

Mianna Whidden

Ultrasound Support Volunteer



Hi, my name is Mianna Whidden, and I currently volunteer as an Ultrasound Support Volunteer. I have the opportunity to chaperone clients who are seeking an ultrasound along with each client's support person. I love being able to witness the heartbeats of babies at various developmental stages and witness the delight of the mothers and their families at seeing her own child. What led me to this position at Daybreak was the referral of a dear friend of mine who told me about the opportunity throughout the summer to support mothers, fathers, and families in preparing for raising their baby.

The concept of supporting families has been close to my heart because I was adopted and know that the Lord can redeem our stories. The Lord has been good in sustaining me throughout my early days in China at the orphanages and surrounding me with loving foster care parents.

Additionally, He allowed me to experience the beautiful picture of what it means to be adopted by what I call "My Forever Family." Forever, not because they don't die; everyone dies. Forever, because I know that whatever happens I can still call them "Mama" and "Daddy" just as I did when I first saw them in front of me as a child—where I first exclaimed, "Hi, Mama and Daddy!"



Since my adoption, God has called me to repentance and faith in Jesus Christ. God has adopted me into His family which is truly forever. Just as God used various people to support me as I grew up, I want to be an encouraging presence in other people's lives, and Daybreak is one of the ways God has allowed me to serve others.

What I especially love about Daybreak is their emphasis on sharing the resources and information needed for the mother to make an informed decision on what is best for her and her family. Their purpose is not to pressure the mother to make the "right" choice, but to show her the support and resources available. Some of these resources they provide, for example, are maternity and baby clothes, other baby items, support groups, and parenting classes to care for the mother, her child, and her family.

I have enjoyed my time at Daybreak as an Ultrasound Support Volunteer. It has been rewarding to witness the joys of a new life—a baby that is entering into the family that they may soon be able to call "My Forever Family."

Daybreak nurse sonographers perform 46-50 ultrasounds every month here at Daybreak and are in need of Ultrasound Support Volunteers. If you are interested in applying for this position, complete the online application at [friendsofdaybreak.org/volunteer-opportunities/volunteer-application/](https://www.friendsofdaybreak.org/volunteer-opportunities/volunteer-application/).