

Dear Friends and Family,

Travis, Brig and I have some exciting news! We are humbled and honored to have been selected as this year's Ambassador family for the March of Dimes Signature Chef's Auction on October 1st.

As you may know, the March of Dimes organization is very near and dear to our hearts. Last December, our Brigham Wade was born unexpectedly at only 25 weeks gestation. He weighed only 1 pound and 13 ounces. During our four month stay in the NICU, each day brought new challenges, obstacles and blessings. Our lives as parents were turned upside down as our baby's life hung in the balance. I can promise you this- watching your own child's fight for survival gives you a whole new appreciation for life and the value of it. Our 'Tiny Guy' became our hero, our very own miracle. As we watch Brig grow and develop, we are amazed at how far he has come from his humble beginning, and our past fears have turned into daily joys.

The neonatal intensive care unit at Memorial Hospital in Savannah is an enormous reason why our Brig is now a healthy, growing 8 month old. The medical staff there is second to none, and they have helped give us a gift that we will never be able to repay- the life and health of our baby boy. Not a day goes by that we do not thank God for each and every one of them, and for their extraordinary dedication to their jobs. The doctors and nurses there have become a part of our lives, they are our friends and we love them like family!

Today, we choose to give back to the organization that supports premature baby research. I remember first receiving our March of Dimes bag at the NICU, with the books and photo album inside. It was a much appreciated [and needed] resource at the scariest time of our lives. Without the March of Dimes, our story could have had a much different result. We are so grateful to them that our story had a happy outcome. Sadly though, others whom we have met along this journey have had tragedy in their stories. This is why we believe ongoing research to prevent prematurity is so vital and why the mission of the

March of Dimes becomes truly resonates within us.

Travis and I would like to ask you to please consider helping fund the mission and work of the March of Dimes. We would love to have you join us at the Signature Chef's Auction event on October 1st at the beautiful Hyatt in downtown Savannah. Tickets and tables are available for purchase on their website at www.marchofdimes.org/georgia/events/events.html. We understand that many of you live too far away to attend this fantastic event, but ask that you still consider donating either at the website above (be sure to select Savannah Signature Chef's Auction) or by simply using the enclosed envelope.

We thank you for your consideration and for being apart of our journey. We cannot imagine where we would be without the love, support and prayers of people like you! We pray for you and thank God for you!

All our best, The Griffis Family

Jordan, Travis and Brig