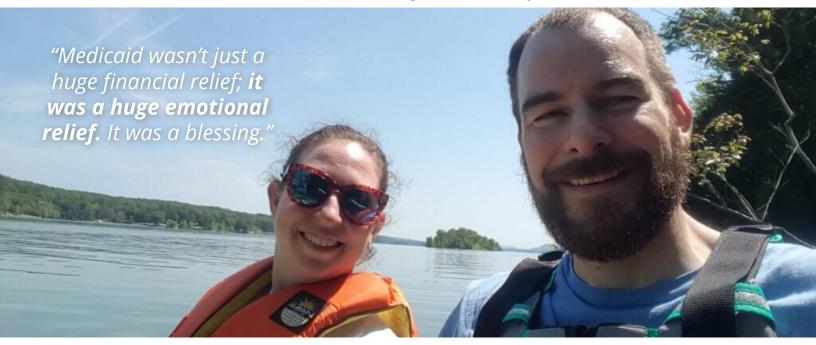


When A Family Needs a Blessing

Steve S. - Lexington, Kentucky



That's Medicaid shares stories of people covered by Medicaid at critical points in their lives, underscoring the importance of stable health insurance coverage in building a Culture of Health.

When **Steve** and his wife Erin returned to the United States from serving in the Peace Corps in Uganda, Erin was pregnant and Steve did not have the financial resources to cover the needs of his growing family while he was applying to seminary school.

Although he won a scholarship to the Lexington Theological Seminary that included some financial aid, Steve found that he did not have enough resources to cover the needs of his growing family.

While the Peace Corps covered the delivery of their son, the couple knew they needed help after that.

Following the birth, the family went on Medicaid, giving Steve the peace of mind he needed to complete his degree.

Steve is now in his seventh year as a pastor and Erin is a registered nurse. Their family is no longer receiving Medicaid benefits and they are thankful the program was there when they needed it.

"We couldn't have raised our family without Medicaid," Steve says. "It wasn't just a huge financial relief; it was a huge emotional relief. It was a blessing."

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