

# Adoption Blessings Worldwide, Inc.

"Uniting children worldwide with their forever families."

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## Meet Our Staff



**Tedi Martin Hedstrom**  
**Executive Director**  
[Contact Tedi](#)

Tedi attended Florida State University where she majored in Social Work and graduated Magna Cum Laude from The University Of North Florida with a B.A.E. She plans to complete her M.S.W. in the future. Tedi taught school (kindergarten, first grade, and special education) for seven years before God called her to begin Adoption Blessings Worldwide, Inc. She and her husband, Donnie were high school sweethearts, and have been happily married for more than twenty-five years. She is the proud mother of nineteen children from all over the world. Tedi enjoys traveling, spending time with her family, boating, going to the beach, going to the mountains, and delights in seeing the awesome power of God's plan at work in building forever families.



**Wendy Landess**  
**Program Manager**  
[Contact Wendy](#)

Wendy Landess is the ABW Program Manager. She has been with Adoption Blessings Worldwide since 1997. Wendy began as the Accounting Manager but fell in love with the cause and wanted to be more closely involved in the adoption process. She worked with the Special Needs program for a short time, and now works with many of the ABW programs. Wendy is very detail oriented and takes great pride in helping clients prepare dossiers properly and exceptionally. Wendy has been happily married to her husband John for ten years and they have two beautiful biological daughters, Brooke and Emma, and are expecting a baby boy who is due in January of 2006. Wendy is committed to the vision of finding forever families for orphans from all over the world and she and her family plan on adding to the family by adoption in the future.

**Becky Harmon**  
**Assistant Director**  
**Program Coordinator - Guatemala, Haiti and Russia**  
[Contact Becky](#)

Becky lives and was raised in Macon, Georgia where the ABW home office is located. Becky and her husband, Jeremy, have been married since October 2001. Becky and Jeremy are ABW clients who have adopted two sons from Kemerovo, Russia. Becky graduated in 1998 with a BA in Philosophy with a minor in Religious Studies from Valdosta State University. She has worked in the Office Equipment Leasing Industry for 5 years. In her free time she enjoys spending time with her husband, gardening and reading. She enjoys working with parents who are going through the same things that she and her husband have been through, and can directly relate to those who are going through the process.

**Luda Sardari**  
**Office Manager**

Luda Sardari is the Office Manager and Accounting Manager for ABW. Luda is from the country of Moldova, and graduated from the University of Kishinev with a Bachelors Degree in Economics in 1986. Luda has worked with Adoption Blessings Worldwide for four years, three as a volunteer, and almost two as a paid employee. Luda is married with two daughters, ages 10 and 17. She enjoys working with clients helping them in any way possible as they work through their adoption process. Luda speaks Russian, Moldovan, and English, and is always available for translating any documents for clients, as well as speaking with children adopted from Eastern Europe in their native language when they first come home to America.

**Denise Zember**  
**Family Information Coordinator**  
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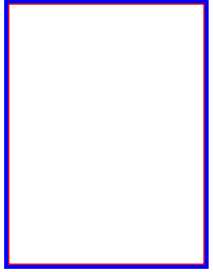
Denise Zember holds a B.A. degree from Jacksonville University. She has been a volunteer for Adoption Blessings Worldwide Inc. since 2000. She and her husband, Karl, adopted their beautiful son, Matthew, at 13 months of age from Romania in 2001, with the help of the ABW staff. In December of 2004, Denise decided it was time to become a member of the Adoption Blessings Worldwide staff and end her career as a volunteer! Denise's role is to educate prospective adoptive families on all aspects of international adoption. As an adoptive parent, Denise understands how overwhelming and frightening it can be to begin the adoption process, and is happy to be available when prospective and new clients have questions or concerns.

**Rochelle Talton**  
**Program Coordinator - China and Kazakhstan**  
**ABW Webmaster**  
[Contact Rochelle](#)

Rochelle is the newest member of our team, having recently relocated to the Athens, Georgia, area. She and her husband, Brian, a Naval Officer, have been married for 17 years. Together they have two daughters, Jada and Kina (both joined their family through adoption from China). Rochelle has worked in the legal field as a Legal Assistant and Paralegal for many years but felt a strong desire to work with adoptive families and those interested in adopting after having welcomed her oldest daughter home from China in 2001. Since that time, she has helped many families that have adopted from around the globe as well as operated her own adoption related website, [CelebrateAdoption.com](#). She enjoys helping families as they begin the exciting journey of adoption and helping them through the paperwork maze we call the "paperchase" in the adoption community. Attentive to detail and dedicated to helping the orphans in China find forever families, we are glad to have her on our team.

**Paige Moore**  
**Dossier Specialist - Guatemala**  
[Contact Paige](#)

Paige Moore has been married to Rob for twenty years. They have five children ranging in ages from 19 to 4 years old. Adoption has been in her heart from the time she was a child. Her parents adopted her younger sister from India. Paige is a former Board member of ABW, but has desired to become more active with adoptive families by helping them prepare their dossiers. She and her husband are in the process of adopting a child from the ABW Guatemala program, so she can definitely relate to the joy and anxieties that parents experience while in the adoption process.



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