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Let's get down to business and update you all on what has happened in our neck of the woods. Micah, our dear friend who was staying with us, returned to Utah to be with his father.

This summer we returned to Utah for a good friend's wedding, and everyone agrees it was a great trip! We all enjoyed seeing friends and family! Andrew remained in Utah after the rest of us returned to Texas. He loved playing with cousins, visiting Micah, and working at Micah's father's warehouse; and Andrew was very glad he went to Especially for Youth at BYU. Heather loved the wedding cake and "playing with kids." Jonathan loved "In and Out Burger" (and is very glad they are coming to the DFW area). He also enjoyed playing games all night on his iPad with cousins.

Andrew (15) passed first try-outs for an agency that works a lot with Nickelodeon and Disney and is heading to Orlando for the next level of auditions in December. He has tremendous talent and for many years has planned on a career in the film industry. He has also been very busy with football (on and off season), AP and Pre-AP classes, and drama. He recently stole the show as Cupid in the play "Dearly Departed Santa?"

Jonathan (18) graduated from high school last June. He is looking forward to a mission and college, while working for Market Street (an upscale grocery store in Texas). He enjoys watching people light-up at work when he says things to them in their native language. Some of the languages he has used are American Sign Language, Korean, Russian, German, Dutch, Hindi, Spanish, Nepali, Chinese, and Japanese.

David honorably ended his mission in November. He had tremendous experiences in the Lord's service, learned to speak Spanish, and improved his piano playing ability. David will be attending a local college for a couple years, before heading off to pursue further education in the psychology or psychiatric field.

Heather (11), earned 100% on both Reading and Math TAKS tests this year. She is an avid reader and has made books her highest priority on her Christmas list. In September our budding scientist received the best grade she could possibly get on her science fair experiment "Which Plant Do Snails Prefer?" and an Honorable Mention. She continues to take care of her snails, stating that her snails are "the best pet snails on earth!!"

Holly loved having a visit from her sister Sharon's family this year. She enjoyed team-teaching Sunday school with Harold and her association with the residents and associates at Sunrise Senior Living of Frisco. AND she actually enjoyed meeting new people this past summer as she hit the streets as an enumerator for the U.S. Census Bureau. She is happy to finally be settled into their new home.

In November, Harold and Holly flew to Idaho to pick David up from his mission. They then travelled around the mission with David and met several people who touched David's life and vice-versa. This was a highlight of the year for both Holly and Harold.

Harold began a new job at the beginning of this year, and says (with relief), "There's no place like home", because he no longer has to travel. He is also enjoying tutoring math

and physics (on the side) for Wyzant.

Did we surprise anyone with the mention of a move? Yes, we have moved. Our new address is:

4701 Forest Cove Drive

McKinney, TX 75071

Our phone numbers are the same:

Home: 972-548-2262

Harold mobile: 801-830-9987

Holly mobile: 801-830-9986

We love our new home and are very glad to be simplifying our lives a bit. We are excited for the adventures ahead of us, and we love and appreciate each of you and the positive influence you are in our lives.

