

KICY Call Letter

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Manager's Mic



“Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen.”

Ephesians 3:20-21 (NIV)



Patty Burchell

This was the theme passage for the Covenant Midwinter Conference held in Chicago at the end of January.

The words are a reminder to us that our God is able to do so much more than we can imagine even when we don't understand, when we question what God is doing, when we have doubts, when circumstances seem impossible, when anxiety strikes, when ____ you fill in the blank.

Our God is able to work all things together for good. Our God is able to change circumstances, or change us in the midst of those circumstances. We look forward with anticipation to the immeasurably more God will do for and with KICY in 2024.

Hoop Time!



Jessica Ivanoff calls the plays at the Rumble at the Rec

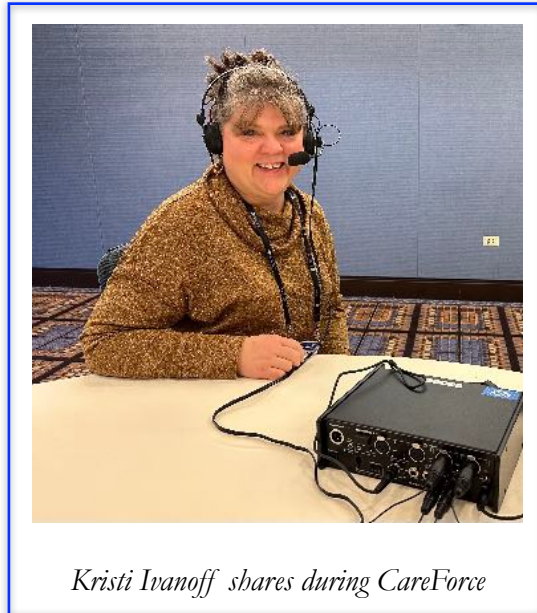
Basketball season is in full swing and Jessica Ivanoff is once again providing the play-by-play announcing for the Nome-Beltz home games. While the games are usually in the gym at the high school, recently the teams hosted Seward at the Nome Recreation Center. The bleachers were full and the atmosphere electric. Jessica is a ball player herself and injects infectious excitement to every game.

Growing up in Unalakleet, Jessica's high school basketball coach was none other than Alaska Conference Superintendent Curtis Ivanoff. He and pastor TJ Smith called a few Nome games from a tournament in Wasilla in December. It was the kickoff to the season and as Curtis prepared to call the first game he remembered that the last time he called the first game of the year for the Nanooks they won the state championship. We are hoping for a repeat!

Midwinter Conference

Every January pastors and leaders from around the globe gather for the Covenant Midwinter Conference. KICY hosts a booth in the exhibit hall, broadcasts the evening services, and airs CareForce live from the venue.

Often our regular CareForce hosts are not available during conference week and so others associated with our ministry are given the opportunity to lead. This year we welcomed Kristi Ivanoff, associate pastor at First Covenant Church in Anchorage, and past Arctic Broadcasting Association board members Rob Hall and Fredrik Wall to the mic. Each of these people has a heart for the people of Western Alaska and the ministry of KICY. Guest hosting allows them to connect with the ministry in a direct way.



Kristi Ivanoff shares during CareForce



Lon Swanson helps out at the KICY table

plugging the need for long term volunteers are planted at the KICY table. It is always a joy to reconnect with people who have partnered with KICY in the past and meet new friends who we hope one day to see in Nome.

Midwinter also provides the opportunity for good conversations with pastors from around the country. Often the seeds for hosting a Salmon Dinner, sending a summer work team, or

A Prayer Request

For each of our staff members

George Bard

Patty Burchell

Cody & Joy Foret

Mary Hesse

Nate & Carlee Hobbs

Jessica Ivanoff

Stuart Joseph

Bertha Koweluk

Luda Kinok

Lena Mathlaw

Tamara Van Diest

Praise God...

...for a wonderful start to 2024 with a dedicated staff and equipment that works as it should.

Pray...

...for health and stamina for our staff as we continue weekly broadcasts of High School basketball culminating in two weeks of "March Madness" when our coverage of regional tournaments overlaps with our coverage of the Iditarod.

Have Salmon, Will Travel

We have begun scheduling these fun, entertaining, delicious evenings for the coming fall. Hosting a dinner is easy, and a lot of fun. We provide the wild caught Alaskan salmon and an up-to-date presentation on what God is doing at KICY. You provide the venue and side dishes. It is as simple as that. More information can be found on our website, kicy.org.



It's not too soon to begin planning for a wonderful evening of fellowship, fun, and of course, fish. Keep an eye on our website to see dates that are already booked. There may be one near you. If your church would like to host a Salmon Dinner in early October, 2024, please contact Patty Burchell at

generalmanager@kicy.org.

A Giving Opportunity

If you are subject to a Required Minimum Distribution from an IRA you have the option to distribute those funds directly to one or more charities as a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). These distributions come directly from your financial institution and the QCD is not counted as income. Choosing a non-profit organization as the recipient also means the funds are not taxed. It is a win-win for both the IRA account owner and charitable organizations.

Arrangements can be made through your financial institution to send all or part of that distribution directly to KICY.

Thank you for considering KICY as a Qualified Charitable Distribution recipient.

Memorials

In December and January, we received memorials in the name of:

Edward Lattimore, Jr.
Mary A. Miller
Rodger Nelson
JoAnne Smit
Eldon Anderson
Dave De Vries

Thank you for remembering a loved one with your gift.

PLEASE NOTE!

-December Income-

\$44,209.87

-December Budget-

\$39,161.97

-December Expenses-

\$34,259.95

Includes Sales & Programs but not designated funds



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A KICY Tradition

Christmas Eve is one of my favorite times at KICY. For a couple hours that afternoon KICY opens the phone lines for The Talking Christmas Card. People call in from all over Alaska and the Lower 48 to send Christmas greetings to family and friends in Western Alaska. Our staff mans the phones and at times all lines are lit with people waiting to send their greetings.



The Talking Christmas Card



This year the phone lines were rarely silent as calls from 13 different villages in our listening area, several cities on Alaska's Road System, and 8 states in the

Lower 48 came in one right after another. Often hearing someone sending greetings prompts others in that same family to call in. We had calls from people young and old alike. Listeners throughout the region tune in and listen closely during the broadcast for the voices of their friends and family.

The Talking Christmas Card is one more way KICY provides connections and encouragement between the villages in Western Alaska.