Dear Friends,

When we returned home on the last winter trip, there were a few items on three snowmachines that needed to be repaired before putting them away for the season. After receiving special order parts and with Hannah's help, John was able to get everything repaired.

During breakup, between the last winter trip and the ice going out of the rivers, John was able to join some of our children on a church sponsored ATV ride to the Matanuska Glacier. He flew a paramotor and was able to meet them there. Along the way he airdropped John & Romans to other people out exploring along the river. Each one was picked up and people waved back. It was a "hit"! We also made a trip to Kodiak during this time, and John got to preach at Lighthouse Baptist Church. While there, John, Caleb, and Pam, along with the grandchildren, were able to go to the south side of the island and put a John & Romans on every door in Pasagshak.

Once we returned home, we de-winterized the boat and prepared for the first summer trip of the season. Jeremiah Herschberger, one of his sons, and their friend joined us, and we all went to the Yukon River Bridge. The river was the highest we'd ever seen and was littered with tons of logs and debris. We attempted the 55 miles to Rampart but had to clear the jet 4 times in just 3 miles. It was doubtful we would make it back upriver from the village, so we returned to the bridge. The rest of the day, John was able to get some paramotor flights in, and we handed out a lot of John & Romans to tourists while John airdropped them to people in outlying areas in the vicinity. On Sunday, we made it to Stevens Village and had 11 in service. That was the best attendance in many years! Brother Hershberger led the singing and witnessed to a few of the men while John dealt with a man for 40 minutes about being baptized.

Once we returned to the bridge, we had a service inside the RIG for one Yukon River Camp employee. She was so excited to have someone preach to her and have fellowship with other ladies. John has been trying for years to provide a service at the camp, but no one has been interested until now. Anastasia was very thankful and is looking forward to the next service.

On our trip back to Palmer, we had a few problems with the RIG. Flashing on both sides underneath had come loose and was rubbing on the tires. John had to remove a tire to cut it loose so we could continue home. Later that day we heard a strange noise from under the RIG. After stopping to check, John figured out something inside the power converter inside the forward differential is going out. Currently the RIG is in Anchorage at a truck service center to have it rebuilt.

Please also pray for John's mom's health. Hannah is headed to North Carolina to help take care of her for the foreseeable future. Mom has become forgetful and very weak over the last few months. We all believe that this is the best way to keep her from having to move to nursing home care.

Joshua recently got engaged to Kyla McDonald, and they are planning for a wedding in August. They have been faithfully serving the Lord together for many years and even recently joined us when John filled in for a local pastor. We are excited to see how the Lord will use them in the future. Please pray for them and continue praying for laborers in Alaska.

The Pinnix Family Matthew 9:35-38



