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Sponholz Family Updates

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Our SUPER busy Springtime!

Camp is busiest in summer--right? Normally that would be true, but our Spring has been giving Summer a run for its money.

Sponz: the Energizer Bunny

Basketball Season was an investment, but with such sweet rewards. Coach Sponz watched the girls grow together as a team and continually improve. They ended the season with some great wins! Lord-willing he hopes to do it again next year. Sponz' LOVES to share and promote. This Winter/Spring he had close to 40 different events, where he promoted the power of camp through messages, music, and goofy games. During all that, he also had the usual day to day stuff: preparing for weekend retreats and getting ready for Summer...but his favorite job of all is being a husband and father to his favorite girls.

Hannah: the Master Packer

Hannah has been keeping busy too. She nervous at first about the hours Dave would be putting into basketball and speaking, but the God who calms waves also calms nerves. She too has been "coaching" and speaking truth into others (2 cute, little others in particular). In addition to helping at the school and helping to lead MOPS, she is also **writing a children's book!** (Currently in the illustration phase). We are hoping to enter publishing process within the next year.

Ember & Jules: On the Go

The girls, now 6 ½ and 4 ½, truly make life richer. They are the reasons we have laugh lines, sore backs, and sticky floors. Ember is continuing to be a little light in her school.

A quote from Ember's teacher:

"Ember has been a little evangelist this week! I love it! When we talked Easter traditions she said don't forget the real reason for Easter is Jesus! Today she was singing about Jesus. She has a beautiful voice! Be proud of her!!!"

Ember was part of a basketball program this fall and has recently learned to ride a bike without training wheels. She can also be found most days on the monkey bars. There will be no surprises here if she someday makes an appearance on American Ninja Warrior.

Juliet has a very active imagination and will choose to play pretend over most anything (except candy probably). She also loves to swing, read, and make us laugh.



Prayer Stories

We have been trying to instill the importance of prayer into our girls lately (as well as remind ourselves). Two cute stories:

Bedtime Prayer

We were taking turns before bedtime saying a prayer and Juliet started. After thanking God for the walls and for sending Jesus to the earth, she just kept going: "...and thank you for our playground, and for gorillas, and for orangutans, and for ALL the jungle creatures, and for our chairs, and..."

Ember muttered under her breath, "I think she's going to say thanks for everything she knows". What a beautiful reminder for all of us. Everything is a gift from God!

Perspective at School

Ember has been upset that she has to put her head down at school "for no reason". (When some of the kids act out, the whole class needs to take a little break to calm down). We've been training her to use those times as reminders to pray for the kids who are causing the "time-outs". Her outlook has been much more positive; the first day she exclaimed, "I think my prayers worked because we didn't have to put our heads down again that afternoon!"

Speaking of prayer, we ask for yours. Part of the reason we are able to do what we do at camp, is because we have such an amazing support system in all of you! In particular:



Getting ready to Zipline!

Please pray for many kids to attend camp this summer (still openings!--register soon) and for the Gospel to come alive in their lives

Pray for Ruth Hryshkanych (former camp director's wife) as she adjusts to her new normal after Mike's passing in January

Financial Support

God continues to bless us through AMAZING individuals such as yourselves. We could never truly express our gratitude for your contribution toward our family...but please know that we are REALLY THANKFUL(!) and that your support is changing lives for eternity! We pray that God blesses and encourages each of you greatly.

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