

Merry Christmas From The Wyricks

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Alaska,

What a year this has been! The first four months were spent in the lower 48 helping Nancy's parents. We also were able to visit many of our supporting churches and present the work in some new churches. We also were able to be a part of a homeless outreach ministry in Greensboro, NC through our home church, McLeansville Baptist Church. It was good to be able to see a lot of old friends and to make many new ones as well. Last Christmas was the first time in almost twenty years that we were able to spend time with family during Christmas and that was a real blessing.

Praise the Lord we were able to purchase a much newer vehicle while in the lower 48. Lord willing, we plan to drive it back to Alaska in the spring or perhaps the summer. We are trusting the Lord to show us when it will be the best time to do that or even have someone else drive it back for us. I had a friend in Idaho offer to haul it back to Idaho where we would go get it there. We have even had individuals offer to bring it to us in Alaska. We are seeking guidance from the Lord for His plan to get it here.

We praise the Lord for all the opportunities He has given us to minister this year. Some people have been very open to the Gospel while others have been very closed to it, but either way, we were able to share the Gospel. We just pray that the Holy Spirit will use something that was said to open their hearts and that they will be saved.

The Saturday after Thanksgiving, God gave me a great opportunity to witness to a paramedic that was treating me in the back of an ambulance as they transported me to the hospital in Fairbanks. I had been sick since Thanksgiving Day and the medics came over to check my vitals. The paramedic and Nancy decided that I needed to go to the ER. On the way I was able to have a really good conversation with the paramedic. I have known her for a while but never had the opportunity to really talk with her. When I was around her it was usually during an emergency when she was busy treating a patient. I had only had short conversations with her about the Gospel. But this time I was the patient and I had her full attention since my O₂ level was low and I possibly had pneumonia. It was a wonderful opportunity to talk with her. I told her when we got to the ER that maybe I was sick so that I would have the opportunity to talk with her. She is very open and I have had several opportunities since then to share Scripture with her and tell her that I am praying for her. Please pray for her and all the First Responders here. Thank the Lord I did not have pneumonia. But I did have the flu and stayed overnight in the hospital. Praise the Lord I am doing much better and getting over the cough that I have had for several weeks.

Nancy and I appreciate all that you have done for us this past year. We are thankful for all the prayers and support and understanding as I had to be away from the ministry here in Alaska for 8 months. The kind words of encouragement that we have received mean so much and are a blessing to us.

We pray that each of you have a wonderful Christmas with family and friends. May this coming year be a year that God will use all of us as He has never used us before, all for His honor and glory.

Your Missionaries in Delta Junction, Alaska,

Emie + Maney Wyrick

Isaiah 9:6 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.

