



Ashley's Angel Gram

CHRISTMAS MAGIC

Christmas is a time for Families, Fun, and Festivities! A time of family gatherings and holiday fun. A time for Santa, stars, ornaments, gifts, twinkling lights, hot cocoa, and gingerbread cookies.

The days are getting shorter and the weather has that winter chill in the air. We are all very excited with Christmas just around the corner. I have a lot of fun activities planned for the children which should keep the Christmas spirits high.

I would like to extend a special **Thank You** to all the parents who worked closely with me to ensure their child (ren) grew in both care and love here and in building a successful partnership with me this past year.



I BELIEVE by Jane Daugherty

I believe in children's laughter, the sweet perfume of a newborn baby's skin and that every child is entitled to happiness, decent housing, health care, proper nutrition and good education.

I believe that our schools should be places of discovery and growth, not of danger, that teachers should be paid more than lawyers and that parenting should be a required course in every high school.

I believe that "quality time" means substantial time spent with our children.

I believe that baseball and other children's games can be magical and should be wrestled from screaming, competitive coaches and returned to play.

I believe that childhood should be a time of sand castles and celebration and that the defense of innocence is as important as the defense of our borders.

And I believe that our most urgent mission should be putting the needs of our children first.



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Creating New Holiday Priorities

Deciding not to take on projects you can't handle is only the first step to enjoying the season. The second step is to change the way you view the holidays.

Let's talk priorities.

- Are you interested in taking care of your family?
- Do you want to find peace at home?
- Do you want your holidays to be clutter free?

If you've answered yes to all of these questions (which I know you did), then the priorities listed below are your three new holiday goals:

To take care of yourself. If you are staying up too late and not getting the proper rest, you are going to be sick, miserable and cranky.

To take care of your family's needs. Their needs are: laundry, meals and nurturing.

To take care of your home so it is a haven of peace for your family and guests. Don't say this can't be done! I am living proof and I know thousands of women who will attest to this joy in life.

Until Next Time...Here's to a great month full of *FUN* and *ENERGY*!

Suggested Reading Books

