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My name is Teresa Caudill Whited. I am a retired registered nurse with a deep passion for helping people find the comfort and joy of salvation through my Savior, Jesus Christ. I was born and raised in Rockdale, Wisconsin and moved to Chunky, Mississippi at the age of sixteen. I earned my associate degree in nursing from Meridian Junior College in 1983, then went on to complete a Bachelor of Science in Nursing in 1997 and a Master of Science in Nursing in 2001, both from the University of Southern Mississippi.

Over the course of my career, I served primarily at Rush Foundation Hospital (now Ochsner) in Meridian, Mississippi. I also worked for the Mississippi State Department of Health as a home health nurse and as a clinic nurse at the local health department. For a time I served as director of nursing at a nursing home, but I soon realized how much I missed the hospital environment and returned after seven months. In addition, I held positions in private duty nursing and as a weekend supervisor. Every role I accepted taught me new skills, both professionally and personally.

For the last nineteen years of my employment, I served as Infection Prevention and Control Coordinator for Rush Health Systems. As a certified Infection Preventionist, I had the privilege of supporting employees and patients through the challenges of the pandemic. I retired from that role in April 2021.

Today, I continue to serve in ministry. I am the youth instructor at Community Seventh-day Adventist Church in Meridian, Mississippi, where I greatly enjoy the energy, curiosity, and questions of young people. Since October 2005, I have also led weekly worship services for adolescents at The Crossings, an adolescent psychiatric facility. Together we sing, pray, and share a short Bible study that speaks directly to their most pressing questions and needs.

Each week, I host a women's Bible study group in my home, where I serve as facilitator. I also visit a local nursing home weekly to lead Bible studies, spend time with residents, and pray with them. In my personal time, I enjoy gardening, bird watching, studying the Bible, cooking and baking, and seeking new ways to share the love of God with others.

I was married to my late husband for thirty-one years, and since 2014 I have been married to a retired, disabled Army veteran. My life's goal is to become more and more like Jesus, to help others discover salvation through Jesus Christ, and to encourage daily growth in God's grace and love.