

December 2003

The Christmas lights are up for the second time this year. They were part of the lights on the set of "Joseph and the Technicolor DreamCoat" production at UUMC. The whole family was involved, with Dale as Jacob, Matthew as Levi (solo on One more Angel in Heaven), and Sharon as Wife and GoGo Dancer. It was a lot of work but great to have the whole family on stage at the same time. We will never forget that rare experience! Matt did a terrific job on his solo, and it was very special that he was singing to his father with Mom standing right next to him. Another joy was working with a very talented cast comprised of some very old and some very new friends.

Sharon is still teaching special education at George Key School in Placentia. She has a much more demanding group of students this year than in the past, but there are still treasured moments when students do something for the very first time or respond to her attention with a smile or a hug.

Dale is still at Kawasaki, 27 years now. The live sound work has been less this year as Shade Tree has discontinued their concerts. However he has done more for the Living Tradition concerts where he subs for their normal sound engineer when he is away.

Matt is still at IVC where he has changed his major to Computer Animation. He sang in the Chorale until it became a Woman's chorus due to low male participation. In July he again participated in the Sierra Service Project (Young Adult version). This year he had no transportation, so Mom and Dad drove him to Round Valley north of San Francisco and enjoyed a pleasant week's vacation while he toiled under the hot summer sun repairing the home of a Native American family. He already has plans to attend SSP again next summer.

Hope the Lord is blessing your house, and that all will be well in 2004.

