

## Eric & Heather Weaver's Newsletter

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Happy new year everyone!

I can't believe January is almost half over already! I'm so ready to start planning for this year's trip with LightShine. It is currently colder here than it is in Pedro Bay (where I served last year)!

Right now I am working with 3 other leaders to put together a "leader guide". This booklet will tell a new or returning leader everything they need to know about leading a team. From what it means to be a leader, to the details you're in charge of for the trip. I'm really looking forward to having this guide to help me and other potential leaders learn the ropes and feel more confident.

Speaking of leading, I will again be co-leading the team to Pedro Bay with Steve Hoey in late August. I am very excited to be going back and to continue to grow the relationship with them there and to again have the opportunity to learn from Steve. We don't have any details yet, but I anticipate doing more work to the church/parsonage where we worked and stayed last year, hopefully the hot water will be working this time!

And some exciting news! Eric will be joining me on a trip in June to The Dream Center in Palmer, AK. The Dream Center is a drug and alcohol rehabilitation center that really focuses on your relationship with Jesus and your calling in life. We will be assembling housing units that were previously used on an Army base in Anchorage. More details on that to come!

LightShine is growing! We are launching phase 9 of our building plan at the base in Palmer. We now have a couple living there year round to care for the property, to support teams and to build relationships with the local community. We need more bunk space to accommodate all the teams that are serving! So, we are raising funds for this new spring project. More details will follow on a fundraising banquet in March.

As always, I ask for your prayers. That God would use me, that I would let Him. That He would prepare the work for us to do, and the people who will be involved. That funds for Eric and I to go would be available. That funds for the needed expansion would be provided.

You can read my previous newsletters and also learn more about LightShine and all the teams, at the website above. Donations can be made by clicking the link on the bottom of my page on the website.

Thank you all for your support! And thank you Lord for your goodness to us. I encourage you to take time to read Psalm 23. I know it is a familiar passage, but it always refreshes my spirit.

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