



Just a little note about CC & D

2007 Family Update

Hello everyone! Here it is the middle-end of August again. Time flies when we are having fun.

Cecelia is as much fun as ever; she is smart and witty with a little sarcasm mixed in. Cecelia can bargain, wheel and deal with the best of them; she tries to deal on everything from what and how much she eats, the number of books we read before bed, to how long she can play on her new play set. And oh-boy can she be stubborn, when she makes up her mind about something she is willing to go all or nothing, she has given up one of her favorite things in the world, pancakes at her favorite pancake place for months because she couldn't have her way. But when she realized the grown-ups were not giving in she called a truce and ordered pancakes all around. Cecelia will be starting Preschool this fall, which is very exciting for both of us. She loves to learn and I love watching her little brain boil over with excitement as she is trying to show off the latest thing that she learned or recalling this great thing that she did with this friend or that.

I am doing quite well myself. I still miss having Emily around and think of her often, but it isn't the same as a year ago. It is less emotion and more just fond memories, it's nice to reminisce and tell stories about Emily with friends and family on occasions. Cecelia is still very secure about where her mom is and that she isn't going to come back. That makes it easier on us for now, and makes it easier for me to start moving forward with my life.

As for the house, the inside of it is in quite good repair and clean, for the most part. But not much is getting done on the outside and with the lack of rain I haven't been cutting much grass. No softball this year but a little more golf, I went on a 3 day outing up north this last June, which was a lot of fun. Cecelia still goes over to G & PaPa Regnier's every month for about a week at least until school starts, how they are going to get their fix after that is up for debate. Mom is still faithfully showing up at my door every morning to let me go to work. Tonya is also a great help, she stops by to see if we need anything, she'll stay for supper sometimes then play and talk with CC and I. Dad stops by every so often to check up on us too, he helps me figure out what I broke on the tractor and points me in the right direction to fix it. Our garden us a little bigger than last year and growing like gangbusters. Surprisingly, the weeds are under relative control and there only seem to be a handful of pests nibbling on the greens. In our spare time we like to go Geocaching or treasure hunting as Cecelia likes to say, there are so many neat places we can explore and fun things to find, Cecelia get really excited about it. CC & I also went tent camping for the first time ever, it was only a few miles from home so that took the pressure off about forgetting something. We went with some friends from church; it was a lot of fun and CC didn't want to leave; I think we'll try to work more of it into our schedule for next year. All in all we are just fine and always looking to the future. Thank you all for you thoughts and prayers. We hope this letter finds all of our Family and Friends in good health and spirit.

Matthew Franz & Cecelia