



Bihl's Bugle



Merry CHRISTmas!

Merry Christmas to you from the Bihls! As you can probably imagine, the biggest highlight of our year in 2010 was the birth of our precious little boy, Caleb Aaron Bihl. He was born on Feb. 7 (Super Bowl Sunday), and he weighed 7 lbs, 7 oz, and measured 21 in long. He was born with a full head of his Mommy's red hair (which he lost and then it came back blond), and he has his Daddy's blue eyes and adorable chin dimple. Caleb means "devoted and fearless companion",



and Aaron means "mountain of strength". We thank God for blessing us with a beautiful baby boy. Caleb is now 10 1/2 months old, and he has 8 teeth and 2 more on the way. He loves to crawl and pull himself up, "cruise" furniture, clap his hands, wave hello/goodbye, and he can say "Momma", "Daddy", "ba-ba" (for bye-bye), and "Uh-oh".

In July, Caleb was diagnosed with Torticollis (neck muscle stiffness) and Plagiocephaly and Brachycephaly (asymmetrical head shape and size). For two months, he had to wear a custom-made orthotic helmet, called a DocBand, and we took him to Cranial Technologies, Inc. in Austin, TX for weekly trips to adjust his helmet and monitor his head growth. We greatly appreciated the compassion and professionalism of the staff at Cranial Tech in Austin. For more information about the company or about the above conditions, you can visit www.cranialtech.com.



Danny had fun decorating Caleb's helmet with a "Finding Nemo" theme.



Amy's Activities & Danny's Doings:

As for Danny & I, we've been busy being new parents, amongst other things. We celebrated our 5th wedding anniversary on November 5. In October, the Muskrat-Bihl Family Team participated in their 4th annual Memory Walk for the Waco Alzheimer's Association. Thank you to all of you who contributed your support through monetary donations and prayers. To learn more about how you can get involved in this worthy cause, go to www.alz.org.

2011 will begin a new chapter in our lives as both Danny & I will be starting new jobs on Jan. 10. Danny has accepted a Fire Fighter/Paramedic position at the City of Coppell Fire Department in Coppell, TX, and I have accepted a bilingual social worker position at a pediatric home health agency, Therapy 2000, in Fort Worth, TX. We are immediately moving to the Fort Worth/Coppell area. While we are excited about our new opportunities, we are sad to leave Waco, and we will dearly miss our friends, Danny's family, and our dogs, Bella & Churro. Thankfully, we have found good families to care for them. Churro will actually be moving to Fort Worth, so we plan on visiting him often. We ask for and appreciate your prayers through this time of transition, and we pray that our house sells quickly as well.

Family Fun:

My twin brother, Andy, and his wife, Heather, celebrated the birth of their first child, Jacob Andrew Muskrat, on October 24, 2010. Caleb & I travelled to Joplin, MO for the annual Muskrat Thanksgiving Reunion, and he got to meet his newest cousin. Pictured below left are Caleb with his Bihl cousins: Jace (5) & Madylin (8). Pictured below right are Caleb's Muskrat cousins: Claire (3), Jacob (4 weeks), Luke (5), Ben (11 months), and "Gran & Gramps", Wilma & Quentin Woods, my mother's parents.



We love you all and wish you a very Merry CHRISTmas and a Happy New Year!

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