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Jacob West born 03/31/09 (Moderator's son) - posted by PaulWest (), on: 2009/4/5 4:41

Dear Saints,

Our new son, Jacob Nathanael West, was born 03/31/2009 7 lbs. 12 oz. 21 inches, strong, alert, and healthy. We couldn't have asked for a more lovely gift from our Father. My wife and I are elated, overflowing with thanksgiving and love. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one in these forums who answered the burden of God to pray for Marissa during her turbulent pregnancy. At one point, the hyperemesis from which she was suffering was so great that it caused her to be hospitalized for a week and have her gall bladder removed.

[Image: http://photos-e.ak.fbcdn.net/photos-ak-snc1/v2743/219/20/1531194080/n1531194080_30259444_5712463.jpg]

But praise God, all ended well, and we now have a healthy baby boy who will be afforded the luxury of being raised in the admonition of the Lord and the milk of the Word to the glory of Jesus Christ. God bless you all, and thank you for your prayers!

Brother Paul

Re: Jacob West born 03/31/09 (Moderator's son) - posted by thomasm (), on: 2009/4/5 4:49

Congratulations Paul, all the best to you and your family, I pray the Lord's blessing on all of you.

love in CHRIST tom

Re: - posted by Compton (), on: 2009/4/5 8:39

Congratulations Paul and Marissa! After seeing this picture, Libby, my wife, said Jacob is one of the cutest babies she's ever seen! He has a handsome head of hair on him already!

MC

Re: - posted by Miccah (), on: 2009/4/5 10:10

Praise the Lord! Congrats my brother. Many blessings to you, your wife and your new son.

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2009/4/5 10:16

congradulations dear brother! May he be raised for God's purposes and plans.

Praise Jesus, God IS great - posted by White_Stone (), on: 2009/4/5 11:51

Dear Paul & Marissa,

What a wonderful sight. That is a beautiful baby!

Prayers were answered with a resounding, "YES." Thank you Lord! All the Glory goes to Jesus.

Kindest regards,
white stone

Re: Praise Jesus, God IS great, on: 2009/4/5 12:18

Wow, he **is** beautiful. Few newborns look that cute and that hair :-D Bless Jesus King of Glory - he's beautiful.

LORD Bless mother & father and household.
LORD be extra close to Mommy at this time.

Happy tears Brother!
Thank you for sharing his face with us. Beautiful! - brings JOY.

Re: Jacob West born 03/31/09 (Moderator's son) - posted by tjervant (), on: 2009/4/5 13:24

Congratulations!

May God continue to bless you and your family.

Re: Jacob West born 03/31/09 (Moderator's son) - posted by crsschk (), on: 2009/4/5 16:05

Wonderful to be speechless.

Saw this early this morning brother ... All I could do was to stare and smile

Quote:
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Rom 12:15

:-) Praise God dear brother.

Re: Jacob West born 03/31/09 (Moderator's son) - posted by InTheLight (), on: 2009/4/5 16:50

Lo, children are an heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward. As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth. Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate.
(Psalm 127:3-5)

May God grant you wisdom and grace in forming and fashioning this little arrow to be straight and true so that the Lord may take and shoot him right into the heart of the enemy.

In Christ,

Ron

Re: Jacob West born 03/31/09 (Moderator's son) - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2009/4/5 17:08

He is sooo cute! God bless y'all.

Did you ever think about the fact that this little fellow will live forever - somewhere?

Take care and blessings to you and your wife!

ginnyrose

Re: Jacob West born 03/31/09 (Moderator's son) - posted by MSeaman (), on: 2009/4/5 20:32

Congratulations!

Re: - posted by andres (), on: 2009/4/5 20:46

blessings, may he have faith in the gospel, live by the gospel, and proclaim the gospel.

andy

Re: Jacob West born 03/31/09 (Moderator's son) - posted by Fuegodedios (), on: 2009/4/5 20:59

My dear brother Paul. I am so happy for you and your wife. May God continue to bless you and your family my friend.

Re: Jacob West born 03/31/09 (Moderator's son) - posted by ccchhhrrriiss (), on: 2009/4/5 22:05

Congratulations, Paul and Marissa!

