

Merry Christmas from Delta Junction, Alaska. We praise the Lord for His wonderful gift of salvation. "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6

What a year this has been with some physical problems and time in the hospital, time in the lower 48 on furlough for four months and back to Alaska and to the people we have an indescribable love and burden for and then back to the hospital again with another stubborn kidney stone that refused to move and required surgical intervention. But through it all the Lord has been so good and merciful. Several times I wondered what was going on and what He was doing. But never for one moment was He out of control of any of the circumstances. It was all planned events by Him before the foundation of the world. He just wanted me to trust Him and get my eyes off the circumstances. When I did, there was a comfort and peace that came that only He could give.

We are thankful for all the Lord has done and for the opportunities He has given us to get the Gospel to the people here in Delta Junction as well as to other areas of the Interior of Alaska. The Lord has given us more and more opportunities to minister to those that have very little, if anything, to do with God. God put us and them in circumstances that bring us together and gave us opportunities to witness to them and show them His love.

After we returned in August, Michael asked if I would help him finish building his cabin. Thankfully, the Lord blessed and we were able to get it completed by the end of September before the first snowfall. The other day I was helping him fill up some containers with water for him to use at his cabin. When we returned to his cabin we saw his neighbor, Jonathan. Jonathan and I have been discussing things about God off and on since we got back from the lower 48. He has been really open and says that he made a profession when he was a child but is just not sure about his salvation. Michael went with me up to Jonathan's cabin and we began to talk again about the Bible and God. Usually Michael will either walk away or change the subject when the Bible or anything about God is mentioned. But as Jonathan and I talked more, Michael stayed and listened. That is a great step in the right direction. I praise the Lord for what may seem like a little thing, but for Michael to stay, listen and not to interrupt was a great blessing. Please keep these two men and the many others with whom we have contact, especially those who are so hard and cold to anything about God.



I have mentioned Betty many times, a dear 100 year old lady that we visit several times each week. She fell two weeks ago and broke her hip. They did not think she would survive the surgery. But God spared her life. The surgeon said that if she did survive the surgery most likely she would never walk again. Well, God had other plans. Now she is at home and using a walker. What a wonderful God we serve. Please pray, not only for the physical need but for the spiritual need of her and her son, Bobby. Yesterday we visited with and took her a Bible lesson, something we have been doing for many years. She asked that I pray with her today. There was something different today than in other times. Please keep them in prayer.



We are thankful for each and every one of you, for your faithful prayers, financial gifts and support. We are so blessed to have such wonderful churches and individuals that are standing with us in this work that God has given to us. It is such a wonderful opportunity to be able to carry the Gospel to the people of Delta Junction and surrounding areas. May God bless you greatly.

Your missionaries,

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