

## <u>Christmas 2020</u> Season's Greetings



From Kent & Keena Price

Dear Friends and Family,

Wow, what a year! Where does one start? We began the year with routines and plans and what we thought was a pretty good idea of what the year would look like. And then "Along came COVID." With the rest of the country and the world we mourn the loss of life, the devastation to our health and economy and the disruption we are all going through. And yet, we still find much to be thankful for. We cancelled several travel plans, but still found time for just the two of us to get out into nature and enjoy being with each



other. Early in the Covid crisis, after verifying that everyone in our extended family was virus and symptom-free, we moved forward with our long-planned family reunion in southern Utah. It was a wonderful time together missing only Krey and Lindy's family who could not travel from Australia (but joined us via internet) and our granddaughter, Kandra, serving an LDS mission in Ohio.

Our two main concerns now are for Keena's 98 year-old mother (99 next month) who recently went on Hospice, and our daughter, Kristina, who is currently battling breast cancer. In September, Keena flew to Oregon to spend a couple of weeks with Kristina and the family during the initial surgery. We are hoping and praying for the best. Just the day before Keena returned home, Kent had to leave on a fire fighting assignment. He had not been called out earlier in the year but with much of the west on fire, he got an "all hands on deck" call and spent the next few weeks on the Woodhead fire in Western Idaho.

The Covid crisis has really curtailed our ability to mingle with friends and family. This has been quite hard as so much of the joy we find in life comes from these relationships. Other than that, for most of the year we continued much of our normal routines - Keena working part time at the dialysis clinic and Kent driving and giving flying lessons - while both trying to follow all the masking and social distancing recommendations. Finally in November, we both came down with some symptoms and tested positive for the virus. Luckily, our symptoms have been mild - some fatigue, headaches, and sore muscles - and, as of this writing, they have largely receded. We are told that we are beyond the infectious stage and we are hoping for full recovery.















In spite of looking back on 2020 as "the year that was," we hope this letter finds you in the best spirits possible and looking forward to the year to come. We are sooo anxious to gather with you once again. We send our love and best wishes,

Hent + Kelna

Note: This letter is also available on our website where you can zoom in on the pictures.

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## The next generation(s)

<u>Karl & Nina Shurts +8</u>, Banks (near Portland), OR. Kristina is battling breast cancer with surgery, chemo and radiation. High stress for all of us. Four kids in college (two married); one, Kandra, on an LDS mission in Ohio. Three still at home enjoying their country life in the little town of Banks. Karl is still product planner at Intel. **shurtsfamily@gmail.com** 

<u>Krey & Lindy Price + 6</u>, Perth, Australia. Family is loving life "down under." Not a single Covid case in Western Australia. Three now out of high school and working from home. Three more in elementary and high school. Krey is doing a lot of engineering contracting and consulting work but now but primarily on line and with very little travel. **krey@krey.org** 

<u>Jared & Kamber Turner +7</u>, Idaho Falls, ID. Jared's company, CSC, continues to thrive. David graduated from high school and is now planning on an LDS mission. The next five range down to kindergarten. making for very busy schedules. They had to cancel a cruise but were able to replace it with a trip to Disney World.. **turnerkamber@gmail.com** 

Neal & Kerrie Davis + 6, South Jordan, UT. The Davises had to cancel a planned trip to Europe due to Covid but are still hoping to make the journey in the future. Kenton is at BYU, teaches skiing at Brighton and loves paragliding. Merrill is on an LDS mission in the Tacoma area and still hoping to go to his assigned area in Mexico. The rest of the kids are active with soccer, skiing, mountain biking, etc. Neal still splits his time between his pediatric practice and being an administrator for Intermountain Health Care. kndavis8@gmail.com.

<u>Kevin & Aleisa Price +5</u>, Seattle area, WA. Kevin is in his 15th year with Boeing and works mostly from home. He is really glad to see the 737 MAX get back in the air. Janey is in 9th grade and Chloe is in kindergarten. Aleisa continues to work toward becoming a registered nurse. **verynerdy@gmail.com**