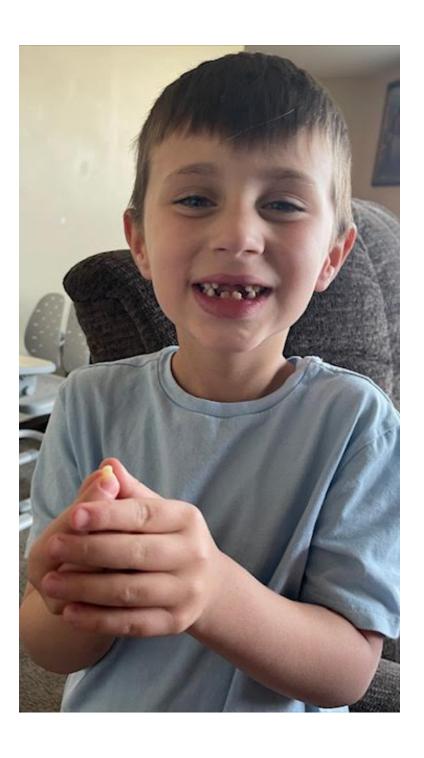
Rayden has lost 4 teeth in a week and a half! They just keep coming!



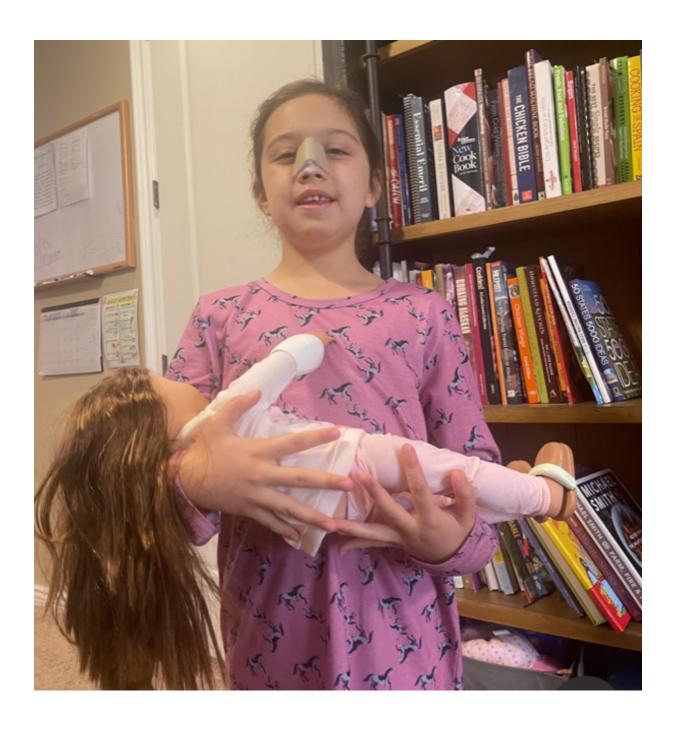
Rayden has needed a little assurance that everything is okay and it's very normal to loose your teeth, even at this rate!

Our sweet Sophie had surgery. Brody and Leidy took her on Wednesday morning. She felt a little scared. The surgery was early in the morning and no one else was there, so the surgeon allowed Brody to take her in and actually put the anesthesia mask on her. It calmed her a lot knowing her dad was there.

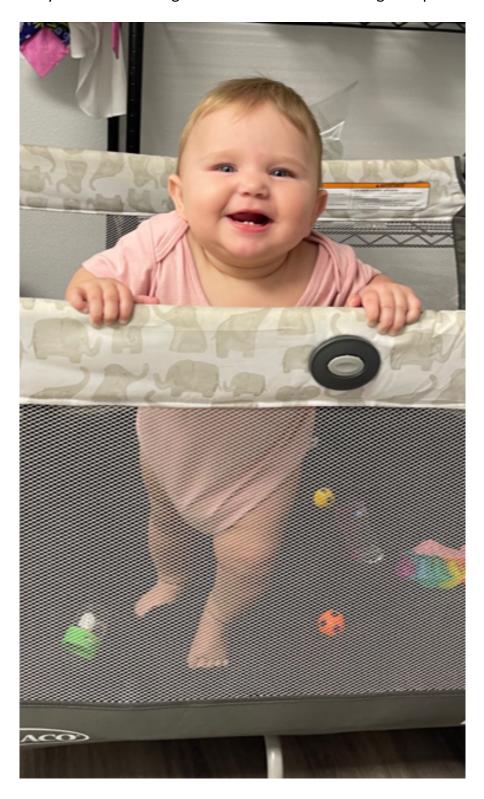
The surgery went well. The surgeon said her nose adjusted easily back into place. He felt that she also had a deviated septum but told Brody he didn't do anything with it as he felt certain that it was not related to this injury. He asked if Sophie snored before the accident. YES... it's adorable! Below: Recovering after surgery!



Sophie spent a couple of days quietly sitting. The doctor said she needs two full months of being careful not to bump/ hit her nose. The hardest part seems to be not being able to blow her nose at all. Her nose is leaking a fluid/ a little blood from the surgery that can only be dabbed. She has to not sniffle if possible. She is doing great!



Sweet little Clarity learned to pull herself up this week. It's hard enough learning to get your legs underneath you but to add to it, if you let go with your hands you topple over and it is very offensive. Having mom reassure and encourage keeps her smiling...



I have been thinking about being a parent and the constant reassurance our children need. It is our assurance and encouragement that gives them confidence in this world. As a parent of adult children I still encourage and reassure them.

I have been thinking about our Savior. I am grateful for the constant reassurance He gives me. I am grateful for the encouragement to keep going and that through Him, all will be well.

Old Testament

Isaiah 32:17-18

17 And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance for ever.

18 And my people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation and in sure dwellings, and in quiet resting places;

New Testament

2 Timothy 3:14-15

14 But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them;

15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

During a season of war a Nephite army prayed for help...

Book of Mormon

Alma 58:10-11

10 Therefore we did pour out our souls in prayer to God, that he would strengthen us and deliver us out of the hands of our enemies, yea, and also give us strength that we might retain our cities, and our lands, and our possessions, for the support of our people.

11 Yea, and it came to pass that the Lord our God did visit us with assurances that he would deliver us; yea, insomuch that he did speak peace to our souls, and did grant unto us great faith, and did cause us that we should hope for our deliverance in him.

I am so grateful for the assurances the Savior offers us. He will lift and encourage us during times of uncertainty. I know that to be true. I am grateful we can assure and comfort those around us and those entrusted into our care. I am grateful for the scriptures that teach us of our Savior's reassurance and compassion.

With love, Leslie

