



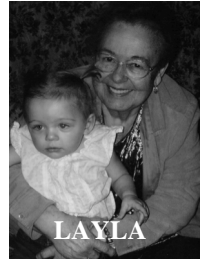
OFFICE NEWS (AND MORE)

Dear Family and Friends,

May, 2011

How quickly time is passing! We are getting ready for a full summer here at God's Helping Hands. Everyone is working hard to get all things done and we have been ahead of schedule but there is always more to do. The teams have had a lot of spring programs also.

I have two beautiful great-granddaughters. Layla is 18 months old and had a slow beginning weighing only 3 pounds but is now up to her normal weight and just starting gymnastics. She lives in Missouri with her parents and her father is a Marine. He is also going to school to be a nurse. Her mother spends much time working with Layla as does her dad.



Makayla will be one year old on May 16. She lives in North Carolina with her parents. Her father is a teacher and is a girls' basketball coach. Her mother also works. I have gotten to see both of them during the Christmas season. It was nice to have some pictures taken with them. I also had a four generation picture taken with each.

My boys (Donavan, aged 11, and Jaden, aged 5) spend a lot of time with me. Donavan has been saying for some time that he was taller than me. I kept saying nearly. You can make that decision by the picture. Donavan won trophies with his car in AWANA. His car won trophies for speed in our local and district competition. Amber is busy at work and is so good to let the boys come on weekends and picks them up after AWANA on Sunday nights.



Curt and Patty live in South Haven and Curt gets to do a lot of honey-do lists for me. Patty's two boys got married this year. Curt's youngest son just graduated from Western Michigan University. He plans to work in non-profit public relations.

Dale and Kim still live in Grand Rapids and are very busy with their three teenagers. Their oldest is in Berklee School of Music in Boston. Their second son, Greg, will graduate this year. He is planning on going in to the Air Force and then pursuing a career in theater.

Gayle lives about 30 miles from me and does a lot of traveling. She just bought a new house that she enjoys very much.

I am hoping that Mike will be coming out this way in June for a visit. He and Deb bought a house in Arizona and have been working out there. The boys are wanting to go fishing with Uncle Mike.

I am so thankful for the opportunity to work here at God's Helping Hands. I am often asked what I am doing now that I am retired. Our mission, like many, are suffering with the economy. Please pray that our summer series will touch hearts and others will come to know our Savior and that our ministry will continue to bless others.

In His Name,

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