



Steve & Lila Bayer

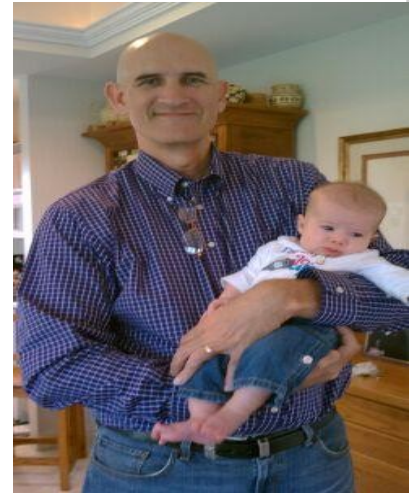
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Where is Home?

Lately, I (Lila) have been missing home. I find myself wondering, “When will Little Rock feel like home? When will it feel comfortable to be here?” But also, recently, I keep hearing a song on the radio titled “Where I Belong” by Building 429. Part of the lyrics are “All I know is I’m not home yet, this is not where I belong.” And I’m slowly coming to realize I might never feel comfortable and at home here, because maybe God’s purpose is not for us to feel settled. The longer we live on this earth, the more we realize how broken it is. That’s why ministries like FamilyLife exist, to help us deal with life here, especially the uncomfortable parts. It’s not God’s desire for any of us to feel “at home”, but to long for our eternal home. 2 Peter 3:13 says, “But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness”. Now that’s a home worth longing for!

I (Steve) was surprised to see the verse that Lila shared here as I attended a Development department prayer meeting just a few hours ago where a FamilyLife employee Sharon Hill shared a devotional using that exact verse! She shared about a lady who worked for FamilyLife who was called home two years ago after a terminal illness. She passed away the night before Randy Alcorn spoke at the ministry about his book, “Heaven”. Specifically he shared what Sharon’s friend was likely experiencing in her first few hours in His presence....we just can’t imagine what it’s going to be like!



Steve wants to show off his new purple shirt...we’re trying to convert our Hog fan friends to be Wildcats. Oh wait, the cute one in the picture is Avelea Wren Bayer our granddaughter! I was able to see her as I visited Kansas while attending my nephews wedding in Manhattan on April 15th!

STEVE, LILA, MARSHALL AND MADDIE

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- **I have learned so much about relationships with Jesus and others from the program. It has helped me prepare myself and others for friendships, marriage and parenting - Florissant, MO**
- **God speaking through you gives me hope and strength. Thank you and God bless you all!! - Saint Henry, OH**

- **Thanks for continuing to pray for Lila’s eyes—she does have glaucoma and so she has started her eye drops.**
- **PRAY for us as we are trying to discern changing home school Coops for Marshall as an option has come up which might be a better fit for his high school years.**
- **PRAISE for good reports from several friends who have attended recent Weekend to Remember Conferences!**
- **PRAY for thousands who are scheduled to attend Weekend Getaways or The Art of Marriage groups this spring! Please specifically for salvation for many, healed relationships and deeper walks with the Lord.**