

AKSOM (Alaska School of Ministry) UPDATE –

When AKSOM was first envisioned, it was believed that God could enable the ministry to reach, teach, and empower men and women across the vast State of Alaska, what no one dreamed, was the speed at which God would move. What was originally thought of as a good five to ten year plan would be for AKSOM teaching venues to eventually be established in the major transportation hubs of Alaska. However with God's help, in less than two years, only two major hubs remain. It is conceivable that before the end of this year, AKSOM teaching venues could be established in every major transportation hub across the state. God is doing more and moving faster than anyone could ever ask or think!

At the present time, over 240 students have enrolled in at least one AKSOM course (most have done much more than one). During our recent Alaska Ministry Network Conference (a.k.a. District Council), of the 23 men and women who were credentialed into vocational ministry, 60% had some type of interface with AKSOM. The tremendous growth and acceptance of AKSOM can only be explained by God's blessings resting on this ministry, the diligent work of all those involved and the prayer support offered up for the missionaries committed to this ministry.



Wade and I with Buddy Barrel (BGMC purchased three Net Book computers for use by AKSOM. Their small size is perfect when flying to Bush venues.)

NOTE FROM WADE:

After the busy year, we will be taking a little vacation during June and then returning to Eagle River to get ready for next year's classes. As the other missionary team we work with will be itinerating, we are pleased to be spending our first summer in Alaska.



While in Bethel, Wade was introduced to ice fishing and had his first experience riding in a car driven on a frozen river.

We are looking forward to visiting with as many of our supporting churches and Prayer/financial support team in Nor/Cal/Nevada as possible during the summer of 2011. We are already having churches contacting us for dates so be sure to get your requests in early. Contact us by email at coganministries@yahoo.com or phone at 907-351-3790 and we will get you on the schedule.

NOTE FROM SUSAN:

Wow it has been so busy the last few months that I can hardly believe we are almost finished for the year. Just one venue left, this one in Juneau, and we can take a break to rest & visit family. At the beginning of the year most of our venues were on the road system however we are now flying to more venues than driving. This makes transportation our biggest expense and scheduling difficulty. But God is blessing even through the difficulties.

I want to thank all of you for your prayers, I am confident that your prayers are what have enabled us to reach as many people as we have, and given us the strength to maintain the pace required for this ministry. Thank you so much, you are vital to this ministry.

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PRAYER REQUESTS:

- ◆ Please pray our students continue to grow as a result of this discipleship program.
- ◆ Safety as we travel.
- ◆ God's direction as we handle the administrative and preparation duties for the Fall classes

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