



Covenant Youth of Alaska

We covenant to be a catalyst for the development of youth ministry in Alaska.

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The Gathering Fall 2007 - A college retreat for rural Alaskan students living on the road system.



Senior High Fall Blast '07 in the Norton Sound Region - This year's theme: The Condition of the Heart. Students learned about the hurting heart, the hard heart, the healthy heart and the helping heart.



Tom Mute was the speaker at Junior High Fall Blast this year, he is a young adult who has gone through the CYAK ministry and is working with young adults in Nome.

Thank you so much for investing into the lives of kids! You specifically allow us to share Christ with kids in this northern region of the world! We are having a great year and are seeing many young lives impacted. Although there are many challenges for the kids here in Alaska, hope through Christ brings life.

During our outreach retreats this year we focused on how Christ can bring healing to our hurting & hard hearts, and how Christ calls us to have a helping heart to bring hope to others.

The heart theme this year strikes at the core of our identity. Christ is pursuing all of us, but most people are too busy to find time to really reflect on the matters of the heart. If you are still reading this letter you are one of the exceptions in the world. You are taking time to reflect, consider, and be concerned about the hearts of others. You are taking time to consider the needs of young people who you may never meet in person. You are taking time to value what Christ valued. Christ challenged us to take the Gospel to the ends of the earth and you are doing that very directly by putting gas in the airplane and by supporting workers (who are few according to Luke 10:2).

The Great Commission happens when those who follow Jesus go to the ends of the earth, or help others go... somebody has to go if we are going to bring Jesus the way he wants us to... which is in person. You are making it happen here in Alaska. We will be faithful to reach the next generation and make disciples as you help us and the Lord directs our path.

We can't thank you enough for your commitment to Christ, but we will try. Quyanal!

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Mission team for Sr. High Fall Blast in Koyuk, Alaska



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Ministry Needs:

Leaders for Life: \$350
 This will provide funding for committed student leaders to attend the Leaders for Life training week at the end of each year. We hope to build up indigenous Alaska church leaders, which is the ultimate goal for CYAK.

Youth Worker Training: \$250
 This will scholarship one youth worker volunteer to attend the regional training event.

Ways To Give:

- Check by mail: Please make payable to: Covenant Youth of Alaska.
- Credit Card by phone: Just call 1-907-694-6378.
- Give online through paypal, go to www.cyak.org (paypal fee included).
- Give through electronic funds transfer: No more check-writing or credit-card paying! Contact your bank and set up a monthly withdraw or fill out and mail in ACH Debit Authorization Form, and we'll set it up for you. www.cyak.org

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