

Pray for Job and Bethany Hale



Church Planting Missionaries

Napakiaak, Alaska

February 2025 Update

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ –

Hello again. We pray this letter finds you doing well and following after our LORD and Saviour. His goodness is never-ending, and we praise him!

We were hunting moose on the Yukon when we received the news of Bethany's mother Debbie passing away, via one of her sisters messaging our Garmin GPS device. The next day was New Year's and Alaska Airlines does not fly in or out of Bethel on

Christmas Day or New Year's, so we stayed out there to set up our wall tent for winter camp and then headed back the 80 miles home by snow machine.

Bethany flew commercially to Georgia for the funeral – two days traveling down, a day and a half there, and two days traveling back. Due to financial and circumstantial issues I was sadly unable to join her. It was a short but good trip for her, and she was able to see her dad and all of her siblings. Her mom had dealt with rheumatoid arthritis for many years and was diagnosed with congestive heart failure last year. **We are rejoicing that she is in a place worshipping Jesus in person**, pain-free and living the half that's not been told. Hallelujah! Prayers are appreciated for Bethany's father Joel as he navigates this loss (he and Debbie were married for 47 years) and determines what God has for him next.



There was another baptism in Napakiaak on January 5th - a man named Aaron who professed faith in 2018 and wanted to take the step of obedience in getting baptized. It has been a wonderful thing watching God work in his life and the lives of his family. We are praying for continued growth for them and for their testimonies to shine in the lives of others.

A man and his wife visited from Tennessee for two weeks on a survey trip, they are feeling called to Native Alaskan missions and came to experience village life for a bit and gain perspective in what God may have for their future. It was lots of fun showing them around and going to **ten different villages** while they were here. **We passed out Bibles in Aniak and Akiachak** and made some good connections. **Please pray that we will have wisdom with some possible opportunities for reaching further into these communities.**

At the end of February, we will have **our very first missions conference here at the Armory of God Baptist Church**. Two Alaska missionary families are scheduled to come present their ministries and we look forward to having a chance to get to know them more before LORD-willing taking them on for support. We're excited for the church here to grow and the people to catch a vision for serving God.

Thank you for praying for us!

Bethany and her mom Debbie

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