

***Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel (which means 'God is with us'). Isaiah 7:14***

### FROM THE LYON FAMILY—MERRY CHRISTMAS 2008

It is hard for Lupita and I to believe that the 1st half of the 2008-09 school year is half completed. It seems like only a short while ago we had our graduation/promotion program at the Sahuarita Auditorium. Time flies when you are busy and as many of you know the Lyon family has been trying to do its best, as we literally seek God's heart in helping children and their families who are in need of a committed, academically excellent, safe environment, Bible based K-12 school.

Our motto has been "Keep Moving Forward With God" that is "...with God all things are possible." So we stay focused on what is ahead and look to God to provide the way, the means and yes, His timing. As we look back, we are humbled by all of the impossibilities that God has made possible. Not only at Sahuarita Christian Academy, but in our lives and the lives of so many others that God has called to partner with us in this endeavor. These partnerships have taken many forms such as prayer, encouragement, donated time, donated materials and donated funds.

It seems like God has not been concerned so much about the size of the contributions as much as He simply has called so many of us to do what we can to help these children. I have been amazed at how our partner list has grown this year and the diversity from all walks of life, geographic locations and how God has utilized both Christian and non-Christian alike.

It is our hope that all, both Christian and non-Christian, will truly understand that what has happened here, what is happening and what will be happening with Sahuarita Christian Academy is what a friend of ours simply calls, "God-Works". Our successes are not because of us or some other person nor entity, but, that this, has simply grown because God has willed it to, for His reasons, and for His purposes. We are both humbled and honored to be a small part of His work.

Back in February of this year, I felt that God simply wanted us to seek His heart, and if we will do so, He will lead us in the things that we should be doing, with our time, our resources and most importantly our relationships.

Lupita and I have been overwhelmed with the amount of prayer requests and the needs that so many of us have recently due to the economic down-turn. However, we need to remind each other that God, the Creator of the Universe is in control of everything. So as the New Year, 2009, approaches quickly and with it brings much uncertainty, let us seek hope in Gods words to Joshua; ***Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.*** Joshua 1:9

On a personal note, Sofia turned 6 the day after Thanksgiving and Joshua turned 3 this last week and Lupita also celebrated a birthday the beginning of December. Sofia has been doing well and has had no signs of any Cancer returning, praise God. Sofia continues to amaze us with her academic progress and her ability to memorize scripture. Joshua still remains a very small 3 but has a huge smile and warm personality to go with it. Lupita watches over all of her students, volunteers and teachers like a mother hen caring for her baby chicks. And I remain a dedicated advocate to the vision God has given me, making sure that children, regardless who they are, from all walks of life have an equal choice and the ability to attend a safe, academically excelling school that is focused on the mission of training the newest generations and the generations to come according to God's mandate stated in Psalms 78.



We continue to thank God for you and give God all the glory and praise, and may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Serving Him Together, ***David, Lupita, Sofia & Joshua Lyon***

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