

JENNIFER

Jenn had another busy year as Chief Operations Officer for the Hanly family. The arrival of Josiah was certainly the high-point of the year for her, but a lot happened even before that. She started off the year sensing that the Hanly family was to contribute in a significant way with the tsunami relief effort. In addition to successfully holding down the Hanly fort pregnant while Eric was overseas for 2 weeks, she also served as the coordinator for the lightning-fast mobilization effort necessary to package and send the team to Banda Aceh in January. Finally, she served as a clearing house for the satellite phone news coming in from the field.

Jenn continues to serve faithfully as the prayer coordinator for the neighborhood Bible study group that meets in our home, and she still loves hanging out with Janna at "the farm." Travel highlights included 3 nights in the Bahamas with Eric and a trip to FL to celebrate her dad's 60th b-day.

Jenn spent the month of August getting Paulina oriented to her new life in Baltimore—finding a car, getting a driver's license, registering at UMBC, etc. In addition to being a great help to Jenn, Paulina has also become a good friend, and the two enjoy going to movies and working out while Eric and the kids sleep!



Jennifer the proud mommy of 3

HANLYS' 2005 @ A GLANCE

- Jan** -Eric in Indonesia for tsunami relief
- Feb** -Skiing w/ Brian in CO, Helms visit
-Eric & Jenn in Bahamas for 8th anniv.
-Jenn/Sheri in FL for Don's 60th b-day
- Mar** -Stephen Hanly visits from Australia
-Eric in CA for 1st telesurgery in USA
-Eric skis 2 ft Tahoe powder w/ Nick
- Apr** -Jenn at Grace (GFC) women's retreat
-Eric at SAGES, Ft Lauderdale, FL
- May** -Josiah Osborne Hanly born May 2nd!
-Eric in Chicago for SSAT
-Susan visits and helps w/ Josiah
-Outer Banks, Floyds/Helms/Peytons
- June** -Silent retreat at Loyola for Eric
-Paulina visits
- July** -Mical turns 4 on July 4th!
-Eric starts residency at Hopkins
-Don visits to meet Josiah
- Aug** -Micah turns 2 on August 1st!
-Paulina arrives and saves the day
- Sept** -Surprise party for Jenn at Melting Pot
- Oct** -Jenn helps Janna paint new house
- Nov** -Matt Osterander visits
-McEnroe/ Navratilova tennis event
-Lots of fam/friends for Thanksgiving
-Retreat at Inn of Shepherd for Eric
- Dec** -Kandi, Mary-Christine, & Alli visit
-Jenn & kids in Atlanta for Christmas
-Eric on call at Christmas



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Hanly 2005 Christmas Letter



Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

As we reflect on 2005—a year notable for natural disasters from tsunamis to hurricanes to fires and earthquakes—we have felt called to reflect not only on the atoning first coming of Jesus, 2 millennia ago, but also on the hope of his triumphant return, an event which seems nearer and nearer all the time. We pray that this season will be marked for you by times of fellowship with family and friends, and times of reflection on the birth & purpose of Jesus of Nazareth.



**The Lord himself will give you a sign:
The virgin will be with child and will give
birth to a son, and will call him
Immanuel.** — Isaiah 7:14

ERIC



Eric performs an operation in Indo.

Eric finished his 5 years of service in the Air Force this year and began in July his 1st of 4 years of general surgery residency training at Johns Hopkins Hospital. While work hours have improved somewhat since 2000 when Eric was an intern (now limited to 80 hrs per week), the schedule is still brutal. Eric's life has essentially been reduced to work, family, and the occasional post-call kayaking trip down the Gunpowder.

In his last 6 months as a surgical research fellow with the military and Johns Hopkins, Eric presented his work at a number of national meetings & enjoyed a few additional vocational successes. Most notable was participation in the first ever robotic telesurgery in the U.S. (over the internet from Ohio to California). Eric was also selected for promotion to Major, but declined in favor of pursuing his new life as a civilian.

God provided Eric a unique service opportunity early this year as a member of a small team of docs, nurses, and translators who provided medical relief in small villages just outside Banda Aceh, Indonesia a few weeks after the tsunami disaster.

Unfortunately, Eric is on call over Christmas, so he will be missing his sweethearts while they are in Atlanta w/ Susan, Bill and family.

