

Pray for Job and Bethany Hale



Church Planting Missionaries

Napakiak, Alaska & Bethel Region

June 2024 Update

Dear praying friends and partners in the faith –

We are excited to share with you what the LORD has done over the last month. Summer seems to have finally arrived; we've had several days with outside temperatures in the 70's which is really hot for us here. Although, this morning it was back to 35 degrees. Unpredictable Alaska weather!

Six young people have given their hearts to Jesus since our last update! Tristan, Marcus, Jaedyn, Steven, Christopher, and Kaitlyn - please pray for these young people as we work to discipleship them.

The world's distractions are strong and it can be difficult for motivation to be found when one's friends and family are largely un-Christian.

On May 25th, **the Bibles arrived!!!!** We went down to the river and watched the barge land at the bank to unload. It was mostly full of construction supplies for the new school that's being built here, and in the middle was the Conex with 15,000 King James Bibles! A couple days later the Conex was brought to our place by a big loader and set in the yard. We've started stuffing each of them with a gospel tract and a flyer of information about how to read the Bible and how to get in touch with us.

The other day we got a Bible into each house in Napakiak, and the plan is to branch out to other villages as soon as we can.

This week is our Napakiak VBS - "Vacation Bible School" for village kids and teens to come learn about the love of God while enjoying a Bible lesson, fun activities, a snack, and earning points that they can spend in the VBS store at the end. It's been an awesome time and it's encouraging to see the kids interacting and enthusiastic about what we have for them. The theme this year is hunting - setting our sights on the LORD and following the blood trail of salvation.

Several people from the lower 48 and Alaska have come and are helping us with lots of things including the VBS, garden work, and construction. We have gotten so much done with their willing hands and hearts, and life goes much smoother with more hands on deck. **Praise the Lord for helpers!**

Having the **extra space in the church area now** that the temporary bedroom is gone is a huge blessing. We can fit a lot more chairs and do more action games, set up tables, etc. The flooring has been completed on the bottom portion of the addition - next is finishing out things to make it a cozy part of our home. The loft area has yet to be worked on much - we've paused on that for now to focus on other projects, such as putting an addition on the guesthouse so we have more beds for helpers that come out.

We had hoped to have the potato garden planted by now, however, when we attempted to put down topsoil a week and a half ago, the ground was much too soft and muddy. We built some raised beds to put the soil in instead, and we'll plant some cabbage and other things in those. We attempted to use the rototiller to turn the dirt over, and a major part on it broke and we had to get that fixed. So now **we're looking at getting the garden in this week**, in between doing VBS.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Pray that VBS this week will plant seeds in the hearts of those who come.
- Continue praying for the Bibles which have now arrived, and the efforts of getting them into peoples' hands.
- Pray that the rototiller has no more issues and we can get the garden finished.
- Pray for Tristan, Marcus, Jaedyn, Steven, Christopher, and Kaitlyn - new Christians.

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