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Annual Report

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Alaska Dream Center, KCAM, Strelna Lake, Gulkana, Copper Center, Globe Creek Camp, Bingle Camp, and World Eskimo/Indian Olympics



MISSION

Our mission is to build and send mission teams to encourage and serve primarily indigenous peoples of North America and provide tools to the local church to make passionate followers of Jesus Christ.





WHO WE ARE

LightShine Ministries is a non-profit organization based in Mount Joy, Pennsylvania. "We desire to encourage, disciple and teach men and women to be devoted followers of Jesus Christ to finish this life well (2 Corinthians 5:9-11)





WHY WE GO TO ALASKA

Alaska is a place of incredible beauty. Alaska is a thriving metropolis with hundreds of thousands of inhabitants and all the features of a big city. It is also many small, isolated native villages barely keeping alive by subsistence hunting and fishing. Living with little material goods and steeped in traditional culture, these residents mistrust outsiders who, in their view, have taken away much of their land and many of their freedoms. Looking beyond the beauty and vastness of this land one quickly sees the results of trying to cope with the harshness of living in a land of temperature extremes and light/dark seasons that wear on even these hardy souls.

Some of the results of trying to live in a spiritually dark world are:

Suicide rate three times higher than the rest of the country;

Abuse - physical and sexual abuse is rampant;

Alcoholism is nearly an epidemic.

Among the native populations only 5% of the people have accepted the light of Christ as their way of dealing with the darkness of the soul.

We go to Alaska to tear down walls of unbelief and the lies of Satan through the power of the Holy Spirit, speaking truth and meeting the needs of families and individuals.

LightShine Ministries has been serving in Alaska for 22 years.

Construction projects make up the most of our work. We built a church in Copper Center in 2012 & 2013 and in 2015 we built a guest house in Copper Center for the Wrangell Mountain Bible Conference. In the village of Gulkana, we helped them to build a bio-mass plant (pellet mill), remodel a building to make it into a teen center, after school tutoring, and guest quarters and helped them to expand the kitchen in their community center. We have worked at Globe Creek Camp since 2008,

WEIO (World Eskimo/Indian Olympics) in Fairbanks since 2013, Bingle Camp since 2015 and in 2017, we starting working with The Women's Alaska Dream Center in Willow and KCAM Radio Station in Glennallen.







OUR VOLUNTEERS

In 2017, LightShine Ministries sent nine teams with a total of 65 volunteers to eight different locations in Alaska.

Each team provided five days of labor at eight to ten hours per day. The value of their efforts provided Alaskans with nearly \$68,000 worth of labor. Given the short construction season in Alaska, one team of eight volunteers can do in one week what it would take one person most of the summer to accomplish.

It can be difficult to find volunteers from the villages in the summer because they are busy with their own needs including storing enough food and firewood for the rapidly approaching cold season. This makes LightShine volunteers especially valuable for these projects.

LightShine volunteers and their supporters are making a difference in the lives of children, village residents and ministries that serve them by their sense of mission and their desire to share the love of God in a distant place.

OUR NEW BASE CAMP

In 2017, the LSM board members made a decision to actively start looking for a property to purchase for the ministry's base camp in Alaska and in October 2017 we were able to raise \$40,000 in 5 weeks from God's people to purchase 4.62 acres in Palmer, Alaska.

The first building on our newly acquired property will be a 28'x60' garage that will house our vehicles, trailers, and tools. This building will also have living quarters upstairs and include a kitchen, dining area and bathroom. This is a much needed building which we have been praying for for many years. The harsh Alaskan winters are hard on vehicles and we are thankful that we will be finally able to keep our things inside this coming winter. In the next few years, we will be working on raising additional funds to build a lodge that will be able to house more team members.





BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Tom Denlinger Carl Ginder Steve Hoey Nancy Brown Jeff Zimmerman Mel Miller Ron Good Ben Ebersole

INCOME

Income 💌	An	nount 🔼
General Donations	\$	124,092
Mission Support Income	\$	27,525
Service Revenue	\$	1,641
Interest Earned	\$	пб ј



EXPENSES

EXPENSES	AMOUNT		
Mission Project - Sardonyx	\$	1,734	
Mission Travel - Admin	\$	5,036	
Mission Travel - Air	\$	46,338	
Mission Travel - Food	s	9,463	
Mission Travel - Ground	\$	7,205	
Mission Travel - Lodging	s	4,273	
Mission - Direct labor	\$	1,000	
Mission Shirts	\$	1,430	



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