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Biography

I have enjoyed working in the Early Childhood setting for sixteen plus years. My career in Early Childhood began in 1990 when I opened my own childcare center in Hinesville, GA. After moving to North Carolina I started working in various centers and enjoyed working with children. I have worked for the Halifax Community College Child Care Center for the past ten years. I am a student at the Halifax Community College pursuing my AAS degree in Early Childhood. I am currently working at the Greater Joy Baptist Church in Rocky Mount, N. C. as the nursery coordinator. I enjoy spending time with my family and friends. I enjoy quiet time and the outdoors. I would like to continue my career in Early Childhood and make a difference in children's lives. I would like to coordinate a program where children can be creative and be able to explore and express themselves through play. My goal in life is to reach out to hurting children and to give them a hope and a future.

Project-"Nature Coming Alive"

This project will enhance my science area by providing a soothing and calming atmosphere. I would like to introduce a variety of environmental sounds into the classroom, such as ocean and tropical forest sounds. I would also like to enrich our science center by adding a waterfall, a variety of rocks, a goldfish bowl, and different "safe" plants. The children will be able to listen to the environmental sounds during naptime and with headphones during center time. They would be able to explore the textures and make-up of the rocks with magnifying glasses, weights or experimenting with floating/sinking or any other experiment they might envision. I would also like to add a terrarium creating a habitat for a variety of "creepy crawly" insects for children to enjoy. When I observed how the children were so excited about seeing insects outside on the playground, I couldn't help but wonder how nice it would be for them to be able to see living things during the winter months.

