ALASKA MISSION FOR CHRIST

A Bold Witness in Every Community in Alaska.

Merry Christmas From Alaska Mission for Christ

December 2015

I would like to wish all of you and your families a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Blessed New Year.

It is hard to believe that another year is about to end. As I reflect back on this past year, I have many blessings to be thankful for. I thank God for all the volunteers that God called to be involved in His work in Alaska. Some were volunteers that actually came to Alaska and shared His love with both children and adults. Some were those of you who supported us financially. Many of you were those that kept Alaska Mission for Christ in your prayers. It is truly a blessing to have so many people praying for us.

Many of the teams that came to Alaska in the summer make sure that one of their VBS lessons is the birth of Jesus. They have a lot of fun celebrating Christmas in the summer. One of the teams talked about how we get messages today. For example: Cell Phone, E-Mail, Snail Mail, Texting and someone coming to your house to deliver you a message. Then they focused on the message that the angels brought to the shepherds.

A few years ago, a team flew into a remote village. One of the team members formed a great relationship with some children that lived 2 miles out of town. The only way that they could get a message was if someone brought it to them. The team decided to send Christmas greetings to all the children that came to VBS. So the family that lived 2 miles out of town had to get the greeting by someone bringing the message to them. One of the elders was kind enough to make the 2 mile trip out of town to bring those children the same greeting that everyone else got. When they got the message, they were overjoyed that the team thought of them also.

The message that I would like to leave you with is:

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Ruth Zellar

Artwork made by VBS Children in Alaska

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Pray

Volunteer

Give

Volunteer In-Gathering

What: A semi-annual gathering of AMC volunteers to share resources and ideas for reaching out with the love of Jesus in Alaska.

When: January 22 to 23, 2016

Where: St. Paul Lutheran Church, Matteson, IL.

Servant Event Coordinator

Who: All present, past, and future AMC volunteers.

Contact: Ruth for more information.
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A real live reindeer (caribou) in the wild. I bet Santa wishes he could use this one.

Alaska Mission for Christ and **Faith Lutheran Church** in are in the process of calling a missionary for Southeast Alaska. Please pray that the Lord will supply all of our financial and other needs to make this plan a reality. You can donate to this effort by going on the website at:

http://www.alaskamissionforchrist.org/take-action

Then press the make a donation link and choose Southeast Ministry/Juneau. Or you can send a donation to:

Alaska Mission for Christ,
8100 ARCTIC BLVD,
ANCHORAGE, AK, 99518

With Southeast/Juneau in the memo line.

PRAY FOR US

- Pray for AMC as we pray, make plans, and evaluate how to engage Southwest Alaska with the Good News of Jesus Christ. May God give us wisdom and courage to move forward to meet the needs in that part of the State.
- Pray for the call process as we seek a new missionary to serve Faith Lutheran Church in Juneau and Alaska Mission for Christ.
- Pray for our Hmong outreach and training. Pray the Lord will guide us with wisdom as we seek to equip two men to serve as Licensed Deacons in that community.
- Pray for the LCMS as it evaluates the ministry of Licensed Deacons in the months coming up to the 2016 Convention. A recommendation has been made to stop Licensed Deacon Ministry in the LCMS. Pray that the Lord will give us clarity as we think about this so the Gospel can move forward.
- Thank God for the Rev. Keith Aschenbeck and family's new home in Tok. They are warm and even have room to move around this winter.
- Pray that Alaskans hear the real message of Christmas this year!

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