Postcard from Iraq MAJ Mike Helton





My son, Jake, and I like the body armor the Army issues better than the ones we wore at Williamsburg, VA., before I deployed.

(Left) My wife, Michelle and me at my promotion; my sister, Kristin, and son Jake.

I deployed to Iraq in October '07, with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Gulf Region North District. I'm the Provincial Reconstruction Team engineer for the Diyala Province. Our mission at the PRT is to assist the young Government of Iraq on government, legal and business processes; and to build its capability to become self-sufficient and to sustain through the reconstruction of its neglected infrastructure.

I want to wish all of my family and friends a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Mike