



## Guardian's Newsletter

ABLED would like to introduce our new LIMHP who will be completing some of our Functional Behavior Assessments (FBAS).



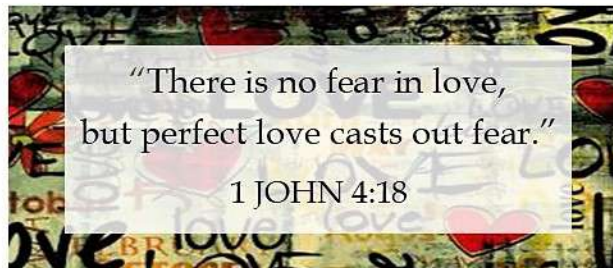
My name is Kim Schroeder. My husband, Rick, and I have a big, beautiful, blended family. We are the proud parents of 4 sons and a daughter, who rules them all. We have four whirling-dervish grandsons who keep us on our toes!

I have been working as an LIMHP since 2012 through the Fillmore County Hospital in Geneva. I specialize in working with older adults in care centers and in our clinic. I have always had a strong passion for working with both the older adult and developmental disability populations.

My husband and I both have SLP contracts currently. Our hope is to one day also manage an older adult day program for individuals with developmental disabilities.

I try to balance work, family, and fun as much as I can through going as fast as I can on a jet ski at my parent's lake house in Missouri and playing music with my old bandmates.

I am so very excited to be a part of the team at ABLED and grateful for this opportunity. Can't wait to meet you all! -Kim



*Thank You* for joining us in our mission.

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### FEEDBACK

We want to make ABLED the best agency. If you have any suggestions on how we can improve, please let us know. Your survey comments are anonymous, unless you choose to submit your name. The link is available at the top of this email.

### ABLED's MISSION

"Serving Jesus Christ by enabling developmentally disabled individuals to creatively explore and live full meaningful lives in their communities."

**COVID-19 Pandemic.** Please be advised that the Delta variant is spreading rapidly among the unvaccinated. The Delta variant is highly transmissible and causes more severe symptoms. If you still haven't been vaccinated, what are you waiting for? It could save your life or the life of someone who cannot be vaccinated.

**Appendix K.** Appendix K is over. All day services will need to be provided by employees. If staff provide or plan to provide anything other than SLP services, they will need to be set up as an employee before they begin serving. Community Inclusion requires 50% of the time to be out of the home.

**SLP Moving Reminder.** All sites where participants live must be assessed and found Fully Compliant by DHHS prior to participants moving in. We cannot pay for SLP services in a site that is not Fully Compliant.

**Emergency Safety Intervention Training.** All service providers will be required to have ESI training to serve participants starting in September. ABLED uses the Mandt System for our ESI's. We will have everyone trained in keeping with the DHHS schedule and requirements.









*It's a  
Meaningful  
Life*



## THE GLORY TO BE REVEALED by Adam Tagart

Within Western art Michelangelo Buonarroti is regarded as one of the greatest artists to have lived. Not only was he a skilled painter, but he was also a skilled sculptor creating the masterpiece statue of David. On sculpting, Michelangelo is quoted to have said, "Every block of stone has a statue inside it, and it is the task of the sculptor to discover it. I saw the angel in the marble and carved until I set him free." This is an interesting glimpse into the creative process of the great artist and craftsman, and it is something that we as Christians can apply to our own walk of faith. Our block of stone however is a hardened heart, and our vision is to set free the realization that each one of us is created in the Image of Christ and worthy of dignity; the tool we use to achieve this is unconditional love.

This vision and tool are precisely what God employed to bring his children into eternal fellowship. As students of Jesus, we are to follow our teacher and be imitators of him. Often times what it takes to wield this unique tool of the Christian faith is the ability to imagine. We imagine what it must be like to be in the shoes of another and give them the benefit of the doubt, we imagine what could be the root cause driving someone to treat us poorly and with compassion we return a blessing, we imagine that future state of universal peace and joy we are heading towards when the afflictions of this world lay heavy on us.



"The Atlas" by Michelangelo

Our imagination can be a wild animal however depending on what we subject it to. Tamed by love we are able to bless and give life; when under the control of our fear, we curse and bring destruction. When imagination is not subjected to the simple and pure devotion to Christ and by default to the passions of our flesh, we imagine things that fuel our worst fears and paranoia, we concoct conspiracies that appeal to our selfish desires, we formulate false testimony and sentence innocence to death – even death on a cross – if it challenges our sense of security.

But the one who overcame the world remained faithful to the vision and displayed the discipline to love those who would execute him with mercy, saying, "Father forgive them, they know not what they do." To this day Jesus remains hard at work chiseling away at the hardened hearts of his followers and those who have yet to come into his fold until one day fully revealing that glory that is ours through him. For now, we see dimly the glory but soon we will see him face to face.



Mosaic of "The Creation of Adam" by Michelangelo

ABLED, Inc. seeks to be an agency that is in accord with this vision of Christ. May we all be mindful of this light and easy yoke as we go about our days, and like our Savior have the discipline to let our imagination fuel our love not fear. In this way we will help one another creatively explore what it means for each of us to be uniquely made in the Image of God.