



Covenant Youth of Alaska

Transforming Lives, One Life at a Time.

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Upcoming Events...

Clear and cold is the theme of February in Alaska. While it is cold outside you are helping us bring the clear warmth of Christ into cold and dark places.

This month we are coordinating a young adult retreat. This retreat will be held in Big Lake and it will be a time for some young adults to hear about what it means to follow Christ for the first time. For others it will be a chance to go deeper in their journey of faith. Students who have moved onto the "road system" for school from various villages (which have no roads) will be there. We will have students from our campus ministries in Fairbanks, Anchorage, Palmer, and Soldotna in attendance.

When students ages (18-25) move into town from the villages it is a difficult transition. It is difficult to be away from family, it is difficult to be in the city, it is difficult to figure out how to get a drivers license, it is difficult to move from a village where everyone knows you well, to a town where no one knows you. This is why our road system ministries are really important. You are helping us to help students make the transition by providing an environment to grow deeper in Christ.

After talking to young adults they say that this retreat brings critical encouragement. It is encouraging for them to hear speakers, and testimonies from other students. It is also a time to break away from the city and be in a setting that is more like life in the village. Cooking moose, muskox, and salmon over the open fire will bring out great conversation regarding where students are in relationship to Christ. Pray that the Spirit of the Lord will speak loudly in their hearts. Pray that deep healing and spiritual challenge will cause these young adults to respond to the call of Christ.

I recently talked with a student who is currently dealing drugs, he is really looking forward to this retreat and he is hoping he will be able to break out of the life of using. He was asking for help with a scholarship since I don't want him to have to deal in order to come up with registration money. Thank you again for your prayer and generosity that help make this retreat even a possibility. Your sacrifice is very significant and very much appreciated.

In Christ,
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Faces and Places



MARC pilots with the Uttereyuk family in Scammon Bay



Pastors/Leaders Retreat in Nome

Ministry Needs:

Regional Youth Leader Training: \$5,500

This will provide funding for trainings to be put on in different regions for local people interested in being involved in youth ministry. The trainings would prepare them for the specific issues students in rural Alaska deal with so that they would be better able to relate and reach out to kids in their region.

Regional Youth Outreach Events: \$1,500

This would help cover the costs of putting on various youth events in the villages by both helping to supply scholarships for students who can't afford to come, as well as helping to supplement food and travel costs.

Ways To Give:

- Check by mail: Please make payable to: Covenant Youth of Alaska.
- Give online with paypal, www.cyak.org. NEW! NO FEE! FAST! EASY!

Yes, I want to help the CYAK Ministries Team reach Alaskan Teens with the Good News of Jesus Christ!

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Quyana - Thank You!