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It's a new year. I'm finished with school, again, and I just don't know where I'm going next. We need to figure out a way to do better. Not that we are not doing well, but I just am so tired of struggling and not being able to be whimsical. Yet, I must give thanks to God for giving me the strength to come this far. We watched Pursuit of Happiness today. The little boy tells this joke about a man that was drowning, yet he turns down two boats that happen by and offer to rescue him. He tells them that God will save him. After drowning he asks God why he did not save him. God tells the man he sent him two boats. I wonder, do we just not see the salvation that is right in front of us? We keep looking for magical miracles and miss out on the tangible things. I just want to teach you guys right. I want to make you ready, and I don't want you to be lazy.

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I don't want you to quit and I don't want you to think that everything is always so easy. Things can be, but not everything is. I don't want you to be afraid of making tough decisions. I don't want you to be afraid of making mistakes - just learn from them. Look around you and learn from your surroundings. Don't learn all of your lessons from me. I'm not perfect. But, you both know that. I look at your pictures and time has just past so quickly. Emma, you never let me hold you enough. Brandon, you grew old too fast. You both need to keep a little youth in you.

Emma, you need to learn to mind your temper and your tongue - that will be your cross. Brandon, you need to learn to follow through and think - stop complaining.

Love, mom.