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Ministry Update

Acts 14:27 And when they were come, and had gathered the church together, they rehearsed all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles. As I have prepared for our furlough it has been a great time of reflection on all the Lord has done during our 14 years in the Arctic. Our family rejoices and gives thanks unto the Lord for calling us to serve Him in the Far North!

Our Winter Bible Conference in November was great! We had several first time visitors to the preaching services where the Word of God was faithfully preached by Pastor Pierce. The fellowship and encouragement from the people of Liberty Baptist Church that came was a blessing to our family and our church. Some seeds were planted, some watered, and we are trusting God to give the increase!

December was busy as always with events at church and in the community. We had a Christmas dinner with our church family on the 17th with over 40 attending. I gave a Christmas prayer challenge where we each put our name on a coffee mug and then did an exchange and made the commitment to faithfully pray this year for the person whose mug we received. We also had over 50 for our Christmas Eve service with many visitors there also.

Our plan for January was to spend our last 2 weeks in Aklavik before furlough transitioning the Seely family into filling in for us, but the Lord had additional things for us! Just before their arrival a young lady that had been attending called to meet with Pam. They met after church on a Thursday, where after a review of the scriptures she called on the Lord to save her. Her fiancé had been coming to church and men's Bible study on Saturdays. The next week he called me also. We met and he called on the Lord for salvation. The following Sunday, as they followed the Lord in obedience, I had the blessing to baptize them. They were planning to be married in March but wanted Pam and I to be a part of their wedding so with only 1 week before we began to travel, I was able to be a part of their wedding ceremony the following Saturday at our church. Please pray for this young couple as they desire to honour and obey the Lord!

The Seely family will be staying in our house and overseeing the ministry as Pam and I travel for the next 6 months. They have settled right in and the Lord has continued to bless as there have been visitors in all the services since we began our furlough, all invited by this young couple that just got saved. God is so GOOD!

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Furlough Update

On January 27 Pam and I flew to Edmonton and picked up our new truck to begin our furlough. I have already had the opportunity to preach and report on the ministry in Aklavik to 3 churches. It has been encouraging to fellowship with God's people and see a desire in their hearts to see the gospel preached in all the communities in the Arctic.

Our furlough schedule is almost full. Pam and I are looking forward to seeing many of you again and giving a report on the ministry in Aklavik and the Arctic. Along with these reports we also will have the opportunity to see all of our kids at different times, attend Andrena's college graduation in May, pick up needed supplies, and visit the eye doctor and dentist for some needed work.

Prayer Request

- Those who have heard the gospel and still need to accept Christ.
- Ministry in Aklavik
- Our family
- Furlough travel
- Health and strength for Pam and I
- Needed dental work
- Andrena's last year of college and student teaching