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# SNIPPETS FROM THE SNYDER'S

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## About Us:

\* Judah (7) has officially started his 1st grade year. In July, we started to do school a few days a week to review what we learned last year and to get back into the swing of things. Now that he is starting to be able to read a few more words instead of just Pam can run, he is enjoying reading a little more. He really enjoys science, but playing with friends, being outside, or listening to audio books are his favorite ways to spend his days.

\* Hadassah (5) is doing some Pre-K/Kindergarten work this year. She is really enjoying working on school and loves anything to do with arts and crafts. She has been working hard on learning how to whistle lately and a lot of practicing to get her cartwheels down.

\* Jane (4) likes to work on her handwriting skills while Judah and Adi work on their school. She still loves to play with her baby dolls and her imagination continues to grow. The most exciting news for Jane, was that in August she asked Jesus to be her Savior. We have been praying for that and are so excited to see how God is going to continue working in her life.



\*David (2) still loves all things equipment. Nathan and I were laughing saying that whoever holds the keys to the tractor is David's best friend. His vocabulary has really grown over this summer! It is so nice to be able to understand so much more of what he is trying to say as it leads to much less frustration on both sides.

\* Lydia is 5 months old now. She always has a smile for Mom and is finally starting to be ok with other people holding her. She is starting to talk more now and parts of her personality are starting to show through. We are so thankful to the Lord for adding her to our family.

\* I was able to do a little canning this year for which I was very thankful. I was able to put up some strawberry and blueberry freezer jam, strawberry lemonade concentrate, and with lots of help from family some grape juice. Nathan and I were also able to put up some corn in the freezer. We were able to can lots of applesauce, and using the press that

Nathan and Adam Marshall were able to purchase, we pressed 200 gallons of cider to freeze and sell. I have been busy with my end of summer cleaning and we have started school back up so I am trying to figure out how to do school with two kids instead of just one. I do not do a whole lot with the day - to - day things in vaulting anymore as Rachel has kind of taken over much of that for me as I am pretty busy at home, but I always look forward to being able to teach the new students vaulting each fall.



We do not have students this year, so while we are disappointed about that, we are excited that we can be the family who can take students whose advisors are not able have them for whatever reason. We are excited to be able to get to know the students in this new way this year.



I wanted to share a quick story with how the Lord blessed our family in a big way a few weeks ago. I was working on writing our newsletter. I was almost finished and had to step away for a minute and when I came back

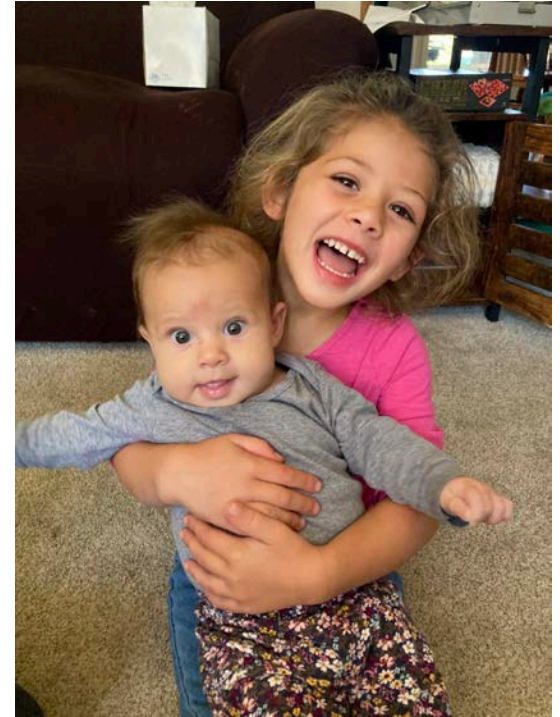
there was a glass of water that had been brought over and spilled onto the laptop. I tried to dry everything but it would not work. I told a friend about what had happened and she told me about missionlaptops.org. The gentleman repairs laptops and sells them for just what it costs to repair them. So we were able to get a laptop for a very low cost. I cried when I opened the new laptop to see everything was just as I left it on my old computer! I was so thankful that I didn't lose everything on it and that I didn't have to restart my newsletter all over again.

\* Nathan is busy, as usual, in the shop. We had a fantastic first cutting this year and a good 2nd cutting of hay. The ranch has installed buddy seats in some of the cabbed tractors and the kids have greatly enjoyed being able to go to work with Nathan in the fields for a few hours at a time. The ranch is trying to sell some of the 1st cutting hay, and with that money we are hoping to spread lime on the fields to





increase growth. Nathan and Adam were able to get the cider press they purchased last year up and running and were able to use it to press our apples for cider and also for the Ranch during the Harvest Party. The shop had a great summer with many volunteers coming through. One of the volunteers gave his life to the Lord! Praise the Lord! One of the projects that they will be working on this fall, is trying to finish fixing the roof over Rafter K arena.



## The Snyders, Nathan, Kelsey, Judah, Hadassah, Jane, David, and Lydia

### We Praise God For:

- Your prayer and gift support
- A full summer camp
- The new students
- A new laptop through Laptops for missionaries
- Kids adjusting well to Lydia
- School is going well
- The amount of canning we were able to do

### Prayer Requests:

- We would be able to get our old van fixed and sold
- Jane is currently being seen by someone to try and help control her ear problems.
- Our bathroom renovation and other projects.
- That we would be purposeful with getting to know the new students.

### Support:

All gifts are tax deductible and can be made out to MMRM, designated for Nathan Snyder, and sent to the Ranch at:  
101 Rodeo Drive,  
Spring Creek, PA 16436

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