MICAL



Mical the loving big sister

2005 was an exciting year for Mical. Mimi continues to take her to dance class every Saturday morning at Towson University, and, in the spring, Papa enrolled her in a beginning swim class for 3-year-olds at the Maryland Athletic Club (which Mical routinely refers to as, “My MAC!”). She took such a liking to it that Papa has since enrolled her in private lessons every Thursday morning. While the lesson is only 30 minutes long, Mical is routinely exhausted when she gets home, and she has actually resumed sleeping during her Thursday afternoon quiet time (“Mommy, I’m really tired, I need a nap!”). She can now swim the back stroke the entire length of the pool without assistance! Her parents are very proud. ☺

In addition to her newfound athletic prowess, Mical is also proving herself to be quite the little student. This September, Jenn began some preschool home schooling with her, and she is well on her way to reading & writing. The best part is that she really loves it.

Mical remains partial to “Baby Wamie” (which she can now pronounce correctly when she feels like it), but her favorite toys (next to her brothers, of course) are now her “My Little Ponies.”

MICAH

Micah continues to be the most precious little rascal ever. He is definitely “all boy” and Daddy loves it! Micah loves to growl at you, tackle you, head-butt you, or whatever other senseless machismo move his dad teaches him. But Micah is also in touch with his feminine side, as he *loves* shoes! He will, if you let him (which Daddy doesn’t), spend all day trying on every pair of shoes in the house, including every last pair of pink high-heeled princess slippers he can find.

While we were beginning to get a little concerned about his apparent lack of verbal development, in the last month Micah’s speech has really taken off. He can now identify and name the color of things, and he can ask for whatever he desires (“Mama, I want apple juice,” or “I want Appickle.” (Popsicle)). But right now, his favorite thing to say is, “Look at meem, Daddy!” Mimi continues to take Micah to “music class” (Kindermusik), so when we drive by the church where this takes place, he routinely points and says, “Meem!”

However, the sweetest thing about Micah is his love for his baby brother, “Babby Juice.” Micah holds the hand of his little brother in the backseat of the car without fail!



Micah drives “Sis” around the park

JOSIAH



Josiah at 2 and 5 months of age

The newest baby addition to the family is Josiah Osborne Hanly, born on May 2, 2005. The weeks preceding his delivery were a bit of a roller-coaster ride for mom and dad. First off, *she* turned out to be a *he*! Secondly, with a history of 2 preemie deliveries under her belt, and some early dilation at only 26 weeks, Jenn was ordered to cease all activities requiring even the slightest effort. While this was a near impossible task for a mother of 2 toddlers, Jeri helped out a lot, and even hired a maid to clean the house for Jenn every 2 weeks until her delivery. Anyway, the persistence of Jenn’s “high risk” OB paid off, and Jenn ended up being induced at 39 weeks!

Caring for a full-term infant was full of pleasant surprises for Mom and Dad—like Josiah actually staying awake to nurse, gaining weight right away, not requiring treatment for jaundice, and sleeping through the night by 5 weeks of age! Josiah has, without question, been the easiest and happiest of the Hanly babies thus far. Of course, this fact frequently causes his parents to wonder if it’s really that Josiah is easier, or that Mom and Dad are just less freaked out! I guess there’s only one way to find out about that! ☺

PAULINA

With Jenn’s work-load having increased by 33%; with Eric being at home very infrequently because of residency; and with Jenn desiring to begin home schooling with Mical, continue loving her husband, and generally keep her sanity, it became apparent that the Hanlys were going to need some help.

As monolingual Mom and Dad also really wanted the kids to grow up speaking 2 languages, understanding different cultures, and having a vision for the whole world, they began praying (well over 2 years ago now) for a Spanish-speaking helper. God answered that prayer through Paulina Gutierrez (aka “Beep Beep”), a student leader in Campus Ventures at NW Community College where Jenn’s sister and brother-in-law (Sheri & Cody) minister.

Paulina moved from Mexico to the U.S. when she was 10, and she has turned out to be everything that we had hoped and prayed for (and then some). Since Paulina joined the family in mid-August, Eric and Jenn have had weekly “date nights” for 14 straight weeks. Paradoxically, despite residency and the new baby, Eric and Jenn can honestly say that their marriage is better than it’s ever been because of Paulina. Trust us, you can’t wait to meet her!



Paulina with the Kids