

Dear Family & Friends,

December 19, 2023

We are delighted to wish you all a Merry Christmas! 2023 has been a full year and we are thankful for the opportunity to share a little of what has brought us joy.

William (21) is a senior at CO School of Mines majoring in Mechanical Engineering. He has accepted a position with Burns & McDonald in their energy department and will start on June 24th after graduation. He'll be spending his first 6 months in Kansas City at their headquarters. When he's not studying, he's often enjoying time with his girlfriend, Maile Tinker, a junior math major at Mines.



Alec (25) is working as a law clerk for the Washington DC Court of Appeals. His big news is that he got married in DC on September 9th to **Franny Krupkin**! Franny is also a law clerk working with the US District Court for the District of Maryland. The wedding was beautiful and so special with lots of family in attendance. We are thrilled to have Franny join our family.



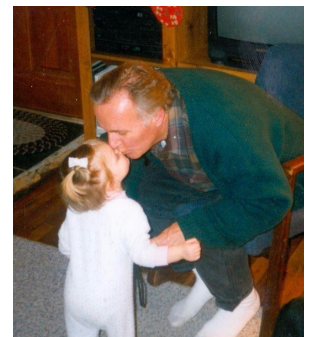
Gixson (26), our "adopted" son from Nicaragua recently took an engineering job with Barnhart Crane



in their renewable energy department. Although technically still living in Denver, he is currently working for them near San Francisco for 3 months but then will move to a job site in New York state for about 9 months. He loves the job and enjoys the amazing views from the top of windmills. Gixson welcomed his sister Fany and her family to the US this year and are walking through the asylum process together.



Sydney (27) just started her 3rd year at WilmerHale law in Washington DC. She works long hours and is loving being a trade and sanctions attorney. She moved to a new apartment which is only 4 blocks from Alec & Franny's new place & close to many of her friends. She also loves teaching her preschoolers Sunday mornings at church. She continues to be a world traveler heading back to Paris last summer and has plans to visit Iceland with Michelle in the spring.





Michelle is wrapping up her third year with her consulting company, Virago Strategies. She enjoys working with community based and national non-profits both at home and around the country, strengthening their advocacy and community development work. She is in her 12th academic year as an adjunct at Denver Seminary and still occasionally leads worship at our church Westside Internacional. Michelle travels quite a bit for work, speaking at book events & retreats and added a trip to Spain this September with her mom & sister to celebrate their birthday milestones the past couple of years.

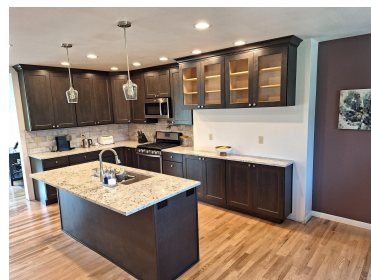
David continues to direct Open Door Ministries (ODM). Thank you to all who support the ministry here. Some ministry highlights were taking men from the LightHouse to two different Marked Men for Christ events and the resulting life change, visiting 21 churches on Sundays to represent ODM, seeing significant renovations completed on 4 of the ministry

properties, and being a mentor to Ernest & James on a regular basis. His big financial need is for funds for a mission trip to India from Feb. 19 – March 4. He needs to raise an additional \$5000 for this through his ODM support account. Our friend Saby Thomas who lives here in Denver is from India and runs Hands of Mercy Ministries there. They have several widow's, children's, and disabled homes as well as many churches and church plants. David will visit many parts of India and will be preaching along the way. Prayers are appreciated.

Michelle and David embarked on a long awaited kitchen renovation this year. We tore down a bearing wall between the kitchen and dining room and made the kitchen bigger and opened the whole area up. We love it and still can't quite believe it's ours.



We are very sad to share that David's dad, William David Warren, passed away unexpectedly on Nov. 24th. He had been in and out of the hospital with necrotizing pancreatitis from Sept. – Nov. but we had thought he would make it. God had other plans. He was an amazing husband, father, grandfather, and minister. We celebrate that we had gotten to spend so much time with him this year with 3 family weddings, David's parents' 60th anniversary, and a vacation with him in Myrtle Beach. He is greatly missed.



May God's grace & peace meet us all as we begin this new year,

David & Michelle Warren