



Dear Friends of Robin's Nest,

Happy New Year! We want to thank you for supporting us in 2020 with your prayers and generous donations. It has been a challenging year for everyone. We appreciate you!

*"We pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in Him" - Romans 15:13a (NLT)*  
 As we begin 2021, we'd like to share updates on a few of our former Robin's Nest children. We are grateful to their sponsors, prayer warriors and especially to their forever families. We hold you up in prayer as you continue down life's journey.

With grateful hearts,  
 Robin's Nest Children's Home

### **GOD'S BLESSINGS TO YOU IN 2021** (from former Robin's Nest Children (adopted ones))



M serves in the Airforce with security forces. He has adjusted well to life in the military. We are looking forward to seeing him when he comes back in February. We are thankful for the gift he has been to our family. We are especially thankful to all of the staff at Robin's Nest and the directors who helped form him into the man he is today. Miss Dawn is still considered his Jamaican mom as she was an instrumental mother figure for him for eight years at the Nest.

J gets good grades in school, did football in the fall and hoping to have a track season this coming spring. He got his black belt in taekwondo last fall. He is a true blessing to our family. His highlight was being a groomsman for his sister Dani's wedding in September.

E is in high school, on student council, plays piano and basketball. He was able to play AAU basketball this summer and now school ball. He is active and social, involved with many things at church. We ask that you pray with us that Enoch continues to walk with God and seek His will for his life."

D is a senior. He has really found his voice this year! Most know him as soft-spoken but after the murder of George Floyd, he spoke at a protest and has given testimony during several classes on Racial Unity at our church. He is currently working for Hy-Vee grocery and enjoys workouts in preparation for track season. He will graduate on May 24 and plans to attend Community College after high school.

J is in marching band, soccer and drum line. He is obsessed with nice tennis shoes, fast cars, fresh haircuts, donuts & ala carte lunches. He's moved up the fast-food chain from McDonald's to Wendy's (Mom also worked at Wendy's in high school). What a blessing.

K is in 8th grade, enjoys football and looking forward to basketball. He loves his dog Luna. He also likes going to youth group where he has a few really good friends. He is looking forward to the day we can travel to Jamaica again.

A is in 5th grade, plays violin in orchestra for school, loves to play with her little sister. This summer she tried a rec cheerleading team and had a lot of fun! She is a spunky girl with a lot of energy. We are always looking for a good way to put that energy to use. She hopes to “soon come back to Nest for a visit.”

N graduated from high school this year. She came to us at 15 months old, what a blessing she has been. She’s proud of her Jamaican roots.

S first came to the Nest when at 3 years of age. She was grateful to be adopted into her forever family at 15. She has been back to visit the Nest 3 times and loved seeing the staff again. She is grateful to Michelle Robinette, who made all this possible. She is now a preschool teacher at a Christian school where her mom is also a teacher.

W is in Kindergarten. He continues to bring joy and laughter into everything he does. He has endless energy and immense creativity. We had to postpone our Jamaica trip this year but cannot wait to go whenever we can.

K and S are both sophomores in high school now and doing well in spite of the craziness of 2020. When we first visited Robin’s Nest, God led us to consider adoption. Although they are not from Robin’s Nest, we are so grateful to have adopted from Jamaica and will always be grateful for Robin’s Nest.

A has been in our family for 14 years now. He is done growing but will always be our “little man”, small in stature but huge smiles and laughs. He was attending a day activity center until it closed in March due to COVID. His new “routine” is a walk down our driveway and back a couple times in the morning and can navigate the route and the ramp on our house with someone watching for safety. He loves music and movies and having his siblings around, as well as nieces and nephews. We thank God for putting Michelle in Jamaica when A needed her, and for enriching our lives with such a special person. (Names are not given to protect the privacy of the children)

Keep all the children of Robin’s Nest in your prayers. Some stories have rough journeys and prayers are always appreciated. Thanking God for each of you in this new year.