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**2020
Valeria Sherard
State Mission
Offering
Week of Prayer**

Sunday, September 6th



**LaVerne Griffin Youth Recreation Camp
Tyler & Carrie Canup**

Tyler and Carrie Canup became the Directors of LaVerne Griffin Camp on January 1st, 2020. They have three awesome kids – Cason, Avie, and Macie, who love Alaska and all that camp life has to offer!

Tyler and Carrie were both born and raised in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains in Northeast Georgia. They met in high school, got married in 2005, and went into full-time ministry shortly after. Alaska and LaVerne Griffin Camp have always been a huge part of their story. They first visited Alaska in 2007 when they worked at the camp on a mission trip. During that trip, they both felt that God was calling them to live and minister to the people in Alaska.

Prayer Request:

- *Finances
- *2021 Camp Season
- *Funding for Projects
- *Our family

Monday, September 7th



**Set Free Kenai
Roy & Amy Phillips**

Roy and Amy Phillips, along with their 5 children made the move to Alaska from Central Texas in August 2019. Since arriving, they have been serving at Set Free Church in Kenai as well as at College Heights Baptist Church in Soldotna. Together, Roy and Amy have been serving in various ministries since 2010, and have been dreaming of living in Alaska ever since they were married in 1998. It wasn't until they took a season of prayer and seeking the Lord for a new ministry direction did God give them their desire of the need for more workers in Alaska. Roy is currently a part of the Pastoral Apprenticeship program through ABRN, and is being mentored by Dr. Jim Hamilton and Pastor Nathan Buck. In their spare time, the Phillips family can be found checking out the beaches in and around Kenai, venturing out to new Alaska destinations.

Prayer requests:

- *Set Free Community Center and Church, that we can be a greater outreach to our community.
- *Our bivocational ministry and finances, that we can be good stewards with God's provisions and trust in Him to meet our every need.
- *Clarity in ministry, for where God wants to use us for His glory.
- *New friendships to be made here in Alaska for us and our kids.

Tuesday, September 8th



**Frontier Baptist - Kodiak
Mark & Heather Overbeek**

We (Mark and Heather Overbeek) moved to Kodiak, Alaska in 2003 as missionaries, with our family of one (Josiah) and one on the way. God then called us into ministry in the village of Old Harbor, where we lived, served, learned, worked and worshipped for the next 11 years. In 2015, now with five children (Josiah, Esther, Jed, Miriam, Phoebe), we felt God calling us back to Kodiak. Our desire was to leverage the relationships He'd blessed us with over the the years for great Kingdom impact, broadening our reach by living and working in the hub community of the region. God led us to Frontier Baptist Church - first as friends of the pastor (Gary Elmore); then as members; then as associate pastor and worship leader; now as senior pastor, a role I've been in for the past few years. God is so good. He continues to lead. He is faithful! We are seeing fruit of the gospel! And we're excited for what God has in store!

Prayer Requests:

- *Opportunities to reach out to the villages of Kodiak Island. It's increasingly difficult right now bc of the challenges of travel related to COVID 19.
- *Growth in the fellowship at Frontier - not just numeric growth, but that we would ever grow in the knowledge and the grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
- *Wisdom in leading Frontier as we seek to reflect the love of Christ to the communities of Kodiak Island.

Wednesday, September 9th

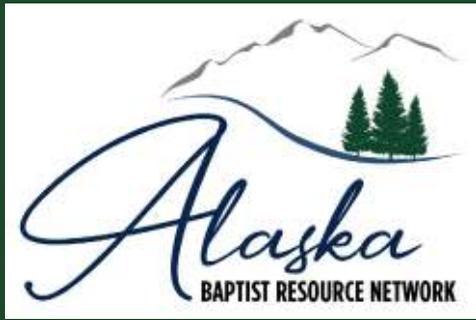


**First Baptist Church Willow
Jordan & Hannah Rowe**

We are Jordan and Hannah Rowe. We have two children; Judson Taylor (almost 2 years old) and Elli Jane (3 months old). We are originally from Florence, Alabama and followed God's leading to Alaska in June of 2019. We love it here! The beauty of creation, the people, and our church family. We are looking forward to seeing what the Lord is going to do here in Willow!

