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the MACKAY family

MAKING AN IMPACT FOR ETERNITY

LIFE IN THE UNITED STATES



AWANA

Austin has been helping out with the Sparks group (grades K - 2) at our home church in Wheaton on Sunday nights. Then on Mondays, he attends the AWANA program for jr. high at a neighboring church.

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February is a very busy *Missions Month* at our home church in Wheaton, IL. We are speaking at many Sunday schools, small groups, and other venues. We will then speak at Monona Oaks Church, in Madison, Wisconsin, on March 8, and Windy City Community Church, Chicago, IL, on March 15th. Come see us if you live nearby.

David has completed a rigorous schedule of speech team meets on Saturdays in the fall and January. He excelled in his impromptu division. He and Austin love attending Youth Group at FBC Wheaton, and are enjoying the friendships that they have built. Caleb and Austin look forward to attending AWANA nights every week, and both raced pine wood derby cars in the AWANA Grand Prix. Caleb enjoys playing trombone in his school's jazz band.



Please continue to pray for both our moms as they face the end chapters of their lives on earth. We are so grateful for their testimonies of faith and their spiritual influence in our lives.



The Nuts and Bolts

Several have asked about our current financial situation in light of the economic crisis that our nation is facing. It is by faith that we continue on in our journey of serving Him at Faith Academy, in the Philippines. We too have wondered what the future holds when we focus on the news and stories of cutbacks, lay-offs, foreclosures, and bankruptcies. It is only when we turn our focus back on Him that we are able to step out and depend on Christ and His people, to fund our family's ministry overseas. As we anticipate a mid-June departure, we need to discover additional support before we return.

We need an additional \$800 a month in ongoing support. We also need to find \$5,000 in one time gifts to cover outgoing expenses. Would you prayerfully consider how God's Spirit would challenge you to be a part of reaching our goal? **In an attempt at streamlining expenses and updating our database, we request that you fill out the enclosed information sheet and return it to us in the included addressed, stamped envelope.**



Thank You

Thanks to each of you for your faithfulness in praying, communicating and giving, as you partner with us to fulfill Christ's Great Commission.

Blessings,
Don and Kristen MacKay

