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Hurricane Harvey paid our area a visit, making landfall just north of Corpus Christi. Most of the city escaped major damage. Lots of branches were blown down and shingles blown off. The Fahls needed a new roof (which was completed last month!) and some back fence repair (thank you to Benjamin and a friend!) but no other damage. KBNJ was off the air for about 3 days. Harvey hit on a Friday and Monday morning we got power back at our transmitter site. We didn't have electricity at our studio until the end of the week. Thanks to a generator, we were able to get back on the air Monday. We had enough power for the main studio. No lights in the rest of the building, one telephone, and no air conditioning. It was quite a week. Communities on the north side of our listening area were hard hit, so it was important for us to be on air to help people find resources. One family called and said they were out of food and their cars were all flooded. We announced the need, and a guy called in just a few minutes to ask where they were. He was driving around their town helping where he could. That was just one instance of how God used us during the days after Harvey.

Joe turned another year older last month. He's 55 now. He had a great surprise when Jonathan came home for the weekend. We found out in December that Joe was voted "Best radio personality" in Corpus Christi. That was an unexpected honor.

Ginny has started a new job as a professional grocery shopper. She loves being able to deliver to new moms and elderly people especially. In her spare time, she still picks up catering and cake decorating jobs as well as planning events for our home school community. She already has two wedding cakes scheduled this year.

Jonathan is in his 2nd semester at Houston Baptist University. He's enjoying his classes but finds them more challenging than Del Mar Community College. We were able to help him with one project. He had to come up with 250 story ideas for a writing class, so we spent an hour on the phone brainstorming with him. He was in San Antonio over Christmas break working on a movie set. Be watching for his name in the credits of the movie, "Angry Men", set to release this summer. We were all able to drive up one weekend to be "extras". That's right, we're all movie stars now.

Rebecca is back from her Summit adventure. She camped at the Grand Canyon, climbed Mt. Snuffles (yes, it's a real mountain!) and learned a whole lot about Christian thought. The whole family was able to drive out to Colorado to see her graduate. We made a mini-vacation out of it with a trip half-way up Pike's Peak. (The Peak was closed because of bad weather). We also visited the Garden of the Gods in Colorado Springs and the big kids had their first chance to snow ski. All 3 agreed it was something they'd like to do again. We also visited White Sands National Park in New Mexico on the way home. Now, she's working for Dad. We had a need for a mid-day person at KBNJ, and she was looking for what the Lord had for her now that she's back. She's on from noon to 3.

Benjamin is driving. He got his driving permit in October. Mom is back in the back seat again. He is helping with the audio/visual department at church some and is becoming quite a handyman around the house. He's fixed a cd changer, the volume control on the kitchen radio, and a few Christmas ornaments that Michael broke.

Michael got to sing in church in October. The SEEDS choir did 1 song. He knew the song and the verse very well. The other morning Joe couldn't find his keys. He woke up Benjamin thinking he hadn't given them back after driving, then woke up Ginny because he couldn't locate her set of keys. He should have awakened Michael, because later that day he came out of the play room holding the missing keys.

He'd been driving his truck and needed some keys. He was so cute at Christmas as he ran around the room helping us each to unwrap our gifts.

Thank you for praying for us. Our monthly support has been down a little for the past few months, so please pray for some additional monthly supporters. Also, our 2008 van is at about 175,000 miles. It got us to Colorado and Missouri and back last year, but it's spending time in the shop each month. We want to replace it before summer travel season. We plan to pay cash and have been saving for about a year. Please pray with us about this need.

Joe, Ginny, Jonathan, Rebecca, Benjamin & Michael

We always love to hear from you. Our address is: Joe & Ginny Fahl, 7109 Windwillow Ct., Corpus Christi, TX 78414



Hitting the ski slopes in Colorado.



Jonathan on the set of "Angry Men".

Email: ginbakes1@gmail.com (Ginny) or joe@kbnj.org (Joe)

You can listen on-line at kbnj.org or on KBNJ's new free app. Joe's on the air from 6 am to 10 am, and Rebecca is on from 12 to 3 pm central.

Send a gift to Inspiracom, P.O. Box 3765, McAllen, TX 78502. Just mention that the gift is for the Inspiracom ministry that Joe & Ginny Fahl are involved with, account #10052.

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Above: Garden of the Gods. Below: Learning his letters.

