

The Wigglesworth

December 2004

Merry Christmas Everyone!

2004 has brought many changes for us both! What better time to summarize all the year than in a Christmas letter! Here are some of the highlights of our last year.

January

Kevin made a work trip to Ontario with Wycliffe Bible Translators. The decision was made to cease AmandaEve's application for WBT. We celebrated two years of dating.

We travelled to Chicago to celebrate with AmandaEve's family as one of her cousins, Mark Slattery, became a bar mitzvah ("son of the law").

February

March

AmandaEve was busy being a wedding planner/coordinator for her good friend Sherri Lucas Steeves. Kevin helped out too consequently! Kevin was also busy being sneaky...

... Kevin proposed and we got engaged! Kevin became a member of the Orthodox Church. Kevin stopped working for WBT. AmandaEve quit working at East Side Mario's and began working at Stage West backstage as part of the replacement crew.

April

May

AmandaEve concentrated on school work for her masters degree as well as wedding plans. AmandaEve travelled to Winnipeg to buy wedding dress fabric and have a bridal shower thrown by friends. Kevin looks for work.

Kevin juggled jobs all summer by working at Stage West in props, cutting grass, renovating three houses, federal election, movie extra, follow-up work with WBT... all while looking for a more permanent job in his field.

June

July

Kevin's mom organized a family reunion. We travelled to Saskatoon for the Archdiocese of Canada Assembly. It was a great place to greet old friends, meet new ones, get a wider perspective of the diocese, and spread the word about missions in the Orthodox Church.

AmandaEve started working at Rocky Mountain College as an administrative assistant in the music department. We started taking private dance lessons at The Studio.

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October 10th was our wedding day! We were blessed by so many friends and family sharing the day with us. Kevin was finally able to reveal our honeymoon destinations to AmandaEve as we travelled through BC.

October

November

November was a month for settling in. We started visiting with friends again, and took part in a country dance workshop weekend at The Studio.

Kevin had finger surgery Dec 2nd to reconnect his tendon and nerves that were cut in a bad cut with a new, sharp, wedding knife. Church services are increased for the Nativity Fast and AmandaEve continues to direct the choir at church. We are staying in Calgary this year and will be travelling to Mexico in January for a wedding.

December

An article in our church newsletter reminded us that Christmas started out as a pagan holiday, became a Christian holiday, and has now returned to being a pagan holiday (for lack of a better word). As we start out on our first Christmas together, we are confronted by two sets of family traditions, cultural traditions, and Church traditions. Over these next couple years I'm sure there will be changes as we attempt to slow down the Christmas season and establish traditions in our home that reflect the birth of Christ. As we sort out what traditions we will celebrate in our home, please be patient with us!

Christ is born! Glorify Him!