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Prayer Requests:

- Missionary Support
- Local Staff For YWAM
- Summer Missions

*But as for me, the nearness of God is my good; I have made the Lord GOD my refuge, That I may tell of all Your works. - Psalm 73:28*

Asaph, who wrote Psalm 73, is lamenting that the wicked seem to not suffer like the righteous, and that their life of pride and wickedness is so much easier than God’s chosen people. When he comes into the sanctuary of God’s presence, he realizes that a life of ease does not reveal your need for God. If everything is going alright, then you begin to believe that your ungodly ways are without consequence. But, there is a day of judgment for all mankind, and better to draw near to God as our refuge than put our trust in money and power.

The short summer season is when we do the most baptisms. We shared last newsletter about 14 baptisms, and we just had another service at the Chena river, where we baptized 12 more! We already have others asking, so we will schedule another one while it’s warm. Below,



Noah, one of the worship leaders at Golden Heart Church, prays with a young man who has just been baptized. Praise God for these new converts, and pray that God will

raise up more teachers to disciple these Native congregations. The harvest is ripe. We have to make the most of these opportunities. It is time to draw near to God like never before.



Above is a picture of the group called “Next Step,” that comes every year to help with maintenance and chores on the YWAM base. They focused on harvesting, splitting and stacking many cords of wood that the base will need for the winter. They are always such a blessing, as this is one of the most time intensive tasks we have. Our main facility (pictured below with Next Step group in front) is three stories tall and takes a lot of fuel to heat. Our long term goal is to replace the old windows with more efficient triple-pane ones that will reduce our heating. We have so many teams come stay at this facility, through the year, since it can sleep at least 20 people and has large meeting areas.



I wanted to let everyone know that I am doing much better after six weeks with an injury to my foot from falling down at a baptismal service. There is still a little pain in one spot, but the Lord is healing me! Thank you so much for your prayers and support.

*Co-laborers in Christ,  
Joyce Thurlby*