



# Baffin Island

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Dear Supporting Churches and Friends,

Our family is now in the States for the next four months. We are looking forward to updating many of our supporting churches, presenting the far north to a few new churches, and spending some precious time with family and friends. We had a blessed trip down from Nunavut, and we trust the LORD for safety and His blessings and provision as we travel the States. God graciously provided a twelve-passenger van from a Christian business man and all of our needs are being met.

December and January were full as we saw the return of our co-workers, had Christmas activities and special services, saw the arrival of the Peacocks' seventh baby, and prepared to take our furlough. Our church Christmas party was a particular joy; though we are not consumed with numbers as though that is the standard of success, we were definitely encouraged to see a record attendance of 61 souls for that gathering. The message given that evening was on the meaning of the title "Christ" as attributed to Jesus, seeing Him as the "Chosen One" promised from the earliest days of man's history (Genesis 3:15).

The ministry in the north is going well; we continue to see a number of the people who come to church growing in their understanding of God and their relationship with Him. We have been giving marriage counseling to a young couple who have been seriously seeking God's leading in their life. It is such a joy to see people growing and listening to God's Spirit through His Word! Please pray for this couple and the number of others who are hearing the Word: that the lost would come to saving faith and that the saved would continue to grow in their understanding. Below is a recent photo after a Sunday service. Some of our regular attenders were missing, including Thad and Emily, as little Brooke was born only a few hours later!

Although we will not be able to visit with all our churches on this short furlough, we will try to send a video update and prayer cards to those churches that we are not able to see this time. If anyone who receives this letter would also like to receive our update video or prayer card, please respond to our e-mail address with your contact information and we will try to include you in the mailing. Please know that you are ALL appreciated for your part in our ministry. Thank you for giving and praying for the LORD's work in the far north!



We will keep you updated in the following months as to how our furlough is going, and we earnestly desire your prayers for safety as we travel many miles. Also, please pray that God would use us to be a blessing to God's people and anyone we may meet as we travel.

Christ's for the Arctic,  
Paul J., Loretta,

Paul Jon, Kenny, Micah, Josiah, Julia, MaryBeth, Elaina, and Baby Hitz

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Isaiah 42:4 "The isles shall wait for His law."

## BAFFIN BITS:

### ARCTIC ATMOSPHERE

Iqaluit: Feb. 08, '17  
-21 F (-29 C)

Sunrise: 7:50 a.m.  
Sunset: 3:47 p.m.

### Praises:

1. Well-attended church services
2. Safety traveling thus far
3. Safe Delivery of Brooke Peacock

### Prayer Requests:

1. God's Wisdom in our lives
2. Continued language study
3. Salvation of souls
4. Safety traveling on furlough