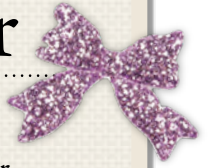




Anna Grace & Rebecca Joy enjoying the morning

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As the song goes, "It's the most wonderful time of the year," and

Christmas 2009

this has truly been the case in our family this year. Not only do we celebrate the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ, but we have been blessed beyond our wildest expectations with

the birth of our healthy, beautiful, twin daughters – **Rebecca Joy** and **Anna Grace**. They were born on November 9th at 10:40 and 10:41 pm, respectively. Rebecca weighed 5lb 12oz and Anna 3lb 8oz. Although they are small, they are perfect in every way! They were allowed to leave the hospital with me (Ruth) on the 11th. What an answer to prayer!! We want to thank all of you for all your prayers during this pregnancy. We are now adjusting to the exciting life of parenthood.

But besides the birth of the girls, we have had a wonderful year. Nate was involved in the MDA conference that is held here in Santarém at our church every year. There were over 1,300 pastors and leaders in attendance with representation from 24 of the 27 states in Brazil! This year, the PAZ church's worship team was responsible for the praise and worship. It was very anointed and set in motion the plans for recording a worship CD. The plans are to release it at next year's *Congresso da Paz* in early July 2010. Nate is excited as he will be very involved in the whole process.



Interesting facts I have learned since being a mom:

- *I didn't know I could fall in love so fast!*
- *The babies are considered "mine" when they are awake, need to be fed and changed. Nate considers them "his" when they are sleeping and clean.*
- *Without a diaper, girls can pee at least several feet across the room.*
- *They are always hungry at the same time I am ready to eat my meals (hence lots of cold meals for mom).*
- *Grandparents visit a whole lot more often - what a blessing!*
- *Baby girls make the cutest faces.*
- *I can't imagine life without them!*

Also this year, the Amazon Basin experienced the worst flood

ever recorded! Nate was able to go out a couple of times with PAZ to offer flood relief to the victims. PAZ provided medical support, food baskets, lumber for reconstruction and spiritual help to those affected by the flood. Hundreds of people gave their lives to the Lord because of our response to the flooding. You can read testimonies, see more pictures and videos at the website Nate updates for PAZ, <http://www.projectamazon.org>.



Anna's already known for her funny faces!



For most of the year, I was pregnant and sometimes even on bed rest. I will be handing off the Mary and Martha ministry due to my responsibilities at home increasing. I will continue to help out wherever I can, but for the next couple of months, I'll mainly be a full-time mom.

We were blessed to have a team of friends from New Life Christian Church come down this year to help build a church here in the Amazon! We are so excited that there are a number of more trips planned from other supporting churches, family & friends! We

can't wait to see you down here!



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We want to thank you all for all your prayers during this pregnancy and the birth of our girls. We have seen God move in miraculous ways. Please continue to pray for Rebecca and Anna's continued health and growth. Also, thanks so much for all your prayers and financial support. We could not be here without you.

Love,

Ruth (for Nate and the Girls)

Dad's Corner

Looks like I went from having a whole newsletter to myself to just a little corner of one! How life changes when God smiles on us and blesses us! It has been a thrill to see how God has not only worked in our lives, but also used our lives as a living example of His goodness and faithfulness. God moved in the lives of tens of thousands of people here in the Amazon and we praise God for your role in blessing and participating in our lives, ministries and family. We pray God's special blessing over your lives, families, work and ministries as well and that 2010 would be your most blessed year yet.