

# Merry Christmas Friends and Family 2010

In January 2010 I went back to work from my maternity leave. Annika is now settled in a very loving daycare and enjoying her new found friends.

January I also enrolled in the University of Dalhousie. I have been taking the past year to upgrade my financial knowledge in the banking industry via correspondence. I will be enrolled in my program for 2011 as well. My classes are on line and my exams are in a class room setting. I have completed half of my course, I'm almost there.

After having our condo for sale for sometime we decided to take it off of the market and have renters move in. When the renters moved in, my parents graciously opened their doors for us and allowed us to take over their space with our stuff and Annika's toys. My parent's living room has become a playroom of dolls, doll accessories, a mini kitchen and a giant tub of misc toys. Grandma and Grandpas 52 inch TV is now taken over by Elmo and Babe the pig. Now we have saved enough money to be able to purchase a house with a yard! We are hoping to buy the house next door to my parent's place in the neighborhood I grew up in. We will find out shortly. [UPDATE: We got it!!!]

All three of us went camping this summer with my family on the Sunshine Coast. We stayed in a cabin on the ocean. We spent every day at the ocean, on the beach and eating BBQ.

Calvin, Annika and I also went on a road trip up to Revelstoke to visit friends. On our way home we drove to Whistler and spent 2 nights there relaxing by the pool soaking in the views of the mountains.

Calvin helped organize a volunteer group of youth and adults and traveled to a secluded First Nations Reserve South of Pemberton called Skatin. They camped at a campground that had natural hot springs that they bathed in every night. This was our second year being involved with the Skatin Project and taking a group of youth to this event. There is so much of God's hand in this week long event that I can't even begin to explain the impact it is having on the community there and here.

My Granny Englehart passed away this summer at age 79. She was a beautiful, tall and loving lady. She was a strong woman and had a great sense of humor. She was married to my grandfather for 59 years. She had 3 sons, 4 grandchildren, and 3 great grandchildren.

We are excited to announce that we are expecting our second child! This child will be born in mid July. Please keep us in your prayers for a healthy baby.

Merry Christmas and have an awesome new year.

Love, Elisa, Calvin and Annika

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No one has ever seen God. But if we love each other, God lives in us, and his love is truly in our hearts.  
- 1 John 4:12