. I want to provide them with opportunities to work together to gain these skills. Most of all I look forward to being a Christian role model for my students because I know how important that is and how it can affect a life.