Prayer Requests

- *FBC Willow would love God with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength and love others as ourselves.
- *Ways for us to get plugged into the community and build relationships in which we can show and share the love of Christ.
- *That God would give me wisdom and discernment and that I would be sanctified in the truth as I transition to the Pastor of FBC Willow on Oct. 1.



2020 Valeria Sherard State Mission Offering is allocated

- 50% State Missions
- 10% Associational Missions
- 20% State Wide Camping
- 10% Birchwood Behavioral Health
- 5% State Missions/2000 Club and
- 5% to Alaska Disaster Relief

Thursday, September 10th



**Faith Recovery Fellowship
Scott & Kelly Thompson**

Scott and Kelly Thompson came to Alaska at the end of August 2010 because they wanted to serve the Lord in a Church Planting ministry. They believed that God would use them to reach individuals with the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Church planting vision took a different turn and Scott became a Prison Chaplain at Alaska's largest prison, Goose Creek Correctional Center. As chaplain Scott taught Bible Studies, preached in Church Services and administrated and taught at the Urban Ministry Institute (Seminary Level Bible leadership training). During his time at Goose Creek, Scott began to work with men leaving prison and transitioning back into society. That is where Faith Recovery Fellowship had it's beginning. Currently FRF has become a vibrant and growing church with over 50 percent of its attendees being ex-incarcerated and homeless individuals. We praise God for the church plant that He has raised up here at Faith Recovery Fellowship.

Pray with us for:

- *Sustainable church growth in leaders and those being disciples through this ministry.
- *The Euthus House reentry housing ministry as more ex-incarcerated men find their place through transition back into the community of the Mat-Su valley
- *Our Leadership Team as we seek God's direction for opening a recovery ministry for men suffering from addiction.

Friday, September 11th



**Agape Fellowship
Nathan & Dominika Buck**

My name is Nathaniel Buck and along with my wife, Dominika, and our four children we serve the Lord in Palmer, Alaska. I was born in Ketchikan, raised in Juneau, and pastored a church in Juneau for five years before God called us to move to Palmer to plant Agape Fellowship. In addition to pastoring, being a husband and father, NAMB asked me to serve Alaska as a part time church planter catalyst. God has been very faithful to His Word and we have been so blessed to see God move in amazing ways here in Palmer to save souls and grow His people.

Please pray for :

- *The ministry at Agape Fellowship, that God would continue to draw people to Himself through the preaching of the gospel.
- *That God would provide a permanent meeting place for Agape to continue to grow in and minister through.
- *That God would continue to raise up leaders, pastors, and church planters through the Ministry Apprenticeship Program.

The harvest is plentiful here in Alaska, so many communities are without a church and so many Alaskans have not heard the gospel. It is up to us, you and I, to bring it to them. Thank you for praying, for giving, and for going so that the gospel of Christ would be proclaimed throughout Alaska and around the whole world.

Saturday, September 12th



**Roots Family Church
Jim & Stephanie Boyd**

Jim & Stephanie Boyd have been married for 28 years and have five children. Jim is the founding pastor of Roots Family Church and the K12 church planting network. Stephanie is a gifted worship leader and sought after youth mentor. Together they launched a student run youth group in a coffee shop on the Kenai Peninsula that has reached over 200 students. Five recent graduates are now pursuing ministry careers. The Boyd's find great joy in discovering and discipling workers for the harvest.

Prayer Requests

- *Training new workers for the harvest.
- * Boldness in sharing the gospel
- *More prayer warriors

Sunday, September 13th



**Arctic Barnabas
Mike & Charity Waldrep**

The Waldreps felt a call to move to Alaska from Jemison, Alabama last fall and arrived in February 2020. Initially they began in Sand Point, where Mike took on a role as an Associate Pastor at Sand Point Baptist Chapel. The Waldreps focused their time on assisting Pastor Scott Morgan with needs in the church and in the community such as: passing out Sunday School bags to children, beginning a Celebrate Recovery program, preaching, and helping with several projects around the church. They have recently joined Arctic Barnabas, where they will be serving as Regional Field Missionaries on the road system.

Please Pray For:

- *A fervent and consistent walk with (and growth in) Christ so that we may be vessels to point others to our Lord. We want to be led by the Holy Spirit and not let our ministry ever become a job, but a mission that we pursue with right hearts and heads.
- *Opportunities to, effectively minister to churches and to reach the lost with the gospel, while maintaining a passion and desire to make the most of those moments.
- *Continued prayer, financial, and resource support