

Step Parenting:

1. With so many divorces today, what is it that parents should think about before getting into another relationship?
2. Tell us about the roles of step parents.
3. What are some tips you can give to help with communication issues.
4. How do finances play into planning a new step family?
5. How does one go about introducing the new person to your children?
6. What problems can differences in family rules and discipline cause and what is best way to handle this?
7. I imagine privacy is a real issue when blending a new step family. What suggestions do you have to keep your marriage together with this lack of privacy?
8. Introducing a new baby into a step family can cause many different issues, both good and bad. What are some of these issues and how can you deal with them?
9. What impact do children with problems have and how can you tell if a step child is having a problem?
10. Teenagers - do they have special adjustment issues?
11. Adult children – are there adjustment issues? If so, what can be done?
12. What are some things to consider when searching for a new home for your blended family?
13. Many families today are cross-cultural. What are some ways to make everyone comfortable in this type of situation?
14. There are other people to consider when blending a family and that is the extended family. What is an extended family and how do they affect your new family?
15. Holidays can be stressful just as they are! What are things to consider when making holiday plans? Who all should be involved in the planning? What if there are conflicts in the scheduling?

16. What is one of the most important papers that you need when caring for your step children and why? (medical release form)

Michele, what is your next adventure?