



# Merry Christmas 2009!

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*"Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us." – Matthew 1:23*

Dear family and friends,

This year has turned out to be a year of new experiences for us.

Looking back, we have grown a lot and loved a lot and shared many good times with loved ones.

We started off in January by going on the list to get a foster child placed in our home. We had previously only provided short term care so this would be a change for us. At the end of the month, we got a call about a 3 year old girl. We had Bailey from the end of January until the beginning of June. We learned our way through the system, learned that 3 year olds can have 10 cavities, learned about lice, and learned a lot about princesses and Tinkerbell. She moved from our house to her brother's house, but we have heard that her mom should be getting her back next spring. We feel that she was a great first foster experience for us and we pray that we did all we could to help her and her family.

In February, Nate turned 30 to a surprise party at a local fondue place and Hannah turned 1 with Winnie the Pooh and friends! Grandpa and Grandma Diltz were able to come help celebrate.

In March, we took a trip home to Texas to visit. Hannah and Bailey got to drive Grandpa's tractor see an armadillo.

In April we discovered we were expecting our second baby. Gram and PawPaw Moehring visited in May, and we found out we were having a boy in June while Grandpa and Grandma Diltz were visiting.

In July, we were able to attend the Henry Reunion where 65 of the 72 living descendants and in-laws of Becca's maternal great grandparents met for a weekend of fun and games. This was followed by a visit to her Grandparents house with many of her aunts, uncles, and cousins. We also squeezed in a visit with the Hamiltons in Wisconsin.

August was a busy month at work and we joined a new church after almost a year of searching for a better fit.

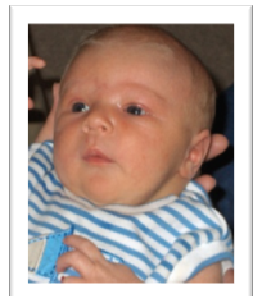
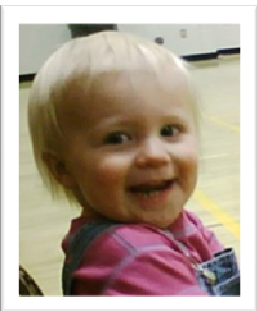
In September, we were able to take a trip to Idaho to visit Nate's brother and family who had just moved there. We also went through the process of hiring a part time nanny to watch Hannah while Becca works. The interviewing and trial day process was new and somewhat frustrating, but we are very happy with the young lady we hired and hope that we'll be able to keep her for a while.

In November, we welcomed Benjamin Henry Moehring to our family. He was 8 lbs 13 oz, 20 ¾ in, 14 ½ in head circumference, and 4 days late. He had a little bit of jaundice, but it cleared up quickly with the bili-blanket. His circumcision was a new experience for us (but was not fun). We had both sets of grandparents out to our house for Thanksgiving dinner and to play with the grandkids.

December holds the remainder of Becca's leave and a trip to Colorado for Diltz Christmas with two little ones!

We love all of you very much and pray God will bless you richly in 2010,

Nate, Becca, Hannah, and Benjamin



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