



Faith Christian Mission

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Prayer Requests:

- Missionary Support
- Local Staff For YWAM
- Future Schools

And He who sits on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." And He said, "Write, for these words are faithful and true." - Revelation 21:5

These words describe the new heaven and earth, and the new presence of God among His people — no more mourning or pain. All believers look forward to the fulfillment of this promise when everything will be made new. But, until that day, we must endure the trials and suffering and sinful spiritual atmosphere around us. That does not mean that God is not at work right now, because His Spirit is within us, to begin the process of making things new, by sharing the good news to those who are lost. That new life is already inside of you and when Jesus returns you will be like He is — that's exciting news, and our hope is anchored in His promises.

them through January 4th, when I flew back to Fairbanks. I was originally going to fly back on December 31st, but became ill with some type sickness (fever, chills, weakness). So, I had to change my flights and have time to recover. I was able to spend New Year's Eve and Day with my son's family. I had several problems with timing on my flights and had to change my tickets again on the return trip, but the Lord strengthened me and I made it back by midnight on January 4th to North Pole, Alaska — 21 hours of travel with the time changes and delays!



Above, is a picture of me and my seven grandkids. Top, left to right are: Korban, Alexia, Destiny and Xavier. Bottom, left to right are: Karis, Joyce, Connor and Colleen. Their ages range from 9 to 21. It was so good to be able to spend time with them. I flew down to Corpus Christi, Texas, on December 18th and spent those days with my daughter Shana and her kids through Christmas Day. On the 26th, we drove to Odessa and had Christmas with my son Derek's family. I ended up staying with



(Above, my kids and grandkids are opening gifts on December 27th, when we could be together.)

It is a new year for YWAM and FCM and we are really hoping to recruit more staff for the base in Fairbanks. Please pray for a couple with experience that could be directors for the base and be able to lead schools. We would like to have DTS schools again starting this year, instead of just hosting teams and having seminars. God is using this facility, but we are believing for renewal of the full capacity of the base. We always have teams that come in the summers for outreach, but would like to have winter schools as well.

We will continue our involvement with the local Native churches of Golden Heart and Mountain Movers. Most churches will be participating in a 21-day fast in January to seek God for guidance and wisdom. May your family be blessed this 2024 to know Him and make Him known.

Co-laborers in Christ,
Joyce Thurlby