

Kim & Yvonne Heinbaugh Alaska

With the warmer temperatures and longer days, outdoor activities increase too! Along with our ministry here we are also privileged to live close to our kids and grandkids. All but one of our six grandkids lives within a stone's throw of our house.

Recently a few folk back east have inquired about our children and grandchildren so I thought I'd fill you all in! This year marks our 28th year of ministry in Alaska and our 26th year here in the Copper River Valley! Seems impossible that that many years could have ticked by!

In February Joshua, our oldest son, entered his fourteenth year as an Alaska State Trooper. Many of you have told us you have seen him on the Alaska State Troopers TV program! His wife Amber is a locally born and raised Alaskan and together they have given us five fun loving grandkids: Keegen (14), Wieland (8), Naomi (7), Dollie (5), and Ehren (3).

Jesse, who actually celebrated his sixth birthday in a converted school bus during our long drive north back in 1989 when we first moved here, works for the National Park Service and currently oversees all trail building and trail maintenance in the 13.2 million acres Wrangell St. Elias National Park (WMST). As Alaska is big, so are our National Parks. Yellowstone Nat. Park, Yosemite Nat. Park, and the country of Switzerland combined would fit within the boundaries of WMST National Park!

Hannah, our youngest is married and living in the Richmond, Virginia area. She and her husband Caleb have blessed us with grandchild # 6 Joshua (1)! We are so thankful for current technology that allows for instant sharing of pictures and videos over great distances! As "old dogs", we have gladly learned this new trick and use it often.

One unpleasant update to share with you is about our Dollie girl. Recently after an emergency situation for her, she was diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes. What a shock and adjustment it has been! It involved an emergency trip into Anchorage 200 miles away and lots of training and changes for all of us. It has been a challenging month to be sure, but as has been the case all these years, we find God right there comforting and reassuring us; helping us shoulder the grief, sorrow, and questions that arise. We thank you for the constant prayers and support that you send our way and covet that they would continue as together we move forward in these new challenges.

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We would like to offer our sympathy to Charles Kelley and his family. Charles' wife, Ruth Kelley, went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, April 20th.

May God comfort you and bless you with His peace.

Congratulations to Kyle & Amanda Ohlrich! Kyle and Amanda welcomed Christian Lee into their family on Saturday, April 22nd. He weighed 8 lbs. 4 oz. and was 20" long. Christian joins Jonah and Violet at home.



<u>Care Net "Walk for Life" Fundraiser</u> – If you would like to participate in the "Walk for Life" fundraiser to be held Saturday, May 13th, please stop by the Welcome Center to pick up a pledge form. The Walk starting time will be 9 am at both Hope Community Center (2902 13th St., Monroe) and Living Word Church (3825 Cnty Hwy. T, Brodhead).

<u>Play Ball!</u> Sign-up for <u>2017 church league softball</u> at the Welcome Center today!

Mission: Monroe ~ MACC, Monroe Area Community Closet is ready for our help. Please contact Carol Larson ASAP at 558-1475 to volunteer for a shift on Mondays 3-7 pm. If you are interested in volunteering at the MACC, Orientation Night is May 8th, 5-7 pm.

<u>Mission: Monroe</u> is inviting everyone to the Monroe Area Community Closet (MACC) <u>Grand Opening Open House</u> Monday, May 1 from 5~7 located at the Church of the Nazarene.

Milwaukee Brewers game Monday July 3rd. Game is at 1 pm, we will be leaving at 9 am and will tailgate before the game. Tickets are \$10. Everyone is invited: men, women, children. Limit of 40 tickets. Please sign up at the welcome center. Any questions contact Bernie Roidt 325-2199.

NEXT STEPS

<u>Step 1</u> – (1 s.) will be offered May 7th at noon in the Nehemiah Center. Lunch will be provided. Sign up at the Welcome Center.

Step 3 – (1 s.) will be on May 7th at 6:30 pm in the Nehemiah Center. You will need to have attended Step 2 "Our Core Beliefs" prior to this class. Sign up today!



Sunday, May 7

Café Service ~ 10:30 am, NC Sunday School & ABF ~ 9 am Kids Choir ~ 11:45 pm, LL #106 Next Steps – Step 1 (1 s) noon lunch, NC Ignite (Middle School) ~ 4 pm, LL #106 Next Steps – Step 3 (1 s) 6:30 pm, NC

Worship Services ~ 9 & 10:30 am, S

Fusion (High School) ~ 7 pm, LL #106 Monday, May 8

Elder Board Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #106

Wednesday, May 10

Men's Bible Study ~ Noon, LL #102 Café Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, NC

Thursday, May 11

Choir ~ 6:30 pm, S Narcotics Anonymous ~ 7 pm, LL #102 Worship Team ~ 7:45 pm, S

Saturday, May 13

Care Net Pregnancy Center "Walk for Life" Nehemiah Center/Kitchen/Sanctuary in use 10 am – Noon

Sunday, May 14

Worship Services ~ 9 & 10:30 am, S Café Service ~ 10:30 am, NC Sunday School & ABF ~ 9 am Nehemiah Center/Kitchen/Sanctuary in use 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm Ignite (Middle School) ~ 4 pm, LL #106 Fusion (High School) ~ 7 pm, LL #106

Friday, May 19

Primetimers Lunch ~ 11:15 am, Pizza Hut

Sunday, May 21

The Lord's Table
Fusion Finale ~ 3-10 pm, Sky Zone &
HuHot Grill

Week of April 30 - May 6

Today, Sunday, April 30

Worship Services ~ 9 & 10:30 am, S Café Service ~ 10:30 am, NC Sunday School & ABF ~ 9 am Kids Choir ~ 11:45 am, LL #106 Ignite ~ 4 pm, LL #106 Fusion ~ *6 pm, LL #106 Mattress Race!

Monday, May 1

Missions Mtg. \sim 6 pm, LL #106 Prayer Mtg. \sim 6:30 pm, LL #102

Tuesday, May 2

Primetimers Games & Lunch ~ 10 am, NC/K

Wednesday, May 3

Men's Bible Study ~ Noon, LL #102

Thursday, May 4

National Day of Prayer ~ 6:30 am, Ludlow Mansion VBS Mtg. ~ 6 pm, LL #106 Choir ~ 6:30 pm, S Narcotics Anonymous ~ 7 pm, LL #102 Worship Team ~ 7:45 pm, S

Saturday, May 6

Men's Breakfast ~ 8 am, NC/K Nehemiah Center in use noon-3 pm

Prayer Topic
National Day of Prayer Breakfast:
Green County community would
be reached for Christ.

Prayer Focus – Awana Ministry Ministry Leader – Kim Markham Please Pray:

- The Clubbers would stay focused on spiritual things during the summer.
- † The Leaders would have effective planning for next year.
- We would be able to adjust to changes in curriculum



PLEASE PRAY for the National Day of Prayer Breakfast Thursday, May 4th:

- 1. All of the guests and youth prayers would make it to the breakfast--no illness or last minute problems to keep them away
- 2. Volunteers would do everything unto the Lord--the diversity and unity of the body of Christ would be evident to all (12 churches are represented)
- 3. Community leaders would be impacted for Christ--believers encouraged, non-believers saved
- 4. God would be glorified

