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Dear Greeting,

There are moments in life that you know will define you. It's those moments that you try to etch into your brain so you'll never forget. Like the day you got your first paycheck, your high school graduation, your wedding day, holding your first child, 9/11, when a loved one died, or when you're giving your daughter's hand in marriage.



Anna

This past September, in a hotel conference room in Orlando, Deborah and I knew that our lives were changing. We took the vows and were commissioned as Members of the Religious Missionary Order of Campus Crusade for Christ. We had been in full time ministry as church staff and volunteers before, but somehow this seemed different. We were now officially missionaries.



Danielle

In the weeks that have followed we have seen God's confirmation of His calling on our lives. There have been simple things from having willing babysitters watch our girls during our appointments, to people who have committed to support us before we've had the chance to ask them, to encouragement from former missionaries and Campus Crusade staff that we are on the right road and we're going to make it.



Julia

Even more so now than when we first started this journey in February of 2008, we are very excited to be partnering with what God is doing through FamilyLife. And each week we're hearing stories of how FamilyLife is touching people and how they are having their *own* defining moments. Like Josh, who told us that it was a FamilyLife Today radio broadcast, at the right time, that was instrumental in helping him discern whether it was God's will to propose to his wife. Or a husband that attended a recent Weekend to Remember event that wrote,



Rachel

*"When I awoke Sunday morning I had a gift, not just a wife! How precious she really is. I did not realize how much I need, want, and love her."*

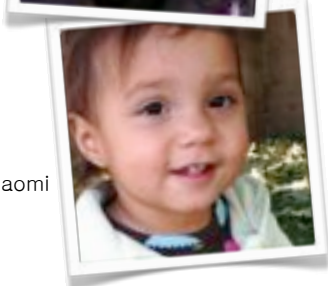


Sarah

Thank you so much for your support of our ministry financially and with your prayers. You make stories like these possible.

Fighting for families,

Abraham & Deborah Lara



Naomi

- Anna(9): turned 9 on Sept. 28
- Danielle(7): super reader in 2nd grade
- Julia(5): still recovering from several weeks of illness
- Rachel(2): loves to sing 'twinkle little star'
- Sarah(18m): loves loving the cat
- Naomi(18m) loves to dance.