The Nolands

Pointing Arctic Canada to Christ

Ministry Update

Matthew 28:6 *He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.* Praise the Lord that He is alive and through faith in Him we too are alive!

The only way to describe a trip to the Holy Land is amazing! I was told by others who had visited there that it would make your study of the Bible go from black and white into full colour, and they were right! Almost every time I open my Bible I read of an event that happened in a place I had the opportunity to visit. One of the highlights of the trip was the opportunity I was given to preach at what is known as Gideon Springs. This is the place recorded in Judges 7 where the Lord cut the number of soldiers going into battle from 32000 to 300. How great it is to know that everything God does in our life is to lead us in His will for our life.

This March we spent a little more time then usual on the ice road. The church in Inuvik is starting a camp ministry that we have the opportunity to help with. The camp property is in the Mackenzie River Delta about halfway between Aklavik and Inuvik. A one lane ice road, about 40 miles long was plowed on the rivers to allow vehicle access. We used our pickups and trailers to haul the building materials out near the site and then used snowmobiles to haul the materials from the river up to the property. In June a crew with CLAIM ministry will be here to help build the main building. Access to the camp in the summer is by boat only. This will be another use for the boat that the Lord provided for us a couple of years ago.

One of the highlights of our year is our Easter service. Every year on Easter weekend the community of Aklavik holds a Spring Jamboree. With the ice road still open people from all around the area travel in for a weekend of events. We decided to have a breakfast and special service again this year to celebrate the resurrection. Our building was busting at the seams with 65 people attending, several being first time visitors.

The short Arctic summer is always busy with outside projects and activities. Our plans for this summer include spending time at the camp helping with the construction project, replacing the window that was broken in the robbery, some other needs to our church building, and construction of a much needed garage/workshop at our house. Building materials are very expensive here but last summer I was able to tear down an old house and salvage most of the materials for the garage.

Pam and I thank each of you for your prayers and support for our family.

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Furlough Update

We are planning a furlough from February to June 2020 and look forward to being able to see many of you then. Praise the Lord we have many meetings scheduled already.

The Lord has blessed the ministry here with a young family from Pennsylvania to come and fill in for us while we are out. Bro. Phil Seeley is the Assistant Pastor at Grace Bible Independent Baptist Church and has been to Aklavik before with his wife during a past Bible Conference. Everyone here is excited to welcome them and their three children to serve the Lord here in our absence.

Prayer Request

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- Group and individual Bible studies
- Those who have heard the gospel and still need to accept Christ.
- Our family
- Summer ministry plans
- Furlough schedule
- Health and strength for Pam and I