



Dear Friends & Family,

As we embark upon this holiday season, we look forward to our exchange of news with all of you.

Our big news for 2015 is that we will be first time grandparents in May 2016, when Chris and Danielle welcome their new addition. They are also planning to relocate to the San Luis Obispo area, as they are priced out of housing in San Francisco and want to be closer to family. They found an OBY/ GYN doctor in SLO and have been making monthly visits since August, when they discovered that they were pregnant.



On a sadder note, after 10 years, we lost our beloved canine com-



panion Jingko in April and are still grieving. We were blessed that our vet came to our home and very gently allowed Jingko to leave us.

We have become "Village People" and are part of a development team to establish a Village in the SLO area to help seniors "age in place" and remain in their own homes.

There are currently 190 Villages (185 in development) nationwide. In October, we attended a conference in Seattle with 320 participants to learn from other Villages.

For more info on our efforts, check out Dave's website: [www.slovillage.org](http://www.slovillage.org)

Besides our trip to Seattle, we stayed with friends in their guest cabin at Lake Tahoe in August, and made visits to Fresno, San Francisco, Oakland, and Santa Barbara. Friends Ellen & Gerry visited in May, and Kathy & Ed in October, and we had a brief visit with Brian in September. Prior to doctor's visits, Chris & Danielle, with grand dog Lucy, came in February, May and July.

Dave's focus for most of this year has been the Church Renewal project at our SLO UCC church, managing contractors and doing a lot of the physical labor to make both inside and outside ADA compliant. He has also continued as Moderator of our Council. We installed our new Pastor, replaced our Director of Music and Office Manager, and added 12 new members. I am Chair of the Ministry of Spiritual Life, managing our worship team of volunteers. I also led the efforts to host the homeless families and single women from the shelter each night in July.

In between video production jobs, Chris has been a driver for Uber in San Francisco. Danielle was promoted to bar manager at Range. Both will be looking for jobs and housing in the SLO area when they relocate in 2016.



Brian and David continue to live and work in Oakland. We stopped on our way home from Lake Tahoe in August to visit them at the lovely family home in Stockton that David inherited. They had just returned from a family reunion with David's family in Maui.

As we anticipate our family gatherings and celebrations with friends, we wish all of you a joyous Christmas and many blessings in the New Year.

Love,

Meg & Dave



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