

**Ahhh...
Summer!**

Leah's Lamp Stand

May 2012



Spring Semester 2012

I finished my spring semester the beginning of May and am so glad to be done! It got crazy towards the end but I finished strong and did well on my classes.

My mom, Michelle graduated this May with a counseling major and we had a nice little celebration for that and I am happy for her to complete such a big accomplishment.

I also got asked to be the Vice President and TA for choir. This is very exciting for me and I cannot wait to start that in the fall!

This last spring was a great experience that brought many new adventures for me and my family. I am excited I am done and ready to look towards the future.



At my mom's graduation from Crossroads College with grandma Betty, uncle Vic, my dad, Bob, and me. The graduate is front and center!

Summer 2012 Plans

As many of you know, I am going to the Philippines once again this summer! I will be leaving on May 31. I have included a rough itinerary on the second page of this newsletter. I will also be posting pictures and about what is going on in my blog, leahslampstand.missionsplace.com. Feel free to peruse through that and comment on things. I will need all the support and prayer I can get!

When I get back I will be working as a nanny to the two kids in the picture to the left. This is what I did last year, as well, and had a blast! I am also going to be spending a week in August up at Pine Haven as faculty for 5th and 6th grade camp!

Church activities and volunteering is also going to be a big part of my summer. I will be helping with VBS and preparing for weekends, like I have been doing all school year.

In the midst of all of this, I have a full load of classes to get done this summer and working hard to graduate next spring!

This summer is also an exciting time for weddings and babies! I have several friends that will be getting married and one of my closest friends is having a baby in July and I am very excited for them!

PRAYER:

- **Safe travels to Cebu and back**
- **God's will and plans in the Philippines come through over my plans or desires**
- **I can be a light in Cebu and Negros**
- **I stay healthy while I'm there**
- **God shows me if the Philippines is where He wants me in the future**
- **I get my summer classes done well**



Me with Nadia and Anthony, the two kids I spend a lot of time with and I love them to death!

(This picture was taken last year at a local zoo.)

If you have questions or just want to get a hold of me for any reason, here are some ways you can do that

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Philippines June 2012

Fund Raising

Thank you to everyone who donated money and offered to pray for me while I am in Cebu!

I raised all the money I needed, \$3200, plus I will be bringing \$1500+ with me to give to Central Philippine Bible College (CPBC) and City Church! Praise God!

Thank you to everyone who helped support my trip! I am very grateful and I'm sure everyone there will be grateful as well!

Many of you are also praying for me and my trip. I have provided a few prayer requests for the people there on the far right column. I will also be posting on going prayer requests on my blog, if you want to check that out!

Thanks again to all of you! I am so excited to see how God is going to use me in the Philippines!

Plans for While I'm There

Right now, there aren't many specifics planned out. I am hoping to get out into the community more this year and meet more kids in the area. I will be helping out around the school and church. I will most likely be helping with music at the church. I also will probably be helping with some of the youth group things that will happen when school starts up again, mid-June.

I was hoping to plan some more out but I am leaving this up to God and preparing for anything that may be asked of me. God has a plan for this. This has taught me that sometimes you can't plan out everything and I just need to go with an open and willing heart to serve and show God's love to those I meet and come in contact with.

Prayers for CPBC and City Church

- School to start successfully in June
- That the students are committed to their studies in school
- For the money for a property
- For their anniversary to be a success and a good outreach
- For God's will to be done in all of this!



"How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'"

Romans 10:14-15

God has called me to spread the good news of Christ to people around the world. The adventures just keep continuing. I would like to keep all of you informed on what God is doing in my life and where is calling me. If you could keep me in your prayers and pray for what God has planned in my life, I would greatly appreciate that.

Thank you to all of you! Every one of you is a part of what God has planned for me! I could not do any of this without all of your support!

Leah Damon