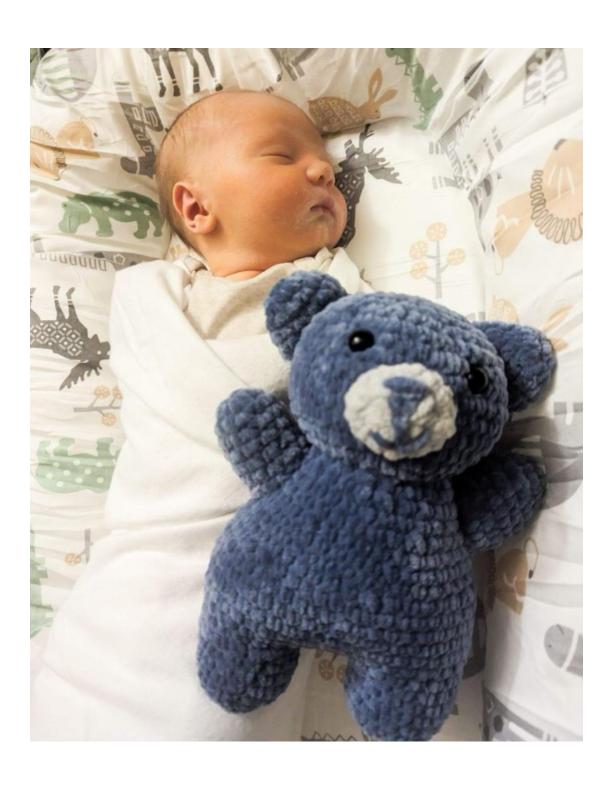
With Balthazar's Bazaar going on, they kids have been super busy. Lots of late nights, lots of hours of work. In the mix of it all, Sew Yeah acquired a store that was going out of business in Alaska. Ray and I flew to Alaska to pick up the fabric for them.

In the airport I got this picture from Alyssa! I called. She felt really excited, with apprehension mixed in. It's amazing how much you can love a little person you have not met. She is so excited to meet him. Alyssa will be a wonderful mother.



Greyson arrived about 3am. He came into the world weighing 7lbs 14oz. He is just beautiful.



I have been thinking about Greyson all week. It is our sacred responsibility to raise our children in a safe and secure home. To love them, build them and protect them. The scriptures refer to children often and our responsibility to watch over them and care for them.

New Testament

Mark 9:36-37

36 And he took a child, and set him in the midst of them; and when he had taken him in his arms, he said unto them,

37 "Whosoever shall receive one of such children in my name, receiveth me..."

Book of Mormon

Mosiah 4:15

But ye will teach them to walk in the ways of truth and soberness; ye will teach them to love one another, and to serve one another."

M Russell Ballard said,

"To teach our children the gospel of Jesus Christ and to protect them from the influences of a wicked world, love must abide in our homes."

President Gordon B Hinckley said "The greatest job that any woman will ever do will be in nurturing and teaching and living and encouraging and rearing her children in righteousness and truth. There is no other thing that will compare with that, regardless of what she does."

President Dallan H Oaks said,

"We need women who are devoted to shepherding God's children along the covenant path toward exaltation; women who know how to receive personal revelation, women who know how to call upon the powers of heaven to protect and strengthen children and families; women who teach fearlessly.

We must cherish and care for our children with unwavering dedication. We need to protect them from the evils in the world. There is so much wickedness in the world. It is our responsibility to teach our children and protect them from it. Every child should have the blessing of growing up in a safe environment and being loved and carefully watched over. All children should be treasured.

AND... I think that all children should feel the world revolves around them... at least all grandma's worlds...lol. I think it is also important to remember what a positive influence we can have on our children, even after they are no longer living at home.

I know that Alyssa will be a wonderful mother, teacher and friend. Greyson is so blessed to have her.

With love, Leslie