

Greetings in the Name of our LORD, Jesus Christ!

Christmas 2018

What an exciting time of year when many stores are playing worship songs honoring our LORD and proclaiming Him as the King of Kings - the Mighty God! Worship Him with us and anticipate great things in the coming days and ask Him to draw many to Himself during this season of joy!

It is a good time to rest and thank the LORD for all He continues to do in our lives. For many of us, we need to stop working so feverishly and worrying about the future and enjoy today. We need to sit quietly before Him and ask Him to speak deeply and give us wisdom and direction for



the coming year. Simply reflect on the simple pleasures our Father has given us. Take time to quietly read and meditate on the following thoughts...

Thank You, Father for health and strength. Thank You for Your love and grace and Your incredible forgiveness that allows us to come into Your presence and enjoy Your fullness. Father, thank You for providing all that we need to live to glorify You on this earth! In Jesus' Name! Amen.

We are so thankful at this time of year when we reflect on God's faithfulness in supplying all of our needs (Philippians 4:19).

In November of 2017 we were able to purchase our first property in Alaska that will serve as our missionary base camp for years to come. In **Phase I**, we were able to raise the remaining money needed to purchase the property which sold for \$100,000. In August of this year, in **Phase 2**, we spent \$18,300 clearing land, building a road into our property and prepare the ground for building a three-car garage. In the photo below, you can see our new missionary base camp in the making! Lord willing, the new garage will be built in May/June 2019 where the bulldozer is working. God is so good!

We are now entering **Phase 3** when we must raise the money for purchasing building materials for this new garage which will also house teams. In 2019, 6 different skilled teams are forming to complete this much needed building. By this time next year, our goal is to have all of our vehicles, trailers and tools inside for the winter. This will be a first for us in 23 years of working in Alaska.

Would you consider joining one of our teams for 2019? We are also taking 7 other additional teams to our regularly scheduled places of ministry throughout the state. The following is a list of the teams that are scheduled so far:

Alaska Dream Center in Willow -**March I - II** - Carpenters and general labor to enclose a balcony, cut firewood and make repairs to buildings.

Set Up Team at our Base Camp - **May 15 - 26** - This team will be a "roughin' it" team living in tents, building an outhouse, equipping the cook house with water and electric systems, building a small kitchenette and gas stove for the coming teams.



Foundation Crew at our Base Camp - **May 18 - June 2** - This team will be preparing the foundation for the framing crew coming next. They will also be pouring and finishing the floor.

Framing Crew at our Base Camp - **June I - 9** - This team will be framing a 28' x 60' structure with three garage bays and trussing system above the garage with an upsairs room for housing teams.

Roofing and Exterior Crew at our Base Camp - **June 7 - 16** - This team will be installing a metal roof, siding, soffit and fascia, and windows and doors.

Gulkana Village - June 14 - 22 - General construction skills are needed to work at this Alaskan Native Ahtna village.

Electrical Crew at our Base Camp - **June 22 - 30** - We need 3 electricians for this team installing all our electrical service for our new building on our missionary base.

Bingle Camp at Harding Lake - June 27 - July 7 - We will be serving the camp doing various projects. General construction skills are needed!

World Eskimo & Indian Olympics (WEIO) - July 13 - 23 - Serve the leaders of the games doing whatever you are asked to do. Long hours but an exciting ministry opportunity!

Globe Creek Camp north of Fairbanks - **July 26 - August 4** - General construction, firewood cutting and a willingness to do whatever is asked of you. We have been helping build this camp since 2008.

Regent Life Church in Homer - **September 26 - October 7** - This will be our second year working with this church. More information can be found on our website.

We encourage you to visit our website and prayerfully decide which team you want to join. Simply follow the instructions that each team leader has outlined. We suggest that you are prompt in joining a team so you can begin raising your missionary support as soon as possible. Once you get the financial obligations met, you will enjoy the process your team leader takes you through to prepare you for your assignment. This will be a life changing experience - not just for you, but also for those you are going to serve!

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We encourage you to visit our website and watch videos, read personal testimonies, view team photo reports and catch the vision of using your gifts and talents to bless churches, Bible camps and other ministries in Alaska. We need to raise \$77,500 in order to purchase the building materials needed for construction of our new garage. Please consider giving a tax deductible donation before December 31 towards building this much needed garage. Thank you so much!

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