

# Tom & Ruth Denlinger Prayer Requests - December 2023

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Hello Everyone!

**Merry Christmas to you and your family.** What an incredible year it has been and 2024 will bring more exciting opportunities for people to do what God created them to do. So far, we have 16 teams planned and two of them are off the road system! Flying to villages in the interior of Alaska will be an exciting new challenge.

What we do at LightShine Ministries is turn needs on the mission field into opportunities for people who want to serve. Over the years, I have heard many people say, *"I constantly seek the Lord what He wants me to do, but I don't what TO do!"*

**Over the almost three decades of building relationships with leaders in churches, Bible camps and other ministries across Alaska, our team leaders in Pennsylvania regularly communicate with them and plan teams to accomplish specific jobs.**

One of my jobs is to encourage our team leaders individually in order to help them achieve an effective team. I have learned over the years that because we are a service based ministry, sometimes we forget about the primary calling we have as followers of Jesus Christ **to disciple people as He told us to do in Matthew 28:18-20** so they can be trained and deployed as new team leaders. We actively seek out those on our teams who have leadership potential and "nudge them" to consider making a life long commitment to missions. In Alaska alone, there are more needs there than we have leaders to serve them. But God is moving in the hearts of many!

Thank you for your years of prayer and financial support for me as a missionary with LightShine. We send you this newsletter to help you understand what I do. **I need to raise \$5,250 per month to cover my salary. The money that comes in from our supporters goes into a column in our ministry's books that I draw from when I report my hours each week.** If you ever want to talk to me personally, I would be happy to answer any questions that you might have. **Thank you so much!**

*Merry Christmas*  
*from Tom & Ruth Denlinger*



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