



January 29, 2008

Praise

God provided over \$10,000 in end of the year gifts. This took care of our deficit and will help us as we enter the new year.

Ryan will turn 4 years old on February 10.

Prayer Requests

We will be traveling to Little Rock in February. We will spend several weeks visiting with current ministry partners. We are also trusting God to expand our team in the area.

Please pray for our family's health as we visit Arkansas.

We enjoyed reading the Christmas letters that we received for many of you. We liked seeing how your kids are growing and how God is at work in your lives. This month we wanted to give you a glimpse into our lives.

Katy

Katy had a year of ministry opportunities. From handing out Survival Kits with her Dad to gathering books to donate to a local Childrens' Hospital, Katy thoroughly enjoyed sharing God's love. Her most recent opportunity was to share her testimony at our church's Christmas Eve service. Katy did an awesome job of communicating the gospel as she shared what Christmas meant to her. You can see for yourself by visiting http://bridgforthfamily.com/katy_testimony.htm.



One of the biggest changes for Katy this year was getting glasses. She has had a really good attitude about it and adjusted very well. One of Katy's goals for 2008 is to learn to write in cursive.



Ryan

One of the highlights of the year for Ryan has been learning his letters. He is always asking us how to spell different words as he writes them down. Ryan is now beginning to recognize many words as we read the Bible together at night. He is really excited about learning how to read. Anne has promised to start teaching him after his birthday in February.

Lydia

Lydia's year was marked by change. She is at the age where she is passing a lot of milestones. Her vocabulary is expanding daily. She is currently working on animal sounds. Her favorite is "moooooo." Lydia loves to get into whatever her brother and sister are doing.



Anne and Jeff

This is Anne's third year of homeschooling Katy, and she loves it. Anne is also looking forward to teaching Ryan how to read, starting in February.

Anne's favorite night of the week is Monday, when she meets with other moms in a Bible study. The group has been studying 1 and 2 Samuel. She loves applying God's word to her life with this community of women.

Jeff loved taking Katy with him to help pass out Freshman Survival Kits at a local community college. It was a special time of involving her in a tangible ministry experience.

Jeff enjoyed spending the summer in Colorado, attending a Web design conference in Boston, and spending a couple of days with a close friend at the end of his trip to Budapest, Hungary last March.



Photo Album

Pictures (clockwise from top left)

- Ryan concentrates while building a castle at Home Depot's Kids' Workshop.
- Katy and Ryan are growing up. According to Mom's (not so accurate) measurements, Katy is 4'2" and Ryan is 3'5."
- Katy shows off her completed castle.
- Lydia loves playing with letters on the fridge.

