

# the Severs family

Taking the Word of God to

*Alaska*  
THE LAST FRONTIER



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Dear Faithful Friends of our Family and Ministry,

Summer is departing in a hurry and the first snowflakes are beginning to fall in our area, but we are rejoicing because our wood shed is full and many of the preparatory tasks for winter are complete. We want to express a "Big Heartfelt Thank You" to our dear friends from Blacksburg, VA. They gave a week of their time and energy to serve OPBC and our family; working tirelessly painting at the church, staining our log house, and filling the wood shed. This team of 3 adults and 3 teenagers was so diligent and hard-working; they went above and beyond the planned projects. Our words are so inadequate in expressing our thanks for all that they accomplished for our church and family during their short visit. God never fails to supply the need, and He always sends the right resources for each task.



Our summer ministries all went extremely well. We started off with two exciting weeks of camp in Sterling, AK. The last of May we took 6 to Kid's Camp, and in June we had 3 attend Teen Camp. What a great time of preaching, fellowship, and fun each group enjoyed! During June, the float ministry trips began. Jonathan was recruited to row and help set up camp; what an encouragement an extra pair of hands were for the ministry crew! Over 70 waterproof NT were given out, and we enjoyed having a small part in sharing the Gospel with folks in God's wonderful outdoors. The next ministry opportunity took us to the Native Village of Mentasta, 80 miles on the Tok Road. Last year, Lighthouse Baptist Church, Daniels, WVA came and helped us conduct VBS in this village. This year our church family took the challenge along with Pastor Sawyer and a gentleman from his church in Tok; we were able to minister to between 12 and 25 children during this VBS. Please pray for this village and specifically two young men that God may continue to work in their lives and draw them to salvation. Also, thank you to our friends from Valley Baptist Tabernacle in Palmer, AK for lending us their bounce house so the children could enjoy some "bouncing" fun during this outreach. We are looking forward to returning next summer and are praying the Lord will allow us to conduct a basketball camp to reach the older youth with the Gospel. July started with the Independence Day parade in Glennallen, we enjoy giving out candy and flyers from our church float. This parade allows us the opportunity to invite the community to our upcoming VBS. What a blessed and busy time VBS is, always exciting! We appreciate everyone at OPBC who goes the extra mile this week. We had approximately 60 kids each night and were able to send over 300 dollars to another mission work through the offerings of the Penny Parade. Praise the Lord! Also, thank you to several churches who sent their extra VBS materials and decorations to us, this is so helpful and a substantial saving for OPBC.



We thank the Lord for all He enabled us to accomplish for the cause of Christ this summer. We count it a great privilege to serve the Lord in Alaska and appreciate each one who faithfully supports our family with prayers and finances. God bless you all!

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