

# From the Hillside



## Keep on ... Keeping on (KOKO)

Colossians 3:23-24 (nasb) – Whatever you do, do your work heartily,  
as for the Lord rather than for men,  
knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance.

### What are you Doing?

What extraordinary times we live in! What will we say when our grandchildren ask “what did you do during the 2020 pandemic?” I hope that we can say we continued in the work of The Lord and did it heartily, trusting in God for all our needs as usual! We Keep on Keeping on...He has called us to minister in an ‘essential’ or ‘critical’ service of communication to all our listeners that must keep their social distance from each other.

At KCAM our winter was full of broadcasting Hockey, Basketball, and Dog sled races ... until it all came to a screeching pause, as the world refocused toward the spread of the 2020 virus. Our news shifted to COVID-19 stories and its effect on the world we knew. Amid all this we found out our News feed software was going obsolete and would have to be replaced very soon. So...we are in transition and learning mode; and it has gone smoothly thus far. Please pray that it will continue to be smooth and that we would have patience to “learn new tricks”.

There have been some lulls in the action over the last few months as far as major engineering projects go, but several “little fires” have sprung up that have kept me busy. Our FM music service moved off of Satellite delivery to internet only, which required new hardware to be installed. And, one of our studio’s developed a hiccup (very loud one) that could only be fixed by sending the main Audio engine (computer with lots of connections) in to the manufacturer for repair. Also, our aging hard disks are starting to develop little errors on them that disrupt our automation and day to day work...giving a hint at where God may be going with engineering in the near future. KOKO ... as for the Lord rather than for men!

### Prayer & Praise:

- *Pray for the repair of our Suburban.*
- *Praise God for answered prayer and for His provision and care for us and our partners in ministry.*
- *Pray that Matthew will find the right job for the summer.*
- *Pray that the Gospel would be heard clearly and that our words would bring hope and encouragement to our listeners on KCAM!*

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‘Little Errors’...  
i.e. Bad clusters

# Family News

We started the year by adding a new family member. Matthew's Christmas present this year was all the necessary items for a cat. We were able to adopt a kitten from a local family which Matthew named Clue. So we can no longer say we don't have a clue. He has added a lot of joy and laughter to our household.



Elaina and Thomas continue to keep us all on our toes. Their current favorite activities are playing outside and coloring. I love it when they get to the point of being able get most of their winter gear on by themselves and aren't immobilized by all the extra layers which means they actually enjoy going out.

Having two boys in hockey kept us on the go this winter with Scott traveling several hours each weekend to take one or the other of the boys to a tournament. Even Sarabeth took a turn as a chaperone for the Bush League tournament in Healy (6 hour drive). The weekends Scott was home he spent running the board for the high school sports games we announce on the radio and taking his turn for the weekend shift. Both Kara and Matthew were a great help in babysitting and dinner prep while Sarabeth was at hockey practice with the boys. Both Ben and Caleb had an excellent introductory year and want to play again next year. Gabe also had fun participating in the Learn to Skate program. However, he says he doesn't want to play hockey because he 'doesn't want to have to take showers after skating so much.'



As a result of the abundance of snow we received this winter the plows have made some great hills of snow behind the school which the kids have found to be great fun to play on. It's nice to have such great sledding hills right outside the yard. They've also had fun digging out a snow cave and tunnel.



Lydia received an excellent progress report at her annual IEP meeting. She has made some great progress in her Physical and Occupational Training. When we started last year she struggled to walk up and down stairs without holding on. Last month I saw her walk down the stairs while putting on her mittens! She has also learned how to hop on one foot and has improved drastically in her cutting skills. Her speech is improving as well, though at a much slower rate.

Remembering to use the proper speech techniques she has learned in everyday conversation, especially when excited, can be difficult.

Matthew is investigating options and praying for God's direction for what to do this summer and is almost ready to take his driving test. Whether he ends up getting a full-time job or spends time working/learning in another location, it's an exciting step for our growing family.

