

# Covenant Youth of Alaska

*Impacting Lives, One Life at a Time*

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## *CYAK Alaska Interns*

Seeing kids grow up into strong followers of Christ and leaders in the church is a real joy.

Twenty years ago, CYAK workers met youth who have since grown to be leaders both in Alaska churches, as well as their communities. Many have continued to serve in various capacities within CYAK's ministry, including speaking at events, leading worship, and serving on the CYAK board. Ten years ago, CYAK workers met youth who have since gone on to college or trade school and are continuing to develop as leaders. As we continue to see more young people grow in Christ and get trained, we will see more local leaders emerge to serve Christ in Alaska and beyond.

Nikki Bruckner, Brenda Dock, Isaac Wood, Michelle Fancher, Tricia Ivanoff, and Katiya Erickson are some of those young adults who have recently, or are currently serving in our CYAK Alaska internship program. They are young adults who have a heart to serve Christ and reach out to their youth. The powerful thing about this is that they all lived life growing up in the village context so they all relate very closely with the youth we are currently working with.

While on earth Jesus showed both young men and women how to live and serve, and the world has never been the same. Our hope and prayer is that through your help, training of local workers in Alaska will continue to happen. It is making a difference. One life at a time.



## *Bible Camp is here!*

It's Bible Camp time once again, and we are excited for another great camping season in Unalakleet! Already this year, we have over 250 campers signed up from over 25 villages and cities across Alaska. These campers will travel to Unalakleet for a week of camp, where they will be shown the love and hope they have in Christ. Every year, we depend on local volunteers to make camp a success, and are thankful for the role that all of the volunteers, both from within Alaska and the lower 48, play in making camp a reality each summer.



In addition to our adult volunteer staff, we enjoy seeing older campers step into positions of leadership as junior counselors, kitchen staff, maintenance staff, and worship leaders, among other roles. Through these opportunities, students are given a chance to learn about and serve in ministry.

We are so thankful for the support we receive from our partners across the state, country, and world who are committed to making camp a success each year. Thank you!

*Please pray for campers, staff, and volunteers at Bible Camp this June!*

Leadership Camp: May 29 – June 4

Senior High Camp: June 4 – 11

Junior High Camp: June 12 – 28

Trailblazer Camp: June 19 – 25

Pathfinder Camp: June 25 – 30



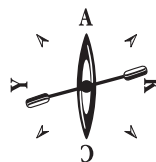
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## *Prayer Requests*

**Bible Camp:** Bible Camp is in full swing! Campers will be flying from over 25 villages across Alaska to spend a week at camp. Please pray for safety for campers, staff and volunteers both getting to camp, as well as at camp. Please pray also for a wonderful summer where campers are filled with the love of God.

**Shaktoolik:** Please pray for the village of Shaktoolik, as they lost a young man to suicide in early May. Pray for the family, friends, and community that they will find rest and peace in the Lord.



Would you like to receive monthly prayer updates via email? If so, either scan the code to the left on your smart phone, or email Lauren Ernst at: [lauren@cyak.org](mailto:lauren@cyak.org). We are thankful for your partnership with CYAK's ministry through prayer!



### MISSIONS AWARENESS TOUR!

The best way to learn about missions to youth in Alaska is to **visit!** From Aug. 31 to Sept. 6, 2012, CYAK will be hosting a Missions Awareness Trip. The group will travel in a 9 passenger plane to several Western Alaska villages where they will learn about CYAK's work with Alaskan youth, as well as experience the beauty of 'the last frontier' first hand.

Visit [www.cyak.org](http://www.cyak.org) for more information.

## *Connect with us online!*

**Like us on Facebook!** See what is going on in the daily life of CYAK - read devotionals, see pictures from events, and join the conversation!

**Visit our website:** Visit [www.cyak.org](http://www.cyak.org) to learn more about CYAK's ministry, see pictures, and better understand our work with youth across the state.



## *Current Ministry Needs*

- **Summer Intern Program:** Funding for CYAK interns' living expenses and travel to villages for discipleship-based basketball/volleyball camps.
- **Video Curriculum Resources:** Funding to support our new video curriculum project.

## *Ways to Give: Visit our new giving page!*

- **Online Giving:** Visit [www.cyak.org](http://www.cyak.org) to set up monthly, yearly, or one-time gifts using your **credit/debit card** or **checking account**.
- **Checks:** Made payable to: **Covenant Youth of Alaska**  
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**Questions? Please contact our Unalakleet office:**

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