

KICY Call Letter

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Manager's Mic

We have said our goodbyes to Luda after 8 years of service. But wait, don't we still hear her on the radio? That's right! That's Luda!

Even though she struggles with extremely slow dial-up internet in Provideniya, she has been recording



Dennis Weidler

daily updates, including Chukotka weather and a daily devotional and sending them to us as e-mail attach-

ments. You would hardly know she left! You have to love God's gift of technology. Of all the bad things we hear about on the internet, in the right hands it is a major blessing.

We have also agreed to offset some of Luda's internet costs. Yes, it is very slow and expensive, too. On the plus side, she has left her checking account open in Nome and she can use her debit card in Provideniya.

October is a big month for us in fundraising efforts. We kick off the last quarter of 2012 with our 13th annual 100% Sunday. Please pray for even greater participation by all churches in the U.S. and Canada. We have also converted our PowerPoint presentation (only 2:22 in length) to a video and it is available as a YouTube download. Have fun with it! 



The new, narrated PowerPoint presentation is ready to ship.

100% Sunday is October 28th.

Ready. Set. Participate! Make sure your church is ready to go for 100% Sunday...always the 4th Sunday in October.

Our request is simple, yet it could determine KICY's future. During this annual fundraising event, we ask for each Covenant Church to encourage taking an offering of just \$1.00 for each person attending on that October morning.

We'll be sending out reminder letters, e-mails and, if you can use it, a narrated PowerPoint presentation is available. Don't worry. It's only about 2 minutes long.

As you can see from the e-mail we received on the right, our friends in Canada have fun with their 100% Sunday. What can you do to make this event fun, exciting and engaging for everyone.

Thanks in advance for your 100% participation. 

Hi friends, We at the Nelson Covenant Church in Nelson, British Columbia, Canada plan to participate in 100 % Sunday. Here in Canada we have a one dollar and a two dollar coin. If you aren't familiar with Canadian coins you might find it interesting that our one dollar coin has a picture of a loon on it, thus it is commonly called a loonie and our two dollar coin is called a toonie. So as we participate in the 100 % Sunday for KICY we often call it our "loonie - toonie" Sunday. We as a missions committee are asking for you to send us the power point presentation.

Thanks so much.

Ed De Vries
Missions Committee
Chairman

Rediscover KICY Radio.

According to some, it was a dejected miner who discovered gold on the beach in Nome, Alaska. He had arrived too late to stake a claim near the gold strikes on the inland creeks. Now broke, he had to camp on the beach, where he discovered that the treasure he was looking for was right there on the ground in front of him.

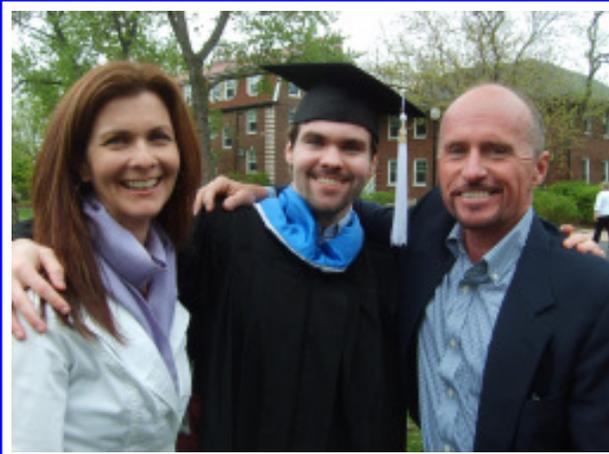
I discovered a treasure myself in Nome this summer. It's been there for many years but somehow it escaped my attention. KICY Radio is one of the riches of the Evangelical Covenant Church, and a ministry to western Alaska and the Russian Far East that is pure gold.

I'm positively embarrassed at my ignorance. I've known for decades that there is a radio station called KICY in remote Alaska. But KICY was lost among the many voices calling out for attention and resources.

The ministry of KICY caught my attention when my son Ian looked into serving there as a missionary intern upon graduation from North Park University. Once he talked to station manager Dennis Weidler about it, he never looked back. I was surprised at how quickly Ian was set on going to wild Alaska. Then I was even more surprised by how quickly God confirmed Ian's decision. After a presentation at our church services, pledges for a year's worth of support came in just days. Ian's excitement for ministry in western Alaska spilled into excitement throughout our congregation.

As I learned the history and scope of KICY, I've become captivated

along with the rest of our church. It's a gripping story; over fifty years of ministry in outrageous conditions on the edge of civilization. The



Laura, Ian and Michael Coglan at graduation.

station sends God's word to a diverse field on two different continents and in two different languages. The distinctiveness of the approach to evangelism and discipleship is inspiring. I keep asking, "How did I not know about this?"

In August my wife Laura and I were able to see firsthand the mission field, the complex equipment, and the excellent team. When we landed at the Nome airport, I felt like I had stepped into a black-and-white movie. Everything was grey; the sky and ground and sea. It was raining, cold and windy. Dennis gave us a tour of the town and it didn't feel like the USA. In fact, much of Nome feels like the third world. It was quickly clear that life is hard in Nome, and must only become harder on the further extremes of the region.

