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September 2025 Newsletter:

ALASKA BOUND

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Hello again from Alaska!

Sorry it has been a while since our last newsletter. We did have one written up in July but never got it finished and sent out. We have had a very good summer with many coming and going through the ministry base. Our teams have been such a blessing to our ministry hosts around the state. Also, the teams that have worked here at the base property have been such a blessing to us personally and to LightShine Ministries. Angie and I have been blessed with a wonderful garage attached to the house. Very nice to have our vehicles inside (especially with Winter around the corner), and to have a place for my tools with room for working. Another large garage was built for the ministry to store all of the vehicles and tools in with a workshop. This will enable us to transform the lower area of the Bunkhouse that was a three vehicle garage into more sleeping area and extra bathrooms. This will create more space for LightShine to host multiple teams at a time. We are so thankful for the many individuals who donated to LightShine for the purchase of the building supplies. May God bless each and every one of them greatly.

Back on July 14th, I (Bob) had an incident with a large bull moose, and he got the best of me. A native friend of LightShine donated 2 moose racks, 2 caribou racks, 1 brown bear rug and a sheep horn mount. The large racks were delivered on Saturday and were laying on the floor in the bunkhouse garage. At lunch time on Monday I walked in and thought "I need to get these on the wall before someone trips on them and get hurt." So I moved the largest moose rack against the work bench for some measurements and when I stepped out my left foot caught on some tines and down I went. It happened so fast all I could do was throw my arm out. In doing so I destroyed my shoulder by completely tearing the muscles off my rotator cuff and splitting the tendon in half for the bicep. I had surgery on August 1 to repair it and am now working through physical therapy. It is going good, they're pleased with my progress, and I am getting most of my mobility back. I am restricted to 11lb for lifting with my upper arm. By the way, I did get the mounts hung by the next day with help from the team here working on the large garage.

Angie's brother Bob & sister-in-law Penny arrived on September 16th for some quality time together. They are helping us do some miscellaneous things around here, but we are also having fun exploring different areas around Alaska together. We have a couple trips planned for later this week and next. The last team for this year will be arriving on October 3rd, and will be working at North Star Bible Camp. Bob & Penny are also part of that team with us. We are looking forward to working with this camp for the first time this year and partnering with them. This team will be finishing up things on a house the camp built this year for staff housing for the bible school. We will be building decks, roofs over doors, installing appliances, and many other miscellaneous items.

Angie and I will be returning to PA on October 27th for about 2 months to visit family and friends. We can't wait to see our grandkids and kids again and hold them tight. We are also anxious to meet our 7th grandbaby due in December. During this time, Angie will have her dental work completed that was started back in February. We will also be able to attend the monthly LightShine meetings for November and December. Looking forward to opportunities to see many friends and family again and reconnecting while home.

Winter is on the way here and the mountain tops are getting snow the last couple of days. It won't be long till snow starts flying. It is a very beautiful time of the year with the bright fall colors of yellow birch and aspen leaves, bright reds of fireweed and other ground plants. The leaves have really started falling the last couple of days and will probably be all down in another week.

Warmest regards,
Bob & Angie Neuenschwander

Prayer Requests:

- Health and energy for team members as they travel and work.
- Team Leaders for planning and directing team.
- For all the logistics of travel and organization for the remaining team.
- That the Love of Jesus would shine through each of us every day.
- Travel, health, and safety for our return visit home to Pennsylvania.
- Continued connections for future ministries.
- Prayers for Angie's remaining dental work.



You can see the Fall leaves and snow-capped mountains.
Penny, Bob, Angie, Bob



The moose that got Bob! 🍖



Garage attached to our home with the breezeway connecting them.



The new large garage for ministry use.



We also recently traveled North to Fairbanks to visit with various ministry partners with Steve & Renee Hoey. We arrived a little early, and were able to stop in to visit Santa at the North Pole the one day!

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