



Greetings from the Kesslers

Merry Christmas!

For the first time in 20 years, the Avon school district has no Kessler children. Jacqueline is now in high school! It's hard to believe, but all of our babies are growing up. We used to have to crowd around a stretched-out table – now we have to stretch to hold hands for the blessing around a shrunken table.

Jacqueline is a freshman at Powell County High School in Deer Lodge. She's playing basketball and we enjoyed watching her hit the last shot of the game as the buzzer sounded with the ball in the air. That's always fun!

She and David assist me in leading the music at church. We enjoy singing together, and when I have to be gone, they sometimes lead the music without me. They are also leaders in Awana for T&T, with David helping with the boys and Jacqueline leading the T&T games.

David is my right-hand man! He shot up several inches over the last year. He's a junior and enjoyed playing golf for the Wardens. He's my constant companion on all the projects around the house.

Jennifer graduated from high school and is living in Bozeman with her sister Jessica. She works as a baker, is active in her InterVarsity group, and aspires to drive one of those pink cars around someday. Expect a phone call soon!

Brittany finished her language school in Monterey and after a brief visit at home, headed to Afghanistan where she speaks with the locals in their own language. Last month she went on leave and flew to Germany and visited a few other countries in Europe. We're looking forward to having her home sometime this summer.

Heather is continuing with her missions major at Trinity Bible College. She spent the summer living with two of her sisters in Bozeman. She'll be home for Christmas break, starting next week.

Jessica is working hard on her degree in education, majoring in Spanish. Plans for spring include student-teaching and working at an office supply store.

Kimberly lives in Helena and works for the state. She is attending Liberty University on-line. It's nice having her close-by. We do lunch sometimes while running errands in town.

Shelly continues helping me in the office. She is a T&T leader and the Journey leader for our church's Awana.

While in North Carolina on business, we took a couple of extra days with friends Allan & Rhonda and checked out Blackbeard's

Hideout and Kitty Hawk on the Outer Banks. The day before we were there, they closed the road because of a high surf. They had snowplows,

maintenance graders, front-end loaders and a dozer – just to clear all the sand off the road!

Some of our travels this year took us to Arizona & California. It's been our tradition to head to the

beach as a treat to our high school graduates. Right after Jennifer's graduation in June, we headed to Long Beach, CA. We did some body surfing and stretched out on the beach working on our tans!

As our parents age, what a blessing to be able to spend time with them. Our children are blessed to have all four of their grandparents still around to call and visit! What an honor to be able to help out after all they did for us when we were younger!

May you have a wonderful Christmas reflecting on God's awesome gift to each and every one of us!

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him, should not perish but have everlasting life.” John 3:16

“Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.” Acts 4:12

Love,
Jeff, Shelly and family