The contrast between the Nome landscape and the interior of KICY studios is startling. I was surprised at the bright and professional atmosphere. I was impressed with the upbeat leadership Dennis gives to his

team. I was touched by the prayer requests read on the air and prayed over.

Laura and I volunteered for some projects and repairs around the studio building. Dennis gave us a tour of the transmitter site and let me help make some minor repairs. We also had the privilege to worship at the Nome Covenant Church, which is a vitalized ministry with engaged members.

Station announcer Lon Swanson invited me to host the morning CareForce program with a devotional and prayer requests from villages in western Alaska. Our short stay was

quite an emersion into station life.

The thing that had the most impact on me was the joyful service of Dennis and Candace Weidler. Dennis and Candace shared their story as they've done countless times before. But I felt the same freshness and enthusiasm in their voices as I'm sure they've had since the first time they shared. Nothing inspires me more than hearing about the sacrifices of people who are joyfully serving God. These are people who radiate God's joy to people who need it more than most.

When gold was discovered in Nome a century ago, people were reckless to be a part of the action. Today western Alaska remains a goldmine of opportunity to share the love of God. It's a mystery to me why I missed the opportunity for so long, but now I've got the fever. It falls to us stakeholders, new and old, to keep their supply chain moving with prayer, financial support and publicity.

-Mike Coglan, Pastor

Community Covenant, Kearny, MO

Listener Mail from Moscow.



Sergey and his radio.

Please be kind and generous to send me out your station paper pennant, badge, lapel pins, bumper stickers, other stickers, calendar, souvenir pen, other items! Thanks a million in advance!! I am an enthusiastic shortwave DX-listener from Moscow. With Love to all of staff!!

Kind regards, So long! May God Bless and prosper all of you!! My SWL callsign:UA-1038/RB. A hug and best wishes!!

Mr. Sergey M. Izyumov
RU-117208 MOSCOW M-208

Memorials

In August & September, we received memorials in the name of:

Tom & Annie Dotomain
Edward Lattimore, Jr.
Robert Corrigan
Snowball Miller
Merlin Oyoumick
Don Yorkston
Sigurd & Ruth Westberg
M. Elenor Westberg Peterson
W. Wikman
Hannah Miller

Thank you for remembering a loved one with your gift.

A Prayer Request. For each of our staff members.

George Bard

Ian Coglan

Stephen Palmatier

Lon Swanson

Rolland Trowbridge

Candace Weidler

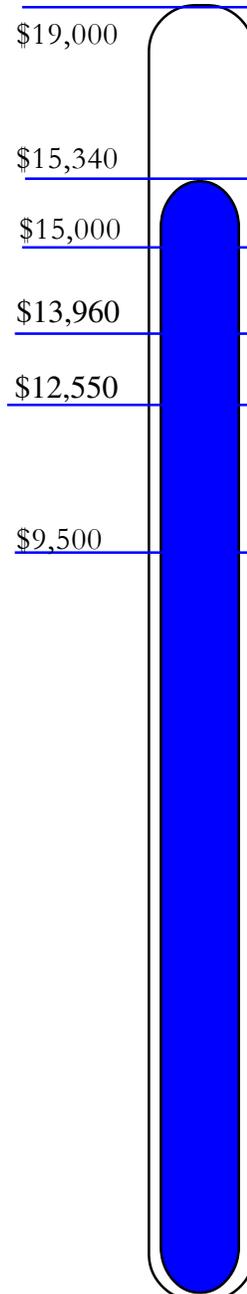
Dennis Weidler

Frances Whitmore

Can You Help?

We are all snuggled-down for the winter, thanks to the summer work teams who made KICY a priority. But we are still a little short in paying for the improvements.

If you are able to assist financially, mark Capital Campaign on your check. And God bless you for keeping KICY's needs in your prayers.



PLEASE NOTE!

-September Income-

\$33,928.31

-September Budget-

\$29,610.00

-September Expenses-

\$33,804.01

Includes Sales & Programs but not designated funds.



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Team KICY Places 2nd in The Great Bathtub Race.

You've got to love a town that turns out in the pouring rain at high noon on Labor Day to watch three teams push bathtubs down the main street. That pretty much defines The Great Bathtub Race, a long-standing tradition in the community of Nome.

By 11 am, we weren't even sure we had a team, but through the efforts of Ian Coglán (a die-hard bathtubber) we had a team of five assembled within the hour. We were short a vehicle to get the tub to the starting line so, undaunted, they pushed it across town to Front Street, in front of the Visitor's Center.

Only three teams competed this year. It just may have been the cold, driving rain that dampened the spirits of others...but not

Team KICY. Joining in the fray were Crowley Fuel and Leo Rasmussen's Red Bare'ns.

The siren sounded at noon, water balloons were tossed at onlookers and the race was off!

A few short, and very wet moments later, the perennial favorite Crowley Team crossed the finish line in front of the Post Office, followed by Team KICY and, in last place, Leo Rasmussen's team.

Photos were taken. Awards were presented. Everybody went back home to dry off. Yes, this held the record as the wettest Great Bathtub Race ever. ■



Team KICY at the starting line.