

"Northwestern Ontario News"

Update and Prayer Letter from the Rasmussens, your missionaries to NW Ontario

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, Which is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11

We have been blessed:

1. Ministry opportunities in December
2. Having the family together over Christmas.
3. God's protection in our travels.
4. God provision and answers to pray.
5. God working in the hearts up north.

We ask prayer for:

1. families who have lost loved ones.
2. Evangelistic outreach Feb. 14-16
3. Van for ministry purposes.
4. God direction in our adult children's lives. "F

Happy New Year to one and all! With an incredibly busy December, we were looking forward to a little reprieve. Our family had Christmas in Florida this year with Bob's family. The two of us were able to purchase tickets for under \$70 with our credit card points!! What a great blessing! Florida remind us a little of Suriname without the high humidity. It was a wonderful visit with family!



It was great to be involved in all the outreach opportunities in town. It started with a cookie exchange on the 6th. Twenty ladies gathered at the Moore's home. It was a great opportunity to get to know ladies in town. Our next big event was the Christmas parade on the 14th. After the parade, the church hosted a carol sing at the community hall. It was a great time sharing the Christmas story and eating lots of cookies with about 50 people. It was fun seeing the adults working the nativity crossword puzzle and even coloring the nativity scenes on the tables. The very next day, there was a Christmas Banquet at the church. We had 75 people come with close to 50 visitors. That's almost 25% of the town.



Bob was given the opportunity to speak on the true meaning

behind "peace on earth". It was a great evening! The very next day we had a turkey dinner for the mission. There are not as many of the regulars around town now. Many are staying inside somewhere for the winter. We did feed 8 people.

The very next day, we had another funeral to attend. It does




become wearisome to be surrounded by death at times. But we have a message of hope that we can bring at those times. Then on Thursday, Dec 19th, we had a pizza party with eight of our safe zone kids. We played games, watched a movie and read the Christmas story together. I don't think any of these kids do this. We left for the states the next morning.



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FAMILY UPDATE: Our health has been well this year. Bob has received good reports from the cardiologist. He turns 62 this month. I've managed to survive 2019 without breaking a bone 😊 We did get our Canadian citizenship this year, which was a big answer to prayer. Our oldest, Rachelle, is living in Anoka, MN. She works at a daycare with babies and loves her job. She also attends Woodcrest Baptist Church in Fridley, MN. Our son, Robert, is still in Pensacola, FL. He is on staff at the college, waiting on the Lord for the next step. Our youngest, Deborah, is still with us in Pickle and this year became the Administrative Assistant of the town office. She still has a little bit of on-line classes to finish up her degree. Thank you for praying for us.

MINISTRY UPDATE: The Clarence Moore family arrived the end of May to become the pastor of the Baptist Church. It is a tremendous blessing to work along side them. This also enables us to ministry up north more. We spent 3 weeks in Weagamow Lake ministering to people. We still continue to minister to the street people, have afterschool kids in our home and help out with Bible Club. Bob is still available to fill in the pulpit when needed.

We anticipate spending one week a month up north during the spring and then, be available for counseling camps in the summer. We are holding an evangelistic outreach February 14-16 with the Fraser family and Evangelist Gary Quequish.

Thank you so much for praying for us.