

Merry Christmas 2010!



We wish you a very merry Christmas and may you have a wonderful new year!

Dale is still working at Kawasaki as a systems programmer. He will reach his 35th anniversary there in April. Retirement is starting to look good, although it's a few years off. He enjoys singing in the church choir and has been asked to sing solos from time to time. He also helps the young adults at church with sound reinforcement and is active in other areas at church, especially any help we need with computers.

Matt recently passed his second anniversary at Nickelodeon. He has been moved from working on the "Penguins of Madagascar" show to a new show entitled "FanBoy and ChumChum." The target audience is tween-age boys, but we enjoy watching, especially looking for Matt's name in the credits. The perks continue and he often gets to see movies at Paramount Studios for free, go to really fun parties, and play nerfgun wars. Yes, he does work hard, too!

As for me, I am still appointed to be the senior pastor at Linda Vista United Methodist Church in San Diego, still enjoying being a pastor there, and more in love with the people there all the time! Highlights this year included joint worship services (singing, praying, and reading scripture in two languages, and preaching with my colleague, Mary Dang!), picnics at the beach (including games of Bible Trivia and volleyball), teaching youth/young adult Bible study, collecting food and Christmas gifts for people in need, performing my first wedding, and baptizing two babies. I also led a team of twelve to Mississippi to help with Katrina Recovery, the first mission trip for most of them! I went with a broken foot and somehow they took really good care of me in addition to helping build a house!

Vacations this year---in January my mom and I went to Todos Santos, Baja California Sur, Mexico, to visit my uncle and aunt. Most memorable was going whale-watching in an 18-foot fishing boat and seeing a whale pass right under us! In May Dale and I went to Nashville for vacation and a preaching conference. We fell in love with Tennessee and hope to go back! In June we went with my family to Yosemite. We had a wonderful time in spite of the fact that I fell and broke my foot at the end of the first day. In November Dale and I returned to Yosemite (foot healed) and enjoyed seeing the fall colors and the beginning of the winter snow at the higher elevations. A beautiful but short trip!

May you accept the gifts of hope, love, peace, and joy that Christ brings to all of us, and may 2011 be a blessed year for everyone! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Much love from Dale, Sharon, and Matt McCart

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