

Generations of Blessings at Turlock Christian

As I was reflecting on the history and story of TC, I was reminded of something remarkable: we have families who have been blessed by our school for **three generations!**

For those who love a bit of history (like me), the story of Turlock Christian is truly one of God's faithfulness. Our school first opened its doors in **1969**, serving just twelve students in kindergarten through second grade. By **1974**, God had blessed TC with growth, and the school expanded to include a full K–12 program. That same year, the junior high and high school campus found its home at Monte Vista Chapel, where it has remained ever since through the faithful support of the church. In **1980**, we celebrated our very first graduating class of twenty-one seniors—a milestone in TC's mission to raise up Christ-centered leaders.

As the needs of our community continued to grow, TC opened a preschool in **1989**, added infant care in **1997**, and expanded again with a second preschool campus in **2001**. Always seeking new ways to equip students, TC became the first private school in California to start its own **FFA** chapter in **2012**. And in the winter of **2016**, God provided the incredible opportunity for TC to open the doors to its very own campus for grades K–6—a place we now call home.

Through every chapter of this history, one theme has remained constant: God is and has always been faithful to Turlock Christian. We watch and pray with expectation over where He will next lead us.

The Cederlind Family

This past year, the Cederlind family celebrated a milestone—the kindergarten graduation of triplets Bowen, Barrett, and Houlden! Their sister Amelia is now in sixth grade, and little Millie is in preschool. That means there are currently **four third-generation Cederlind children** walking the halls of Turlock Christian Elementary!

The story begins with Jeff Cederlind, a TC graduate who not only valued Christian education for his own family but gave back to the school in countless ways. Jeff coached our golf team to several district championships, investing in student-athletes and mentoring them in both skill and character. He also served faithfully on the school board, helping to guide TC through seasons of growth and change. His wife, Cindy, was an outstanding first-grade teacher here in the 1980s, remembered by many alumni for her warmth, creativity, and Christ-centered teaching.

Jeff and Cindy's three sons—Mark, Derek, and Kyle—all graduated from TC, carrying forward the faith and values instilled in their home and their school. Their family operates **Cederlind Farms**, a multi-generational farming operation producing peaches, almonds, and grapes. Much like TC itself, their farm is a picture of growth, faithfulness, and fruitfulness—deeply rooted in California's soil and in our local community.

For the Cederlinds, TC has never been just a school. It is a family story spanning three generations, woven with faith, service, and a commitment to raising the next generation of Christ-followers.

The Spycher Family

The Spycher family also represents three generations of commitment to TC. Their story begins with Sheri Spycher, a proud TC graduate and standout athlete. After graduation, Sheri poured back into the TC community, serving many years in our Family Service Fellowship (FSF) parent club. Her husband, Eric, joined her in faithful service, spending years on the school board and supporting TC through both leadership and prayer.

Together, they raised three children—Bryce, Lyndzie, and Kaisa—who each made their mark on TC. All three were active in athletics, campus life, and community service. Each of them walked the graduation stage at TC, equipped not only with an education but also with a strong spiritual foundation.

Today, their legacy continues into a third generation. Bryce and his wife are raising their children in the same Christ-centered environment, with their oldest enrolled at Turlock Christian Elementary. Lyndzie and Kaisa have also remained deeply connected to the TC community, supporting school events and keeping the TC mission alive in their families.

My Family's Story

I came to TC as a junior high student in 1981 after transferring from Ontario

Christian. Years later, when it came time to choose a school for our son, the decision was clear—I knew TC would provide him with a Christ-centered education in a caring community.

Today, our son Kaleb is a sophomore at TC, thriving in both academics and extracurriculars. He plays in the band, competes on the golf team, and enjoys trap shooting—experiences that are helping him grow in discipline, teamwork, and confidence. Watching him flourish in the same Christ-centered environment that shaped me has been one of the greatest blessings of my life.

When Gerald and Corinne chose TC for their sons (our grandsons), we couldn't have been more thrilled. Corinne is an active supporter of TC, providing hot lunches each week to the elementary campus. Our grandson Hunter, a junior, is fully engaged in the FFA program and growing into a strong leader. Easton, our youngest grandson, is a joyful 3rd grader who already feels at home as part of the TC community.

For our family, TC isn't just a school—it's a place of faith, family, and a future where multiple generations have been shaped by the love of Christ.

Our Shared Legacy

Stories like these remind us of the deep value of Christian education. At TC, we don't just teach academics—we nurture **faith**, **character**, **and community that span generations**.

If you have a story like this, we'd love for you to share it.

That is what makes us TC-a school of Faith, Family, and a Future.

Blessings, Johanna Fischer Chair of the Board





