



WAHAB NEWS

WISHING YOU A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

“THANKS BE TO GOD FOR HIS INDESCRIBABLE GIFT!” 2 CORINTHIANS 9:15



What a year 2025 has been! Does it feel to anyone else like we blinked and December arrived? Time really flies with so many blessings to be thankful for!

Our biggest family highlight this year has been drawing closer to Jesus together. We set an ambitious goal in January: to read through the entire Bible chronologically as a family; each of us individually, but on the same schedule. With God's strength and a lot of grace, we're thrilled to share that we finished just in time for Christmas! It's been such an encouraging journey. At Camp Good News, we wrapped up 11 weeks of camp plus two Discipleship Leadership weekends. The greatest joy? Watching 32 children and young people decide to follow Jesus this year! We've also loved traveling to visit many of you; friends, family, and local churches involved at camp; as well as hosting visitors. Catching up with loved ones is always a highlight, and our door is always open. Come see us anytime, you're more than welcome!



FOLLOWING ARE A FEW MORE PERSONAL HIGHLIGHTS FROM EACH FAMILY MEMBER:



MICHAEL - 17

Our oldest is stepping boldly into new adventures! Michael is dual-enrolling full time this year, completing his senior year of high school while earning college credits toward a B.S. in Bible Studies at Liberty University online. It's a challenging leap, but he's thriving academically and especially loves that so much of his coursework is centered on Scripture.

Outside of studies, Michael has been growing musically; he's learning piano, guitar, and vocals, and it's been delightful to hear him accompany Christina in several duets. Early in the year he earned his driver's license (our first child behind the wheel!), which has given him wonderful independence to attend Bible studies and youth events with his sister.

At camp, Michael served as a lead counselor and head lifeguard once again. He has a real gift for connecting with kids and sharing the Gospel in natural, meaningful ways. Between school, music, camp ministry, and sharing his faith, that's pretty much Michael's world; and we're proud of how he's using it all for the Lord!



CHRISTINA - 16

Music and ministry continue to light up Christina's days! She's been teaching herself guitar while taking formal vocal and piano lessons for the first time. The growth has been remarkable; her vocal range has expanded beautifully, and she's even started teaching piano to her younger sisters.

Christina has blessed many local churches by singing solos and in groups, and she led a powerful worship night at camp this fall. She also served as our camp music leader, a lead counselor, and even taught a Bible lesson using her creativity and music and had the children fully engaged. As a fun bonus, she helped paint a fresh 100 foot mural on the side of the camp's main building, Cypress. We're so thankful to see her talents flourishing for God's glory.





JOY - 10

Joy has grown up before our eyes this year—she's officially left the “little kids” category behind! She's stayed diligent with her schoolwork and Bible memory, once again earning the Gold Award in Awana (memorizing six verses every week!). She's enthusiastically shared her verses at several churches, too.



Joy remains our creative soul, loving art and crafting, and she's eager to master sourdough baking next. This fall she began piano lessons with Christina and is working hard to improve. We're especially proud that she completed her first full read-through of the Bible this year; she was faithful with daily reading and often encouraged the rest of us to keep going. And books? She's devoured stacks of them. What a joy to watch her grow!

JOANNA - 8

Our “baby” isn't such a baby anymore! Joanna's sweet voice fills the house as she loves singing—especially with Christina. She's also started piano lessons (though daily practice is sometimes less exciting than singing!). She and Joy are craft-room partners-in-crime and can happily disappear for hours creating together.

Reading has been a big win this year; Joanna's skills have soared, and she loves choosing her own library books. She moved up to the “big kids” Awana group and is determined to match Joy's Gold Award pace in Bible memory. Photography remains a passion (especially playing with fun filters), and she's our official animal lover, delighted by the baby chicks we raised this fall and fiercely devoted to her cat, Bella.





PHIL

Phil keeps camp humming along! Between directing operations, fixing and maintaining everything on the property, and teaching Good News Club at the local school, his days are full. If he's not at his computer, you'll likely find him tinkering with a repair (even his famous "Taz speed" can barely keep up with the to-do list!).



He especially enjoys giving camp tours to visitors - if you haven't had one yet, stop by! You might leave with a full stomach, too. Phil also loves mentoring young people in our Discipleship Leadership program, both during summer sessions and online throughout the school year.

STEPHANIE

Stephanie stays busy on the home front; homeschooling the kids, cooking and baking up a storm, handling camp registration, and tackling design projects. A few personal highlights: completing the family Bible reading plan, finally learning to bake sourdough bread, and researching college options for our two high schoolers. She also had the privilege of contributing to an Advent devotional this year.

After a challenging health year in 2024, Stephanie has worked diligently; with prayer, discipline, and healthy habits, to restore her strength. We're celebrating that she lost over 50 pounds in 2025, which has brought renewed energy for daily life and ministry.



As we close out 2025 and look towards a new year, we're grateful for God's faithfulness and for each of you who pray for and support our family. May your New Year be filled with the joy and peace of Christ!

Wishing you a blessed and joyous New Year!