

## OUR FAMILY and BLOGS

- In Jan 2003, Dainis and I lived in MN. We had been trying for over a year to start our family unsuccessfully. We both worked for Northwest Airlines. I decided to transition my career to Office Manager of our church to slow life down and hoped the change would help our family planning.
- Those were our plans. God's plans were to save my life first from an unexpected hemorrhagic stroke.
- After two brain surgeries and two months in the hospital, I was discharged in a wheelchair with limited use of my left side.
- We moved from MN to AZ six months post-stroke when Dainis was laid off due to the aviation slow down, and therapy became my full time job at SWAN Rehab.
- We decided to start our family in 2010 through international adoption.
- We adopted a sibling group of three from Colombia, South America in April 2011.
- We documented our adoption and parenting journey in three different blogs.
- Older child sibling adoption was an amazing journey filled with both challenges and blessings.
- Blog One:  
<https://ouradoptionjourneytocolombia.blogspot.com>
- Blog Two: <https://ourkidsfromcolombia.blogspot.com>
- Blog Three: <https://fromzerotothree.blogspot.com>

