

THE BEEBES (2012)



David married Elisa Kramer on 1 January 2012 after being together for 5 years. Then, David and Elisa had Jaxon Kai Beebe on 21 June. James and Maria spent Chanukkah and Christmas (2012) and New Year (2013) with David, Elisa and Jaxon. We found a nice B&B in Coolidge Corner so we could continue to work--James on revising his book on Rapid Assessment Process and Maria on ICT

Capacity Building in Afghanistan and visit the Beebes at Wayland during the weekends and holidays.

Ligaya is still in Xining, China. She writes that memorable events in 2012 include visiting David, Elisa and Jaxon in the summer during Jaxon's Jewish naming ceremony, collaborating with Steve to build and run an elite English training school (profits of which go to supporting the kids in the Orphanages

without Walls (OWW) program), and collaborating with Children of Shambala staff to create the Shambala Fellowship Program, an innovative way to raise funds for OWW and give young people a way to get their foot in the door in the third sector. In 2013, Ligaya looks forward to leading Shambala Foundation through a leadership and headquarters location shift--maybe in Chiang Mai, Thailand.



LIGAYA

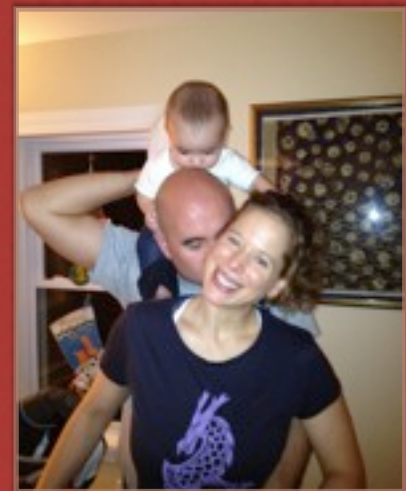


LIGAYA AND STUDENT



LIGAYA WITH STEVE

JAXON KAI WITH PROUD PARENTS, LOLO AND LOLA AND TITA



THE LATEST BEEBE

1. PROUD LOLO (GRANDPA) SHORTLY AFTER JAXON'S BIRTH IN JUNE.
2. DAVID, MARIA, JAMES, ELISA AND JAXON IN AUGUST,
3. TITA (AUNTIE) LIGAYA AND JAXON IN SEPTEMBER.
4. JAXON HOLDING ONTO DAVID'S HEAD AND ELISA'S HAIR ON 25 DEC.
5. JAXON AND SURROGATE TITA LIGAYA, AUNTIE THOMAS ON 25 DEC.

Peace on earth! Kapayapaan! Omwaka omukalamu! Al-Salam السلام

Maria started to work as a Deloitte independent contractor on ICT Capacity Building in Afghanistan requiring her presence in Kabul from time to time. James plans to retire from being a professor at Gonzaga University on 1 June 2013. Then we hope to move to Portland or Boston or some place warmer after we sell our 100 year old historical house in Spokane. Except for Maria's short trips to Kabul, with stops in Dubai (and Macau once), our travels have taken us mainly to Wayland, MA relishing our new role as grandparents!

Perhaps this year we'll visit Ligaya in Chiang Mai.

Elisa has gone back to work as a Speech Language Pathologist in the town of Wellesley. David now works for a Rakuten Loyalty in Boston. Both continue to be active in Aikikai.

