

Who is CYAK?

Covenant Youth of Alaska is the youth ministry department for the Evangelical Covenant Church. Developing ministry to the youth of Alaska has always been our mission. Since our beginning we have created an association among youth leaders enabling us to build a strong team for ministry to youth in Alaska.

CYAK brings hope to many of the youth through a relationship with Christ. Alaska's Native youth face some of the highest "at risk" statistics in all of the U.S. Suicide, teen pregnancy, drug and alcohol abuse are serious issues in villages of Western Alaska.



Want more information?

Interested in doing a short-term mission, or serving an internship with Covenant Youth of Alaska? Want more information on how you can volunteer or be a part of CYAK? Want some information on what the Native culture is like in rural, western Alaska?

E-mail, snail mail, or call us and we'll be glad to send you more information on how your call to youth ministry through short-term missions, internship, or volunteer work can take shape in Alaska.

Or, check out our website and look for our application packet online. You'll find more information on our ministry/volunteer needs, references to learn more about native culture, and even an application.

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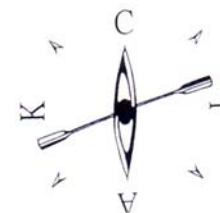
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Covenant Youth of Alaska



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



Continuum of Care

CYAK's Continuum of Care is a process, which provides spiritual growth opportunities for students from ages 12 to 25. This is achieved through regional and statewide youth events and programs, which keeps them connected with each other, to youth leaders, and growing in Christ.

This continuum of spiritual growth will help develop disciples and emerging leaders among the native youth so they can then lead the next generation of youth in rural western Alaska to Christ.



The Challenge ...

In recent history, the Eskimo people have been facing one of the toughest times in their history because of the rapid western acculturation. While the Inuit people are the toughest people on earth (their ancestors survived the harshest environment conditions in the world), their survival skills are being tested with a storm like they have never faced before.

Suicide, pregnancy, alcohol/ drug abuse, and physical/ sexual abuse rates are skyrocketing all due to this massive cultural change in a short amount of time.

The Need ...

As you can guess, the need for your help is great. With 13 of the 19 Covenant churches in Alaska being in villages and these villages not being able to afford youth pastors, the churches are seeking ways to connect with their youth and show them the light and hope of God.

Our greatest need is for short-term missionaries to spend 1 to 2 years in a village as a youth volunteer to share the love of Christ. If this is not for you however, there are many other ways you can serve and be effective for Christ.

How can I serve?

CYAK is a multifaceted program that has many directions you can take when choosing a short-term mission that is right for you and your gifts:

- **Youth Leader for a village**
- **Covenant Bible Camp** (June)
 - Counselor
 - Assistant cook
 - Nurse/ Doctor
 - "Handy- man/ woman"
- **Regional Program Director**
- **Marketing/ Public Relations**
- **Administrative help/ support**
- **College Ministry**
 - Amundsen Educational Center (vocational school)
 - Teacher position/ aid
 - Carpentry
 - Electrician
 - Plumbing
 - Business Consultant
 - Video Editing
 - Alaska Christian College
 - RA
 - Administrative help
 - Maintenance
- **Youth Group Mission Trips**

Looking to serve an **internship** for seminary/ youth ministry? CYAK is a wonderful opportunity for you and we will be able to work with and put to use your educational focuses and needs.