



Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Life in the Hasty home continues to be a roller coaster of twist, turns, and loops. I remember the first-time riding Mind Bender at Six Flags in Atlanta going around the loop. The loop definitely changes your ability to think clearly for a moment. But, in the end, you get back on the ride because of the trill and rush. Our life is never dull, and I thank God He is not done with us yet. I am reminded frequently of Romans 5:1-5 and James 1:2-8.



ROMANS 5

5 ^aTherefore, since we have been justified by faith, ^bwe ^chave peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also ^dobtained access by faith ^einto this grace ^fin which we stand, and ^gwe ^hrejoice ⁱin hope of the glory of God. ³Not only that, but we ^jrejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering ^kproduces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and ^lhope does not put us to shame, because God's love ^mhas been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

Our Family

On the home front, we come out of 2018 stronger and wiser. Our kids are all growing up in wisdom and stature. As a dad, I have the privilege of watching each of the kids be shaped into their unique creations. I am excited to see all that God has for each of them. It is humbling to know God's plan for me a father to my five kid. Amanda is a student at Campbellsville University Somerset pursuing a degree in cosmetology; she is scheduled to complete the degree in August. Harrison is driving. He is a junior this year so much prayer and wisdom being given for future plans. Mía is a sophomore. She continues to develop her musical talents. Life

Our Faith Family

Crossroads Community looks a lot different than the first of the year. Never did I dream of steady growth both spiritually and numerically following the major shift in location in January. As pastor, I am excited about the time in the Word we share; a greater understanding and love for the Bible has been growing. Numerically, Crossroads has seen more families committed to membership and ministry, The Lord's Café building seems smaller and smaller each week. Growing pains are being felt with space constraints. We are praying though the next step.

God continues to bless Crossroads ministries as well. This year we welcomed many groups from all

is never dull with three teenagers in the house. Walt seems to be doing better; however, our prayer for he and Julia is for salvation. We understand that no one but God can heal. We have been on an exhaustive roller coaster ride this year with placements trying to get him help. Julia is doing well. She turns nine this month. We are blessed to be able to homeschool and watch growth in education. She continues to learn and grow to know what it means to be a part of family. Julia is doing well.

Gina and I stand amazed at all that God has carried us through this past year. I love watching my wife dig deep into God's Word daily. Her passion for Christ has grown through the storms and the short times of calm. I am blessed beyond measure! God continues to shape me as well. Through the course of 2018, God has brought me through the tuff week in January where our family and three major areas of ministry were all rocked. In retrospect, I see God's sovereign hand guiding me all the way.

over to be a part of the ministry. We witnessed an empty field now have four homes started, thousands of meals being served, and thousands of prayers being prayed at The Lord's Café. At Thanksgiving, God provides resources and volunteers to serve over 1,400 dinners. This month, close to one thousand Christmas backpacks were given to the children and teenagers in the county. Approximately one thousand parents and children came to the backpack event and heard the Gospel.



The task is still far from being finished. We look forward to the continued journey of the New Year. We are prepared as we can be for the next set of loops in the ride of life and ministry. We know God has got this! As times gets scary, we know to hold on tighter to Him. We want to thank each of you who have prayed for us, participated in giving, or partnered on missions. You each are a blessing to us. God has allowed us to meet some incredible brothers and sisters in Christ along the way! Thank you for your obedience to the Father! Again, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you! Pray up, gear up, and lean forward in faith into 2019!