



Covenant Youth of Alaska

Transforming Lives, One Life at a Time.

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A Youth Worker in Unalakleet... Don Fancher

Waqaa (What's up) from Unalakleet!

I have been here doing youth ministry for almost five months now and it has been a blessing working with the kids in my home town. It has also been challenging, with many ups and downs. But God is good and there have been many blessings being here. Being from here has also been an advantage because I have family, relatives and friends for support, which has helped a lot. I have grown up in Western Alaska (Bethel, Quinnahawk, and Unalakleet) which has given me an advantage over other youth workers who come in from the Lower 48 because I know what it is like to live in the village, and being Alaska Native helps me relate to, and understand the kids better.

The kids have been keeping me busy with junior high and high school youth group, community service projects a couple times a month, and movie nights/game nights on the weekends for the kids who have not been traveling for athletics. For the community service projects we have shoveled snow for elders, provided wood for elders, baked bread for needy families, made snacks for a church program, and the biggest project is getting an aluminum can recycling project going. We have distributed aluminum can recycling bins at the school, school district office building, airport and old Covenant Church auditorium (where youth group and movie nights are held). What is encouraging is that the kids came up with the community service projects by themselves and put them into action. It is a very good example of them making a difference in the community NOW and learning the impact of serving those around you.

We would appreciate your support through prayers because we will be hosting Youth Rally (a weekend youth event) at the end of the month, and the kids and myself are raising support to attend CHIC (Covenant High in Christ) in Tennessee in July. There is an estimated 30 students from Unalakleet who will attend. Quyanana (Thank You) for your prayers!

In Christ,
Donald L. Fancher Jr.
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Unalakleet Youth Group



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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.
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Quyana - Thank You!