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Strong & Gentle

Karen's Font | June 16, 2020

As the months have gone by and our family has begun the long process of finding a "new normal," David and I have been blessed as we watch our children grieve the life of our son, their brother, Caleb. One meaningful way that we as a family have been processing this loss is to write. Below is an excerpt from our daughter, Cherith.

Thank you to each of you who have sent us a card, called, donated, contributed to the memorial garden, prayed and emailed as you come alongside us. We have been so touched and humbled by the love of our community, spread wide across the world as we all unite in Christ's love that He provides for us through his Son's death. 🌶️

In His Service,
Karen
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Toward the Sun

Cherith Mitchell | June 2020

"The men in my family are strong. They're hard-working, driven, stubborn, opinionated, always seeking better, and never settling for almost. My dad coined the term "half jobism" when we were children. It means not doing something to completion.

The men in my family are gentle. They're peace-keepers, love-offers, dish-washers, volunteers who show up first and leave last. They give big and take little and always leave things better than they found it, whether it's your soul or a mountainside.

The men in my family use their vacations and holidays and bereavement leave to clean my house, build my daughter a swing, plant my seedlings, shovel my mulch, and renovate my bathroom.

The men in my family drive me crazy and make me proud. And as we figure out what to do with one less in our family, I stare down at my lettuce that we planted that week, and all I see is strength and gentleness finding its way toward the sun."



Growing the Local Church

Family in Ministry | Dallas Arboretum, 1999

This ministry has always been blessed by our children, and it continues to be even as our children are grown and moved out.

Camp Duffel will look a little different in 2020 due to COVID-19, but we are still moving forward with as many aspects as possible to bless as many churches as we can.

A couple more interns are arriving next week to work alongside us as we develop methods and share philosophy to use camps to reach through congregations into communities.

Thank you for rallying around us as we continue to serve and be blessed as we bless others through this work.



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