

# The Schrepfer's

*Aron, Rebekah, Matthew  
Huey, Teyla, Patches*



## THE YEAR 2006

- Our family is growing!
- Spring & Summer with the Maranatha Youth Group
- School Days
- House Projects
- A new ministry at Metro Baptist Church

## THE YEAR OF TRANSITION

Just when we think things are slowing down and we can take a break, we realize we are in fifth gear and flying! This must be life!

But what a wonderful year it has been. We have seen the Lord lead and direct in our lives, and we have seen Him work in lives around us.

The year began with our looking forward to the end of the year. Ha ha! That is, we were

offered an open door to begin ministering at Metro Baptist Church in Kansas City, MO. We were also looking at finishing Aron's schooling before too long. And of course, our biggest change during the year was when we found out that we were expecting our first child! Whew! Lots to prepare for!



## THE PITTER PATT OF LITTLE FEET

- 1 Black Lab, Huey
- 1 Chocolate Lab, Teyla

Yes, we have embarked on the adventure of breeding labs! And of course, what do you need when breeding labs? A male and a female, of course! Huey and Teyla are a lot of fun to have around!

- 1 Kitten, Patches

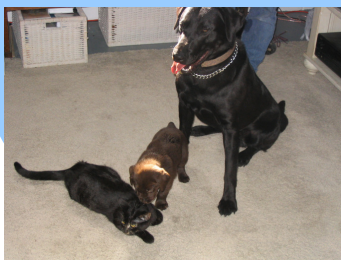
To reduce several pitter patters of little feet (mice), we bought a cat. Patches took care of the problem within a week! And he has turned out to be a great cat to have around!

- 1 Baby Boy!

Ok, ok. The baby isn't born yet, but little Matthew Aron is no less a part of our family this year. We found out in July that we were expecting our first child, and in November, we found out that our baby is definitely a boy.

Also, during the ultrasound, we discovered that little Matthew will probably be born with a cleft lip and possibly a cleft palate. The Lord has been good in giving us much needed peace and joy. Peace has come knowing that God is in control and that nothing is a surprise to Him! We have been surprisingly calm and clear minded as

we research cleft lips and palates and as we search for a good surgeon. Joy has come in that this particular defect is common and can be corrected with some surgeries early in his life. We are mostly looking forward to seeing our baby in March when we can actually hold him and bring him home!



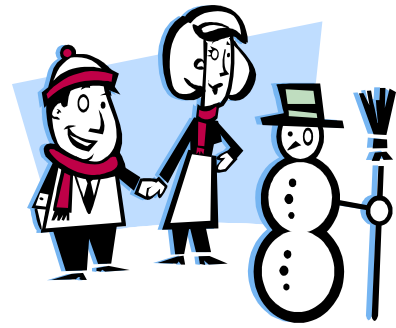
See [www.widesmiles.org](http://www.widesmiles.org) for more information on cleft lip and cleft palate.

## SCHOOL & WORK

Aron is getting closer and closer to finishing his degree from Faith Baptist Bible College. The journey through college has not been without its challenges! Balancing school work with home life is always a challenge, but we have been fortunate to spend as much time as we have together. Many married students are not so

blessed! Aron is planning to take as many modules as possible in the next few years to finish his degree.

Rebekah has finished her work at FBBC as the secretary to the Deans. It has been a great job and a blessing to us! The hours have been steady with benefits as well. But now with the baby on the way and moving to Kansas City, it is time for Rebekah to live the life of leisure. Ha ha!



2 Peter 3:18 ~ But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To Him be glory both now and forever.



House renovations continue, and will need to be finished before the house goes on the market. So we've added new siding, and are working on finishing two bedrooms, two bathrooms, and the kitchen.

The Lord was good in protecting our home during a fire in March! A spark set some varnish and rags on

## HOUSE RENOVATIONS

fire in Aron's workshop. Another minute or two and we would have called the fire department! The house is ok, but some of Aron's equipment was ruined. But God was merciful and not only protected our home, but also ourselves!

## SPRING & SUMMER WITH THE MARANATHA YOUTH GROUP

One of the sad transitions we had to make was winding down our ministry with the Maranatha Baptist Church Youth Group. Aron has been volunteering with these young people for over 5 years, and Rebekah for 2. So it was difficult having to bow out of more and more activities until we were done at the year's end.

But no goodbye's were said before enjoying some great activities! In January, the Winter Retreat was a tremendous weekend. Not only did we spend time with the Youth shopping the Mall of America, but we also went skiing. Yes, we know, it was in Minnesota and not in the Rockies, but it was fun all the same. The best part was hearing some good

challenges from the Word of God.

The other big event was our Missions Trip to St. Louis and to Silva, MO. We served in a local church by presenting our Easter program and by doing some much needed maintenance work at Missionary Acres.

We will miss the Maranatha Youth!

## A NEW MINISTRY IN KANSAS CITY



In February, we began traveling to Kansas City, MO on the weekends to minister at Metro Baptist Church. They needed someone to teach the Youth and organize some activities, and they also needed a piano player. After much prayer and consideration, knowing that it would put a tremendous strain on our schedule, we could see the Lord opening this door of

ministry. So we walked through! We have not regretted the decision one bit!

It has been great getting to know the Metro Youth. They are a fun and growing group of teens. We began activities once a month and a Bible Study twice a month in addition to Sunday School. The highlight was the teens' first trip to summer camp at Bass

Lake Camp. Rebekah is thoroughly enjoying piano playing every Sunday as well.

In January 2007, Aron will be officially on staff as the Youth Pastor, and he will be licensed to preach by Metro Baptist Church. Right now we are moving out of our house and into storage in KC. So keep praying as we get settled.

*"For unto you is born this day...a Savior which is Christ the Lord!"*

Merry Christmas! Please keep in touch! Love,

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