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2004 Ladies European Tour, Australian Ladies Masters • 2003 U.S. Women's Open, Futures Tour, Kosaido Asain Tour • 2002: Australian Women's Open, Futures Tour, Kosaido Asain Tour • 2001 Turned Pro, Speech Communication Degree-University of Minnesota

Reflecting back on my childhood, I recall many painful experiences due to my family being broken by gambling and alcohol abuse as well as divorce. I got through these challenging times keeping busy with typical things: school activities, sports, boys and Church. All along, I remembered the stories in the Bible and had heard about Jesus, but I choose not to make Him a part of my life.

At age 18, I had a life changing experience ... feeling quite homesick and struggling with golf at the University of California-Berkeley, I decided to attend my first Bible study group. I soon realized that God was in fact speaking directly to me through the Bible. He was letting me know He truly cared for me and what I was going through. I felt an incredible peace within my heart because I knew that He was real and He was comforting me. As I continued to study the Bible and spend time with the Lord through prayer, I learned more about Christ's love for us and His perfect plan for our lives.

Favorite Bible Verse: Proverbs 3:5-6