How beautiful! As my wife said, "¡Ay, *Que Chulo!*" (a Spanish phrase which loosely translates to "Oh how cute!"). It really makes us want to have one of our own soon.

We will be remembering Mom, Dad and Baby in prayer!

:-)

Re: , on: 2009/4/5 22:29

I'm rejoicing with ya'll! And wish I could be there to hold little Jacob and praying blessings over him. :-) I'm praying for a speedy recovery for Marissa and for continued good health for all of you.

~Joy :)

Re: Jacob West born 03/31/09 (Moderator's son) - posted by HeartSong, on: 2009/4/5 23:41

How very precious. Oh praise the Lord for the blessings that He pours forth upon His children.

"The Lord sent a word into Jacob, and it hath lighted upon Israel."

- Isaiah 9:8

Re: - posted by RobertW (), on: 2009/4/6 9:11

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Re: - posted by rnieman, on: 2009/4/6 10:37

Congratulations!! Children are certainly a heritage from the Lord. Bless you and your family!! rnieman

Re: - posted by Nellie, on: 2009/4/6 11:44

He is a beautiful baby!
Thanks for sharing him.
God's Bless all of you.
Nellie

Re: - posted by Eli_Barnabas (), on: 2009/4/6 12:33

Praise the Lord! Congratulations Paul!

Re: - posted by TaylorOtwell (), on: 2009/4/6 13:12

Congratulations, brother. Praise the Lord! :)

Re: - posted by run2win, on: 2009/4/6 18:54

Rejoicing with you and your wife in the arrival of your beautiful son.

Re: Thank you to all the saints of God! - posted by PaulWest (), on: 2009/4/6 19:39

A heartfelt and sincere thank you to every one who congratulated us in this thread. Our joy is beyond words. Little Jacob is the greatest thing that has happened to us in our marriage, and we bless the God of all creation for this precious gift. We are not worthy for all the good things He does for us on a daily basis. The human vocabulary does not and cannot contain enough superlatives to express how good, how great, how merciful, how exceedingly kindhearted is our God. Here is a picture I took of Jacob sleeping this morning:

[Image: http://photos-c.ll.facebook.com/photos-ll-snc1/v2743/219/20/1531194080/n1531194080_30264650_8354606.jpg]

Marissa personally thanks all the sisters here in the forums (Joy Courville, Whitestone, Rebecca, Sandra, etc.) who kept her in their prayers throughout the pregnancy. Satan really wanted to destroy this child, but God is stronger, wiser, and faster than any scheme the devil can surmise. We bless Him for holding us in His mighty hand.

"My Father, which gave them to me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand" (Jn 10:29)

Brother Paul

Re: - posted by broclint (), on: 2009/4/6 19:41

Ditto all the above. He looks like he already has a head start with those wide open alert eyes, probably all that music he's been hearing all these months. Couldn't help but think of the verse: John 16:21 "A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world." Hopefully after a few days of healing at least! :-)

Clint

Re: Jacob West born 03/31/09 (Moderator's son) - posted by Earendel (), on: 2009/4/6 20:27

Congratulations Parents!! A heart felt welcome dear Jacob!

Re: Jacob West - posted by crsschk (), on: 2009/4/6 23:57

:~)

Re: - posted by Lorigean (), on: 2009/4/7 6:07

Congratulations and praise the LORD for the delivery of your beautiful, healthy son. There is nothing like the miracle of a newborn baby to give us a fresh appreciation for God's matchless wisdom, power and grace which He so mercifully bestows on us, His unworthy servants!

Lorigean

Re: Oh the Love of God - posted by JoanM, on: 2009/4/7 12:41

OK Paul and Marissa, Jacob is so wonderful, I'm falling in love. Glory to God miracle life. LIFE! I am so happy for you two basket cases. No doubt Paul you have already shared the Gospel with him (I saw those open eyes). What a blessing!

When I think of how hard it must be for you to take your eyes off of him, I remember our heavenly Father.

Thanks for sharing the Love of God with us. May you all swim in His love.....Sister Joan

Re: , on: 2009/4/9 13:40

May I cast a vote here?

