



Merry Christmas



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*Oh holy Child
of Bethlehem,
Descend to
us, we pray;
Cast out our
sin and
enter in
Be born in us
today.
We hear the
Christmas
angels
The great
glad tidings
tell;
O come to us,
abide with us,
Our Lord
Emmanuel!*

*Taken from
"Oh Little Town of
Bethlehem"
Words by Phillips
Brooks*



Merry Christmas family and friends! Time again for our annual David family update.

It has been a big year for the Seattle branch of the David family tree and this month in particular will be a very big month! We are expecting our second kiddo on December the 9th by C-section — a boy if the ultrasounds are correct. We plan to enclose the birth announcement with this letter so this will probably be old news to you by the time you read this letter. Andrew and I have yet to decide on a name, but his big brother had no trouble at all with this crucial choice. Months ago he christened him "Buckaroo Doughnut Forklift." Buckaroo came first, inspired primarily by the funny sound of the word. Doughnuts and forklifts are a couple of his very favorite things so the reason for those choices is more obvious. For a long time he insisted that this must be his "real name" but we have now talked him accepting it as a nickname. Phew!

Now the whole naming thing may have left you with the idea that Matthew is anxiously awaiting his brother's arrival. That is not quite the truth. He has a firm grasp on the fact that adding a sibling to his life will require sharing mom and dad, and some of his toys which does not thrill him. He also is not fooled by the suggestion made by many that he will love playing with his new baby brother. Many of his friends have new baby

siblings and they clearly are no good for "hide and seek" or building blocks! Some of his famous comments on the topic include "Can we return the baby if it's a bad baby?" and "Who will Buckaroo's mommy and daddy be?" That second one came just when I thought he had a firm understanding of the whole situation. Oh well! Back to square one.

In other news Andrew and I have continued with our same companies and jobs through the last year. I still spend most of my time being a mommy and work one day a week to keep up my nursing skills. Andrew is still with Medtronic. We praise God for giving both of us such stable jobs with great companies.

We have also officially settled into our home in Sammamish, WA this year. I can now find the ketchup at the local grocery store without a 15 minute hunt and know where the shortest line for a Starbucks coffee can be found at various times of the day. It feels like home! Matthew still misses the attic and tree swing from the old house, but our closer proximity to Grandpa and Grandma Eddy's house more than makes up for



it.

I shall end with a quick tree hunt story since it is a tradition after all. This year we are blessed to have Andrew's parents with us for the month of December so the five of us set out for Home Depot (one of Matthew's favorite places in the whole world because of the high concentration of the earlier mentioned forklifts). I have seen Andrew go from novice to pro in our 8 Christmases together. This year, as I am very pregnant, he had to do it almost all on his own from tying the tree to the car to putting up the lights. Matthew would claim that he helped all along the way, but Andrew's success even with the "help" of a 3-year-old only speaks more to his skill!

Time to sign off once again! We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year!

Sincerely,



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