



Lori Moore

Reading Instructor

Home Church: First Baptist Church Maryville

Family: Married with three daughters

My Personal Testimony

Growing up as a child, I remember my family going to church for Easter services, but I always wondered why we didn't go the rest of the year. When I was eleven, I asked my dad if he would take me into town to go to Sunday school. Some of my friends from school would invite me, and I enjoyed going. I know God planted a seed in my heart during that year. I remember believing in God and knowing right from wrong. However, it wasn't until later that I began to understand that I was missing out on a personal relationship with Jesus. When I turned 18, I began to work and God put three people alongside me who daily shared the gospel with me. They helped guide me into God's word and back to church. At age 21, I was married and had a one year old daughter. I confessed my sins to Jesus, believed He could save me, and committed my life to Him. I had a desire in my heart to raise my daughter in God's truth, and hopefully lead her to a loving relationship with Jesus, also. I was sorry it took me so long to receive God's gift of salvation. I look back and think about all the time I missed out on with Him. Today, God continues to impact my life, marriage, and family. I live under His grace and mercy.

My Professional Background and Goals

I have had several wonderful teaching opportunities in the last 17 years. After graduating from SIU-E I began substitute teaching for the Highland School District for a semester. I was so excited when the Triad School District hired me the following school year as a fourth grade teacher. I taught in that position for four years. Then I was given the opportunity to move to first grade, where I taught for six and a half years. I left the Triad School District to stay at home with my two young daughters. The next fall, I taught a pre-kindergarten class at Kids First. The last four years I have home schooled my own children. I thank God for allowing me these experiences.

My professional goals for next year at MCS come from my strongest passion in teaching. I love to teach children to read. I step into a position as a reading teacher hoping to meet the needs of the students and teachers at MCS. My first goal is to provide small group instruction to students who need certain reading skills strengthened. I will also strive to provide support for the classroom teachers to help these students succeed while they are in their classrooms. My second goal is to provide an accelerated reading class to challenge students who are advanced learners. I will offer ideas to teachers to help them with students who need to be challenged in the classroom. I look forward to helping students reach their full potential.