



Karl and Kristan Thieme's

Tundra Transmitter



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Ministry News

“Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.” Deuteronomy 31:6 NIV.

While there is a lot of negative news this month, know that the staff of VFCM are pulling together to encourage one another and we appreciate your prayers. We know that God will not leave us during this rough time and will fulfill his plans for this ministry.



The missionaries who have been stationed out in Bethel, Alaska at KYKD are leaving to return home to Ohio. During March we made a trip out to Bethel to try to create a plan for running the radio station in their absence. Here Kristan is learning from Jon.

Karl was able to work on several pieces of equipment to provide more remote control access to this station. Here, Karl is realigning the satellite dish that provides programs to KYKD.



Please be in prayer with us that God will provide the perfect missionaries to run KYKD.

Translators

Also, during this month, VFCM has run into some snags with the Federal Communications Commission regarding two of our translator installs. Another prayer point is for our VFCM lawyer and RF engineer to be given wisdom to deal with these issues and that God's Word will be able to be heard in these two remote areas of Alaska.

Meanwhile, we are still moving along with the project. Towards the end of March, we were able to

take a trip to the village of Quina-hagak (Kwin-a-hawk). There is approximately 648 Eskimos in this village and just over 100 of them belong to the local church. Here Kristan is talking with the church pastor and maintenance man to iron out the details of where the radio equipment will be placed and how it will be installed. Karl is not pictured because he is running around taking technical readings to assist in aligning the satellite dish for installation.



While we are struggling with the FCC, we know that God has a plan for this translator project. A generous donor was moved by God's spirit to provide over \$60K to pay for the remaining installation equipment and related expenses. Praise God for His faithfulness even in the rough spots!



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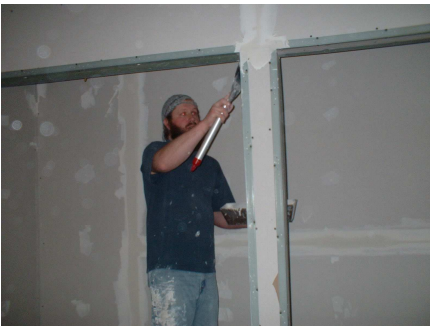
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- I (We) would like to inquire at my (our) church to see if they would be willing to support Karl and Kristan, please send me (us) more information.

Personal Update

A wonderful blessing is that Kristan's father (A.K.A. Papa) has been able to spend nearly the whole month with us. He has been doing a great job announcing on the radio and even held down the KAGV fort all by himself during the week that we were in Bethel, AK.



We have not worked much on the house this month due to our schedules and catching individual colds. Papa has been able to help us do some tapping and mudding on the first floor. We are very excited to get the top floor finished soon and may even have some help from some Lake City friends later in the springtime.



Newsletter Distribution

As mentioned last month, we have a need to reduce our personal cost of communicating with you. Beginning with the April addition of the "Tundra Transmitter" the main delivery method will no longer be paper and the United States Postal Service.

For those of you who have access to email, it would save us approximately \$0.75 per newsletter copy each month if we could send your "Tundra Transmitter" electronically. For those of you who prefer to receive your newsletter via United States Postal Service, we are happy to send you a paper copy as communicating with you is very important to us.

In order to assist us in the transition, please fill out the enclosed yellow card and mail it to Voice For Christ Ministries in the provided self-addressed postage paid envelope. Feel free to include multiple email addresses for your household. Please respond with this card in order to continue receiving these "Tundra Transmitter" newsletters.

Monthly Support Goals

	Finance	Prayer Partners	Number of Prayers
Goals	\$2844	50	150
Current	\$2846 (100%)	52 (104%)	404 (270%)
Still Needed	Goal Met	Goal Met	Goal Met

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