

Dear Family and Friends.

Merry CHRISTmas & Happy New Year!! With 2011 officially behind us it has been fun looking back at the journey God has brought us on. He has blessed us in so many ways since our summer move to Spokane. Probably the most exciting blessing is scheduled to arrive this coming summer. That's right, Jenny is expecting our first child June 14th. Both Jenny and baby are in good health, so aside from her desire to sleep all the time ☺ she has felt really well! All the brothers & sisters-in-law have gladly offered their names up for baby...Jordan may have made the most convincing argument though, pointing out he's willing to have it go for either boy or girl! ☺

My first semester at Moody Aviation was everything we hoped it to be. It focused on getting everyone through the private pilot course. Being able to learn from instructors who have gone overseas and actually done what we are all training to do has definitely been an incredible learning experience. Along with the flying every semester, each student is also required a number of hours in the hangar actually working on and maintaining the airplanes. Between this and the maintenance seminars we participate in, life continues to stay busy. The official start date for this coming semester is January 17th. In transitions, as the second semester is referred to, we are taught to fly bigger and more complex airplanes such as the Cessna 206, 182 and 185.

God continues to bless us beyond what we can imagine. We moved into the house we mentioned in our previous letter the beginning of October. It has been really fun making the house into our home. Next up—fixing a baby room! ☺ Jenny got a job at Valley Hospital & Medical Center, located only four miles from the house, and is fitting into her job nicely. She works evening shift (3-11:30pm) on a fast-paced Med/Surgical-Ortho unit and continues to thoroughly horrify me with patient bowel movement stories. I can thank the German family for her openness & timing in this area, which tend to get shared over meals! All I know is, without a doubt, she will be highly qualified for diaper duties come June & I intend to remind her of this.

Finally, we are pleased to say the application process with MPAS was completed. We are officially members of the mission. It's exciting as we continue to take steps in being mission field ready and continue to be blessed by your interest & partnership with us.

In Him,
Ryan & Jenny

Prayer Requests

Jenny & baby will remain healthy.

Funds to complete flight school will come in.

Continued prayer for the political situation in Venezuela

Upcoming presidential elections there are October 7, 2012. (Big year for here & there!)

Continued safety for the upcoming semester.

Praises

Jenny & Baby Dawson's health

Jenny's job.

MPAS membership completion

Safety in flight.