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This brief "biography" will help you become acquainted with me and will also suggest the format of a "bio" that you will be sending to me. The goal is for us to become acquainted. My "bio" will combine both personal and professional information.

At my age (a young 74), the challenge is to briefly select from a rich and rewarding life. I married late for my generation, and delayed starting a family until I was 33. My parents expressed their concern that I might become an "Old Maid," but I chuckled and explained that they had encouraged my education beyond other women of my generation. After graduating with a B.A. from Connecticut College for Women, I accepted a teaching position near Aspen, Colorado, and learned to attack the ski slopes with the same sense of freedom I had experienced as a child sailing on the New England coast. After two years in Colorado, I was drawn west, as adventurers before me have followed their dreams. I met my husband who was working on a Ph.D. in Physics at the University of California/San Diego, and married at the ripe old age of 26. We delayed starting a family for seven years. There were just too many adventures waiting for discovery.

I learned to balance parenting with a professional career after having two children, who were born less than a year apart. This may have caused "double trouble," but it also narrowed the window of my parenting responsibilities, besides the unexpected pleasure of having my son and daughter develop a special and close friendship. I must also credit my wonderful husband, who shared parenting tasks as "Mr. Mom."

In my professional life I adapted to different career opportunities as my husband accepted various positions in his rising career. In San Diego, California I earned a Master's degree in History while I taught high school students in a predominantly Spanish-speaking community. In Ithaca, New York my idealistic enthusiasm led me to the world of politics, and I was elected to the town council. In Austin, Texas I became an entrepreneur and started a small publishing company. When we landed in Los Alamos, New Mexico in 1981 I told my husband (tongue in cheek), "If you move once more, you're moving alone." Much to my surprise he believed me, and I accepted the blessing. Then, recognizing yet another professional opportunity I became one of the first women in the United States to be certified in commercial-investment real estate. After 15 successful years of working in an administrative and sales capacity from my office in Santa Fe, I retired at the age of 55.

Retirement has given me new worlds to explore, and I am now pursuing everything I have always wanted to do but never had time to accomplish. I returned to school to earn a second Master's degree, and then a Ph.D. Although History was the field of my youth, Biblical Studies has become my current passion. I am a professor of Biblical Studies at Trinity Southwest University in Albuquerque, and also the Executive Director and teacher for the Bible Learning University. My area of expertise is the Hebraic nature of the New Testament, which has required me to become immersed in the Hebrew Scriptures.

Because I find people in other cultures both interesting and enjoyable I travel often, not as a tourist but in a more personal way. I have studied Hebrew in Israel with Russian immigrants, been hosted by a Nubian family in Egypt, and dialogued with my African colleagues in South Africa. My husband and I recently returned from Cuba where I found I still recall the Spanish I learned years ago.

I look forward to receiving your "bio," and trust that your "adventure" in Biblical Studies will be a rewarding one.