THE TEN-YEAR FAMILY PORTRAIT [™]	
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In ten years, we will have kids graduating college, and graduating the 8th grade. We hope to have all of the family debt paid off and to encourage our children to make good financial decisions as they enter adulthood. We hope that we will still play a positively influential role in guiding our children through these different life stages.	When God looks down on our family in ten years, we hope that He sees a family who is faithful to Him and the core family virtues that we chose to serve Him through. He will see a family with children in all different stages of life, but we hope that He sees a family who is faithful to their individual life callings and vocations.
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Think about what activities the family can do in ten years. In the space below, make a few notes about how your family intends to grow and flourish. Try to picture what a beautiful version of your family will look like ten years from today.	
We hope that each member in our family still desires to come together as a family and spend quality time together. We recognize that we may have children starting their own families, or children who live far away. As parents, we desire our children to feel supported by us in their vocations. We hope we can do this by frequently praying as a family for each member in our family, and by coming together as a family for meals as frequently as possible. We hope to always have open doors and a listening ear when our children seek our guidance.	



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In the coming years, we hope God looks upon our family and sees a household where faith and our chosen family virtues remain steadfast. We pray He sees our children progressing through various life stages, each pursuing their individual callings with dedication. Alongside these personal journeys, we aim to foster a united family spirit, despite the potential distances that may arise as our children embark on their own paths. Our aspiration as parents is to support them, whether near or far, through frequent prayers and shared meals (when possible), keeping our doors open and ready to offer guidance whenever they seek it.

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