

I begin this Christmas season reflecting on moments of rejoicing and sorrow.

As you may remember, Craig lost his mom in February. We rejoice that she is with the Lord who she spent her life following. We grieve as we miss her here. Roger, Craig's dad, spent from mid-May to mid-June with us. We had a sweet time together.

This spring, Karis was accepted into the Dietetics program at UNC Greeley. She continues to study her minor in Japanese. On May 14th Karis left for a two-month internship with Cadence in Okinawa. She mainly worked with youth at Camp Foster alongside other Cadence staff. She loved being there!! She even had opportunities to practice her Japanese. It was a growing and stretching experience for her, one she thoroughly enjoyed. We rejoice that she had the opportunity to serve in this way. Pray for her in her studies and as she continues to work at *Margie's*, a local coffee shop.



We praise the Lord for His faithfulness to Nathanael in providing an internship in Diesel. On May 11th, Nathanael graduated from the Community College of Aurora with an Associates of Applied Science- Diesel Power Mechanics degree. His program ended June 26th at which time he began full-time employment at Bobcat of the Rockies. He had worked part-time with them throughout the program. His apprenticeship requires a two-year commitment with them, and he is excited about that. Pray for him to continue well in the journey of full-time work, benefits, housing, and all of those new young adult things.

This summer, my brother took us on another fishing trip to Canada. What a special time together! It was the first trip the four of us have been together on in many years. We ate walleye, played games, napped often, and had many great moments of conversation across the hulls of the boats. I am always amazed at the majesty of that remote place. I am reminded of how great and artistic our Creator is and how small and needy I am.

This fall, Craig and I attended both the Cadence Leadership Summit and Field Leader Summit. What a joy it is to seek the Lord together for the direction and shepherding of our mission. Throughout the year we traveled much, meeting with each of our field staff. This is the joy we have- sharing life with and shepherding those who care for our military so sacrificially.

We close out this year with family gathered, one of my greatest joys! Karis is home for few weeks, Nathanael has a week off and Roger, Craig's dad is here in Colorado with us. Shortly after he arrived he was admitted to the hospital and was diagnosed with AFib and Congestive Heart Failure. He is home with us now as I write this. We are praying for God's guidance in the days ahead as dad faces this new reality in his life. We look forward to moments around the tree and table together, showing him how much we love him!

I pray that as you gather around the tree and table you will find ways to show love to those in your family. May you reflect on the joys and sorrows of the year, and as you do, I pray that the Lord would remind your heart of His love, goodness and care. We wish you a blessed Christmas. We thank God for each one of you!

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