I was thinking that this would be wonderful to be able to keep updates, if this thread were to become a Sticky on General .

MORE PICTURES :-D besides updates.

Re: - posted by repentcanada, on: 2009/4/9 13:43

God bless you and Marissa brother! Jacob is beautiful.....

Re: - posted by myfirstLove (), on: 2009/4/9 14:22

The Lord has certainly bless you!

Jacob is a cutie!

Much blessing and peace be multiplied to you, Marissa, and baby Jacob!

Re: Pictures - posted by JoanM, on: 2009/4/9 14:27

I am not sure what I think about the appropriateness of the suggestion BUT it could be wonderful if those of you that know how to forward pictures did and they (all of them) were posted on a sticky. Kinda a **picture directory of members** - one or two for each poster that wanted to. Something that could be overseen by a moderator, updates/changes sent in for posting/sizing etc. Or maybe on the profile page of members.

Just a thought.

Re: , on: 2009/4/12 9:46

PaulWest wrote...

Quote:
-----...the Lord will see us through no matter what happens, just like the Lord will see you.... though - no matter what happens. In the face of barrenness and complications the strength of our Lord shines forth like the sun. There's something about barrenness and difficult pregnancies (or not being able to conceive) that God uses to show His strength; whether it be with Abraham and barren Sarah, Jacob and barren Rachel, Jabez's painful birth, Hannah's barrenness (the mother of Samuel), Manoah's barren wife (the mother of Samson), Elisha and the barren Shunammite, Elizabeth's barrenness (John the Baptist's mother), and of course, the most miraculous birth of all which is our Lord coming forth from a virgin womb.

So, you see, we're in good company...and even better Hands.

Brother Paul

...a good word.

Blessings Brother.

*edit: actually, my wife and i were musing about possible names last night...

girl - Brianna

boy - Jacob (you don't mind d'ya?!) ;-)

Re: Why do people love babies? - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2009/4/13 0:23

Why do people love babies?

This question stumps me. Or, it did until recent times. There is no logical sense as to why people love babies.

Babies can be colicky, make you want to pull your hair out, wish you had never seen the child, make you feel like screaming...

They are totally helpless. You even have to hold their head when you lift them up. They eliminate body waste whenever the urge strikes, even when you are changing their diaper you may have to divert the stream that comes arcing up...

Babies interfere with careers, vacation plans, hobbies and anything else you have planned to do.

You spend lots of time teaching them to talk and then the rest of their lives teaching them to shut up!

You eagerly help them learn to take steps and then walk only to find your self running after them to keep them from going places they shouldn't, like the road.

You have to feed them. If they are hungry, they cry and you will drop everything to satisfy that hunger.

Babies get sick easily. There are earaches, there is teething which can cause a baby fever and it goes on for days...and parents fret when the child does not act normal...and the doctor bills!

Toddlers get into things, then break cherished items, some that can never be replaced.

And people still want babies? What ails people?

And you know your child will be tempted to sin, or to spurn God and you still want a baby?

Oh sure, as a female I understand the urge to want to know what it feels like to be pregnant, to feel the baby grow inside and to feel it kicking, moving. But after having one, why do you hanker for more? Where is the logic of all this?

These questions have nagged at me for years: why on earth did I want more babies after having birthed one? In recent years the answer came to me, or at least it settled the question in my mind.

When we desire babies/children there is a part of the nature of God operating within us. Why did God create man when he knew what would happen? He knew man would rebel, sin and that it would cause a Him a great inconvenience, but he did it anyways..

Somehow, I see within man and woman the nature of the love of God operating in the desire to have children and going through it knowing full well the trials you are inviting into your life.

This desire is the essence of love. It teaches selfish people to learn how to give, give, give and not get any thanks in return. Awesome when I think about it.

Yes, parenting teaches us much about God and much about us as well.

God bless you, Paul. Enjoy your son! We had four of them and each son had one sister! They were fun and we still enjoy our children and now their children....

ginnyrose

Re: - posted by fuehrerbe21 (), on: 2009/4/16 12:58

Praise God! What a blessing children are. May the Lord give you and your wife wisdom as you raise him. :-)