

KICY Call Letter

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Manager's Mic



How quickly we here in Nome have become accustomed to fast internet service. Just a few short years ago all data was capped, very expensive, and slow. About five years ago Quintillion installed an



Patty Burchell

undersea fiber line and soon after high speed internet came to Nome. About the same time the satellite over which we got much of our programming was decommissioned. All of our nationally produced programming is now downloaded through the internet. In early June that undersea fiber line was cut near Barrow by ice shearing. We are back to internet speeds even less than pre-fiber as the providers in Nome seek a workaround while the repair crews wait for the ice to recede enough to allow for a repair. It has been a stark reminder as to just how dependent we are on the internet. And streaming our signal? Just about impossible. They are predicting the cable will be repaired by mid-August. We pray that it is.

Work Teams Descend



Faith Covenant Church, St. Petersburg, Florida

Summer in Nome means work teams and this summer has been no exception. Scott and Cathy Christensen came in early June and spent their days cleaning out the attic and readying buildings for paint. Unfortunately, while they had more days of sunshine than other teams that would come later, the temperatures did not allow painting. Scott was pastor of Nome Covenant Church in the '80s and Cathy grew up in Nome and was a KICY volunteer while in college. In addition to helping out at the station they were able to reconnect with people and places of significance to them.

In mid-June a team arrived from Faith Covenant Church in St. Petersburg, Florida, making perhaps the longest trip of any team this year. The men fixed a plumbing drainage issue at the Yellow House and began the repairs to the bathroom that were finished by the team from Eagle River that came in July. The crew from Florida also helped with some electrical needs.

In early July a team of nine arrived from Community Covenant Church in Eagle River, Alaska. They worked hard and accomplished much in spite of the drippy, rainy weather.

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Summer Work Teams, cont.



The Brown House got a coat of paint, the Yellow House got a new shower and bathroom flooring, and the transmitter got its annual maintenance check.

Groups work hard but also play hard and enjoy excursions in and out of town exploring the beauty and quirkiness of the area.

We look forward to two more teams in August to hopefully complete the painting and the few other projects on the summer list.

It is indeed a blessing so many people from so many places choose to spend a portion of their summer in Nome.



Above: The team from Faith Covenant Church, FL.

Left: The team from Community Covenant Church, Eagle River, AK.

A Prayer Request

For each of our staff members

George Bard

Patty Burchell

Cody & Joy Foret

Brenda Hagen

Mary Hesse

Nate & Carlee Hobbs

Stuart Joseph

Bertha Koweluk

Luda Kinok

Lena Mathlaw

Tamara Van Diest

Praise God...

...for work teams willing to make the trek to Nome to do whatever needs to be done.

Pray...

...that the internet connection along the West coast of Alaska would be restored allowing our programming to be downloaded and aired as scheduled and the Elim Translator able to broadcast.

Dave DeVries

July 3, 1941-July 5, 2023



Long-time KICY staff member Dave DeVries ran into the arms of Jesus two days following his 82nd birthday.

Dave and Kathy served the summers of 1965 & '66 at KICY before being commissioned as Covenant Missionaries in 1967. They raised their family in Nome, serving until 1982. During his 17 years with KICY Dave filled a number of roles. Not only was he in charge of sales and other business aspects at the station, but also covered news and sports,

managed the Eskimo and Russian language broadcasting, and even handled mission buildings and grounds. Dave willingly did whatever needed to be done.

After leaving Nome, Dave and Kathy continued serving the greater Covenant Church at Christian camps in Iowa and California before serving many years in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. Dave was a founding member of Anchor Covenant church in Lake Geneva, which also became their home in retirement.

Friends and family remember Dave as loving, kind, hard-working, full of integrity, and a prayer warrior, among other Christ-like traits. Dave lived life to its fullest and chose joy even when things were hard, especially as his battle with cancer intensified. He delighted in spending time with family and friends and the legacy Dave leaves behind will continue to impact many.

Memorials

In June & July, we received memorials in the name of:

Eleanor Anderson
Dave DeVries
Tom & Annie Dotomain
Patricia Eklund
Edward Lattimore, Jr.
JoAnne Smit
Art & Carol Stromberg

Thank you for remembering a loved one with your gift.

PLEASE NOTE!

-July Income-

\$36,159.58

-July Budget-

\$35,578.15

-July Expenses-

\$34,797.65

Includes Sales & Programs but not designated funds



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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.

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You!*



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Please tell the staff at KICY "THANK YOU" for all the gospel music and spreading the Gospel throughout Western Alaska. I deeply appreciate your ministry. ~Online listener in Sitka, AK



I've been listening to KICY since the 1960s. Thank you for the music and messages and for CareForce. It really helps me! Living for Jesus in the village is real difficult and KICY helps encourage me a lot. ~Listener in the Kuskokwim Delta region

Thank you so much for publishing Luda's story. I, and I'm sure many others, have a new appreciation for the freedoms that we enjoy, the first of which is the freedom to worship our God and Savior. Please extend my thanks to Luda for her brave sharing of her journey. May God continue to bless her with healing and peace. ~Supporter in California