

Tom & Ruth Denlinger Family Newsletter - September 2013

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Hello Everyone!

It has been a long eventful summer and I want to share a few things with you to update you on how the LORD is using our ministry to establish His Kingdom in Alaska. Earlier this past Spring I spent three weeks in Alaska meeting with ministry leaders there - planning with them how our teams would serve them this past summer. This past week, our seventh team returned home and they were all filled with vision and excitement for all that God had done in them during their time in Alaska. Never forget that much of the ministry that is done through LightShine is in the individual people who go. **In the past 18 years, I have met very few people who returned to their "normal" lives unchanged.** I am so thankful for the ability to do the work of God in this way. There are not many things that make

me happier than seeing tears in the eyes of people who experienced God in a new and exciting way as they stepped out in faith and obeyed His call.



(L-R) Tom, Chloe, Alex, Ruth & Ryan

Our family experienced something new this year that both shook us and brought us inexpressible joy all at the same time. Our 18 year old son, Ryan, was our first to leave home and left for ministry school with Youth With A Mission (YWAM) Arctic Mercy in Homer, Alaska. We are a very close family and that was hard - I will admit, especially for me. But we remain close and I love talking to Ryan on Voxer through the Internet on the weekends. **Ruth and I are training all of our children to be "culture changers"** and Ryan is the first one to "hit the streets"!

Please **pray** for wisdom and Divine favor to continue to also rest on our oldest son, Alex, who has an exciting vision for developing a ministry which is designed to move vast sums of money into Kingdom building ministries all over the world. If those of you who are gifted in stock trading and the foreign exchange market want to hear the vision the LORD has given to Alex, I think it would greatly encourage you.

Please also **pray** for our daughter, Chloe, who is a worshipper at heart and has a huge heart for children's camping ministry. **Pray** for the LORD to confirm in her the ministry He has for her and give His supernatural vision for the path she is to take. Seeing her two brothers who are "out there doing it" while she still has two more years of homeschooling is sometimes hard for her. But I know the LORD will do great things through Chloe in the coming years.

Ruth and I continue to diligently work on building our home and ministry and are seeking God's leading in further ministry development in Alaska. **I am returning to Alaska on October 12 to do a follow up administrative trip. I will be meeting with more ministry leaders and listening to their needs for more teams in 2014. I am very excited about this trip.** On the way to Alaska I will be attending a Native American Training School in Oklahoma for a week of training. I have a deep and convicting passion for seeing the native people of North America freed from the bondage of the god of this world (2 Corinthians 4:4). Scripture is clear on this and removing this veil is the heart cry of my calling. The physical work we do helps build trust and provide tools for native and white leaders to more effectively minister to the people of their villages. But ultimately, I want to see the power of God move to push back the enemy that wants nothing more than to kill, steal and destroy them (John 10:10).

Would you help me do this work? I must raise \$4,000 to spend one week in Oklahoma and two weeks in Alaska. My job is to find out what needs to happen in Alaska and delegate these missionary assignments to our LightShine team leaders in Pennsylvania. The LORD has brought many good men and women to us in the past two decades. We continue to grow. **But I must personally raise my own missionary support to do my job. Thank you so much for your partnership.** If you ever want to meet with me personally, please tell me. Thank you so much!

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