



The Cox Family
Miriam, Donna, Micah Joy, Paul, & Nehemiah at DTS

Cox Newsletter

December 2004

As we reflect upon this past year, we can say that it has been very interesting, not necessarily what we expected, although very blessed. We were hoping to reveal our post seminary plans to you in this newsletter. We have prayed, we have fasted, we have researched, we have communicated...the big news is ...God is good, His timing is perfect, He knows the plans that He has made for us, He has given us peace, He is worthy to be praised and we have no clear direction except that it is still our hearts desire to return to Africa.

Paul just finished a grueling week of finals. He is now $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way through seminary. Lord willing he will graduate next December from Dallas Theological Seminary (DTS). He is still counseling with Christian Counseling Associates part time. In his not so abundant spare time, He is practicing his guitar and leading Children's worship every other month with Donna.

Instead of taking finals, Donna just finished grading finals for her two classes at the community college. She will only teach one class this spring due to another very big and exciting opportunity. She has been asked to write a

curriculum for a Healthy Family Play Grant. This project will be piloted later in the spring in homeless shelters in several target cities. She hopes to be able to help see it through the pilot, rewrite and training stages. In her spare time, she is volunteering at the Kids' school and at church.



Mission Agencies Checklist

- x Mercy Ships
Great concept! Doubtful for our family at this time*
- ✓ Trans World Radio
Strong Possibility of working on new AM project in West Africa*
- ? Africa Inland Mission
In the process of discussing some possibilities*



Miriam, Micah Joy and Nehemiah
Texas Style

The kids changed schools this fall. They are going to a classical magnet school and we all LOVE it. Nehemiah (2nd grade) has taken quite an interest in piano and drama. One of his classmates lives down the street. This relationship has given Nehemiah the ability to develop his interest for electronic games, balance, balance, balance!

Micah Joy (kindergarten) and Miriam (preschool) are loving the social life that school generates as well as gymnastics at the community center. We had the joy of seeing them perform at a local mall this past weekend. They are quite the performers!

This fall we cut back on the extra-curricular activities and have enjoyed our time just being together and playing. We have also tried to travel more and catch up on friends. Don't be surprised if we call or show up at your door some Saturday morning or better yet why don't you call us and show up on our doorstep, we love company!

Praises	Prayer Requests
One more year of seminary left	Clear direction for our return to Africa
Kids' new school	Wisdom and Guidance in raising our children in a godly way
Opportunity for Donna to write Healthy Family Play Curriculum	Healthy Family Play Curriculum (which Donna is writing)
Encouraging visits with family and friends	Paul's balancing act with school, work and family

For those who would like the opportunity to give a tax-deductible gift to us during seminary, you may do so through New Covenant Church (NCC). Checks should be made out to NCC, with no mention of our name on the check. The check should then be placed in an envelope on which is written "for Paul and Donna Cox" and mailed to NCC. The address is: New Covenant Church; 7201 Paseo del Norte; Albuquerque, NM 87113. If you have any questions about this, please contact us.



Nehemiah and Micah Joy
with Rudolph



Nehemiah, Miriam, & Micah Joy



Miriam
Just a Swing'n - Miriam style