



Romans 10:14 "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? How shall they hear without a preacher?"

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Dear pastors and churches,

2 Corinthians 4:8-10 "We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed; Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body."

I hope this letter finds you blessed and happy in the Lord. Daisy and I are thankful for all of you. We are blessed beyond measure to know the Lord's people are lifting us up in prayer (during this very difficult time in our lives.) I know I am long overdue in writing to you all, and as you all may know our family experienced a very traumatic event in March involving our daughter Lanae. This resulted in us relocating to Anchorage temporarily, although we did not know for how long. The decision to leave was a very difficult one, however I feel very strongly that my children are my priority. Lord willing, I will be taking trips to Bethel for a few days at a time each month to visit the people and take care of some of our mission work's business. We were blessed to be able to build relationships with people that will last a lifetime and Lord willing He will keep this door of ministry open. My hope is to go to Bethel monthly. We still have many friends, relatives and contacts in Bethel and the surrounding villages. We remain committed to ministering to the native people in southwest Alaska.

This transition has been difficult in many ways from the undertaking of it all, to the settling in and feeling like your life is on hold to every nuance in between. However, it is just like the Lord to bring comfort and blessings in times of trial and He truly has done this. Lanae is doing better. She will continue to receive the support she needs and is starting her senior year of high school with plans to join the army after graduation. We thank God that she is alive and with us to celebrate her 17th birthday this month. As a family we have been able to draw closer together and to our Lord, although not under ideal circumstances. We are closer none the less and for this I am thankful.

We have sought the Lord's will for our ministry during this time as it is our desire to remain busy about God's work. We have spoken with Brother Gary Hampton and the mission work in Fairbanks and we will go and work with him in the mission work there. I look forward to getting in the trenches along side him once more. September will be our last month in Anchorage and we are trusting God to provide a place for us to move into between now and then.

Please continue to pray for us. We are grateful for your continued support! Thank you for the phone calls and cards of encouragement. We are ever grateful for each one of you and pray for you all regularly.

Serving Him in Alaska,

Brian Hughes and family