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My wife Patti wants me to write a book. If I ever did it might be titled: "What Do You See When You Look Back?" When you look back on yesterday, last year or a lifetime, what do you see? What will your legacy be? How will you be remembered? What did you do for Jesus?

Looking back on this year, it has been an outstanding year filled with wonderful blessings thanks to many of you. The blessing starts with your financial and prayerful participation in this ministry. I have been so blessed to see people have their hearts and lives changed forever. This life changing experience is the same in any language and with any age. This year, in addition to having the chance to see hundreds of men, women and children have life changing experiences with Jesus all over North America, I was able to see, literally hundreds of lives changed in Ecuador, Haiti, Honduras and Nicaragua. Thank you for making possible those hundreds of men, women and children that have been changed forever.

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Christmas 2008

Christmas greetings from the McDonald's home to yours...we've increased our numbers yet again this year, as our little Miki (Mikaela) joined our family.

We are beyond thankful to our bountiful Heavenly Father for the safety and provision He has given us this past year. To our friends and family who have suffered losses, our hearts are hurting for you...

In major fashion, we have grown and changed...2008;

Andrea bought new house, finished a full year of college and joined the Mobile Police Department! Laura (14) is half-way through her freshman year of high school and visited Honduras and Nicaragua.

Jennifer and Ellis moved to Virginia where Ellis is in training for deployment to Iraq (via the Army.) Olivia (6) is adjusting well to her new home and first grade.

Nicole and David are so, so close to being finished with their new home. Kathleen (10) is an educated swimmer, Ryan (7) is an avid gamer/skate boarder and Mallory (2) loves "Dora the Explorer."

Sarah and John are new homeowners as well, positioning themselves (wisely) close to the school where they both work. Brittany (10) loves to read, Jacelynn (6) is all about playing (with their puppy, and beyond,) while J.J. (1.5) is into everything (he does love to throw the basketball!)

LTjg. Joey, USN just docked after a 6 month deployment with the "Ronald Reagan Strike Group". Just before leaving, he purchased his first home (in San Diego) and Veronica kept things up while he was gone; starting her own web business in the meantime...[www.veronicasportraits.com](http://www.veronicasportraits.com).

Sean became a father this year and understands now why we love him so much. His Jennifer had to hold the fort down while he joined Joe for Joey's "Tiger Cruise" last month from Hawaii to San Diego. Mikaela is 9 months old and beautiful and sweet.

Joe has been to 10 different states and 4 foreign countries in 2008 carrying the Gospel of Jesus Christ. He was aided by food, gifts, bubblegum, balloons and other cool stuff you have helped so generously with throughout the year.

Patti: I have blinked my eyes and this year is winding to a close...with over 100 days of out of town travel with my trainer position with AT&T; not including personal trips and ministry trips with Joe to Honduras and Nicaragua, I have learned how to pack incredibly well...and get around in unfamiliar territory.

God has provided journey mercies and health for which this family is so very grateful. With this small snapshot of our world, we hope you understand if we don't visit a lot!

With Christmas and New Years love and hope...The McDonald Family