

# The Refior News Bulletin

Paul, Pam, Nikki & Laura

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The Refiors send their love and greetings.

The Lord continues to bless the Refior family in many, many ways. We are going through a series of adjustments, but things are good. Nikki is off to Cedarville College where she is a Freshman. She is starting out as a communications major with a minor in Bible. She is in a dormitory room planned for two gals, but because Cedarville College is experiencing such dynamic growth, there are three students living in that dormitory room. Nikki is quite happy and there is every indication that she is exactly where the Lord would have her be at this time. She has made many friends and is enjoying her classes. She is one of 25 freshman students in the new honors program. That is very challenging for Nikki. Pam and I are seemingly having a more difficult time adjusting to Nikki being away from home than she is.

Laura has successfully made it through the first few days of Jr. High School. There was some real apprehension as she was entering a new school with her class having almost 500 students. Last week Laura tried out for the cheerleading squad. That was REALLY tense. . .AND SHE MADE IT! She has now started practices and has received her uniform. She is more than a little excited about it. Laura is making new friends and is doing extremely well academically so far. Laura is in the accelerated classes for math and English.

In recent weeks I have participated with a number of other individuals from various parts of the country in the formation of a new organization which is working for the evangelization and discipleship of children. This is been extremely difficult in so many ways and yet because there has been so much prayer and the clear sense of the Lord's leading in this matter, it has been a joyful experience. Everyone in the group is striving to be totally submitted to the Lord's leading and the desire is to glorify the Lord Jesus Christ and to be useful in the Master's hands in reaching children around the world.

It is exciting to see the new building take shape at Pleasant View Bible Church. I have to admit that I am fighting back

my impatience as I wish that we could have the children in the large multi-purpose room now instead of several months from now. However, God is so good and we look forward to how the Lord will use the new facility which will include many Sunday School class rooms, a new kitchen, much needed additional bathroom facilities, new office spaces for the pastors and staff, as well as the large multi-purpose room.

Last Friday Pam and I and another couple coordinated an activity for the Junior High youth group at church. This is the first year that we have not had Laura in our ACTION children's program at church (she graduated). By participating in activities such as the one Friday we can still be directly involved to that extent. We are so thankful to the Lord that we have a youth pastor and a youth program at church which provides wonderful direction and wholesome social interaction for Laura and the other kids at church.

My Iowa Hawkeye football team is not doing as well as had been expected. I suppose you do not want to hear the excuse that they have been decimated by injuries. For example, at the Michigan game Iowa finally had most of their starters back on the field. They led at halftime 17-3. But by halftime nine of the 22 starters were injured and out for the rest of the game. Unfortunately, the Hawkeyes ended the game with a 17-17 tie. Last Saturday we were in the stands cheering for the Hawkeyes as they played Purdue University at West Lafayette, Indiana. Iowa won 31-7! This coming weekend we will be going down to Bloomington, Indiana to cheer for the Hawkeyes as they play Indiana University. Kurt and Julie Swain from Bloomfield, Iowa will be with us for the Indiana game. We really look forward to seeing the Swains.

Things are going along great at the office. The staff is going at full speed and all of the computers are working. I am very thankful for that. Pam's parents have moved to Warsaw and we are delighted that we can interact with them on a daily basis. They are starting a new court reporting business here in Warsaw. They have already finished several depositions and they are nearing the completion of their remodeling projects in the house they purchased. Pam's brother Tim and his family just moved down to Mobile, Alabama.

We look forward to hearing back from you. May the Lord bless you.

Sincerely,