## **MERRY** 2021 **CHRISTMAS** THE MARSHALLS HAVE BEEN BUSY!

We have enjoyed this year. It's been a year of growth, independence, excellence and play! Here are a few of the highlights for each of us. We have found strength and love in each other especially in 2021. Our testimony of God has accelerated amid our current society issues as the kids have found confidence in their own unique voices and peace at home.



Loving. Positive. Artistic. Athletic. Kind. Age 9. School is a delight. Jade won 2 awards in art for film and photography. Plus she managed to be "most popular" at every class...from hip-hop to volleyball, tennis to Primary class. She excels at Math and anything else she tries. When not playing games with family, she's a latchkey kid at her best friends' homes.



Brave. Funny. Thoughtful. Intellectual. Age 11. He's grown to 5'-4" already! Besides finding new talents in football, skiing and gaming, Preston is a stellar student. His favorite book: Astrophysics for Kids. What?! Preston also won 2 awards for his art. He went on to take 2nd in the district for his photo "Gibbus" taken through his telescope. His best friend is Grammy...hands down.



Supportive. Humble. Easy-going. Fun. 2021 is the Year of Rian. He was awarded an elusive Utah Cross by the Governor and Senator for saving a civilian life while off-duty. He promotes the 2nd amendment and is fascinated with current legislation impacting it. Plus Rian is now Master Sergeant, receiving a coveted promotion to E-7. When not protecting the world, Rian is sleeping or helping Jen win "Parent of the Year 2022"...an ever worthwhile goal.



Vocal. Loyal. Sharing. Real. Driven. Creative. There hasn't been a pause button this year. Go. Go. Go. Her design business has tripled since 2020. She hosted 11 parties this year! Yet she finds time to cook Paleo recipes from scratch each day and post reviews about them. Jenalee is a youth volunteer leader and a Family History consultant in her neighborhood. Her latest passion is combining food and nutrition to promote real health. With the political chaos, Jen speaks up for freedom of choice.



THE JOY WE FEEL HAS LITTLE TO DO WITH THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF OUR LIVES AND EVERYTHING TO DO WITH THE FOCUS OF OUR LIVES.

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