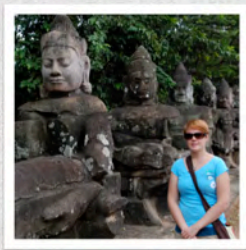


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*Wishing you the joys
of the holiday season
and good things in
2009!*

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SIEM REAP
*Alexis explores
the ancient
ruins in
Cambodia*

YANGON
*Alexis & JR
with our friend
Steven in
Myanmar*



SINGAPORE
*Alexis & Joe
enjoy a cocktail
at the Raffles
Hotel*

CAMBODIA
*Alexis & Joe at
Angkor Wat,
Siem Reap*



MYANMAR
*JR & Alexis on
the way to the
temples of Bago*

GRADUATE!
*Alexis gets her
Master's...
working on her
PHD!*



Wow! Is it the end of 2008 already!? Another year has seemingly come and gone...

The year stated out with JR transferring to the Fairmont Hotel Singapore in February and is back living at home again! It is great! Having some life in the house is wonderful. Saying that, he is hardly ever home. JR works 6-days a week, 12-hour shifts which reminds Joe why he doesn't miss hotel operations. In the little time they have together, Joe and JR have rediscovered Singapore and all the things that make it a great place to live.

Alexis received her Master's Degree from the University of California, Irvine and was granted a fellowship to pursue her PHD on the same campus. She was able to take a break from class and come home to Singapore for a month in August; it was great having the family together again... in the same house. While in Asia Alexis, Joe and JR took a couple of trips to Myanmar and Thailand. Alexis also 'mothered' JR and Joe with several home cooked meals and she filled the refrigerator with home baked cookies and plenty of leftovers to keep them going for a couple of weeks.

Joe continues to travel the region for his job. Australia & New Zealand have been added to his responsibilities so the travel times have lengthened a bit as those markets are 8+ hours flying time from Singapore. Joe made 3 trips to the USA this year, all too short! In July, JR, Alexis and Joe attended Joe's nephew's wedding in Southern California. Jason and Krista were married on 12 July 2008. It was great to catch up with family and friends on such a special occasion.

Wishing you and yours the happiest of holiday seasons along with health and true happiness in the New Year! Here is hoping that 2009 brings more prosperity to all.

Alexis, JR & Joe Hickman