



Tim and Missy Helton

reaching southeast alaska

Dear Pastor and Friends,

The time since we arrived in Alaska has gone so quickly! We had springtime show up quite late according to the locals. High temperatures this time of year average around 60 degrees but we have had a few days in July of near record setting highs—80! It has not gotten this warm here for about 15 years. This week has returned to normal in the high 50's.

Ladies' Spring Fellowship

In May, Missy hosted a fellowship night for the ladies. **She had several ladies in attendance including a young client from the pregnancy center.** This was very exciting—she heard the Truth from God's Word! She has since been attending some Wednesday night Bible studies as well as Mother's Day Sunday service and breakfast. Please pray for her very liberal heart and mind.

Fall 2018 Ministry Launches

Originally, we had hoped to begin a Student Ministry in June but felt it best to wait until fall. When the short season of summer hits here with long daylight hours, people hit the waters and fish every opportunity they can. When the new school year begins, we are launching an **after school Bible club for elementary students** as well as an **evening middle/high school ministry**. Missy is now teaching Kidz Church each Sunday and building relationships with some of the kids here. She plans to volunteer in the elementary school to also meet young families and teachers in the community. **Please pray for us as we reach out to the young people of our island. We want so much for the love of Christ to break the cycle of alcoholism, broken relationships, and sexual promiscuity that has existed in this culture for generations.**

Youth Camp, Summer 2019

We are beginning to plan to re-launch a summer teen camp next summer. The facilities are 10 miles away by boat. Kids of Tlingit and Haida Indian backgrounds attend this camp. This is quite a task to transport students, supplies, workers, etc. **If you would like to contribute financially to this ministry, mark the funds, as "Special Summer Camp 2019" and the mission office will place it in a designated fund for us.**

We have had several visitors at the church recently--this is encouraging. Southeast Alaska is very lost from generations of animism and the lack of Bible teaching. Thank you for your faithful prayers and financial support. **We pray for you** as you serve faithfully in your part of the world.

Partners for His Purpose,

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