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Dear Supporting Churches and Friends,

Hello to all! We are halfway through our furlough and grateful to report that we have had safe travels over many thousands of miles. The LORD has indeed been gracious to us! Our travels have taken us from Ottawa to as far west as Arizona and as far east as North Carolina. All of our supporting churches that we've visited have been a blessing to us and we have been encouraged by the love and care shown. It is fun to watch our children experience so many things that were normal to our childhood, but are foreign to them. We've gotten a barrage of questions such as, "Why does one town need so many stores and restaurants?" and, "Do they have bathrooms in the States?" The children have also been fascinated and terrified by bugs, thunderstorms, and the threat of tornados, some things that they never encounter in the far north.

Our co-worker, Bro. Thad, reports continued good services and ministering opportunities in Iqaluit while we are gone. We are very grateful to have their family continuing the ministry in our absence. Though we are away, our hearts are not far from our home and the dear friends we have there. It is neat to see how the LORD ties one's hearts to the people to whom He sends one. Please keep the believers in Iqaluit in prayer as well as the many who still need to be saved.

We are delighted that the LORD is giving us another child, and it is a GIRL!! Maybe some of you noticed the subtle hint in our last prayer letter in which we included "Baby Hitz" at the end of our signature. Loretta is due at the end of August; we intend to get back to Iqaluit in June and have the baby up there. Please keep Loretta and the baby in prayer as we travel.

Another blessing is that God is sending another summer intern to Nunavut! Nathan Schrock is a Bible College student who will be helping out with our ministry and the Baptist church in Rankin Inlet. We'd appreciate your prayers for Nathan as he finishes up his junior year at Ambassador Baptist College and makes preparations to come north in June for about eight weeks.

We have just uploaded our furlough video to the internet. For those who would like to see our update video, as I mentioned before, just send us a reply e-mail and we will send you a private link to view the video.

Christ's for the Arctic,

Paul J., Loretta,

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

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

Praises:

1. Safety traveling thus far
2. Good meetings with supporting churches
3. Good report from the ministry in Iqaluit

Prayer Requests:

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