

THE
POWER
OF
Prayer



Not All Hope Was Lost...

"Tanya" was determined to have an abortion. She was so fearful about what her mom would say about the pregnancy, it felt like her only option was to "make it go away." When she and her boyfriend came into New Hope, we explained to them right away that we do not refer for abortions or perform abortions, but thankfully, she agreed to have an ultrasound performed. Being further along than she thought, we were able to see the baby move, identify the hands and feet, and very clearly hear the baby's heartbeat. It was devastating to us that even after this wonderful ultrasound picture, Tanya, with sadness in her voice, said she was still going to have an abortion. She called back weeks later asking for a referral for a clinic, one that we wouldn't give her. All hope seemed lost...

We were shocked when Tanya came back to us several months later. She proudly showed us her beautiful rounded belly, sharing that she told her mom and that she was excited for them. Tanya and her boyfriend picked out clothes in the Care Corner, marveling at the thought of meeting their child soon.

Name changed to protect confidentiality.

THIS, FRIENDS, IS THE POWER OF PRAYER. WE ARE SO THANKFUL THAT GOD MIRACULOUSLY PUT BARRIERS IN HER WAY THAT DIDN'T ALLOW HER TO GO THROUGH WITH AN ABORTION!

Dear Friends,

We are so thankful for your prayers, your gifts, and the many different ways you support New Hope. As you can clearly see, each and every way you partner with us results in lives changed and babies saved from the tragedy of abortion.

We love stories like Tanya's because it reminds us time and again that this ministry is near and dear to the Lord's heart and He is always working! Our job is to speak truth, give love, and share hope, but it's the Holy Spirit who intervenes and convicts.

Will you continue your partnership with a financial gift to New Hope this Christmas? Your support makes stories like Tanya's possible. She was able to see her baby and hear the truth about abortion which also played a large role in her choosing life. That's possible because of YOU.

To our prayer warriors - keep praying. They make an eternal difference here.

Merry Christmas, *Kathy Jerman* Kathy Jerman, Executive Director

New Hope Family Services seeks to be Christ's hands extended to offer help and hope to those with pregnancy, parenting, adoption, and post abortion needs by offering free services in the Syracuse area. All gifts are tax-deductible.



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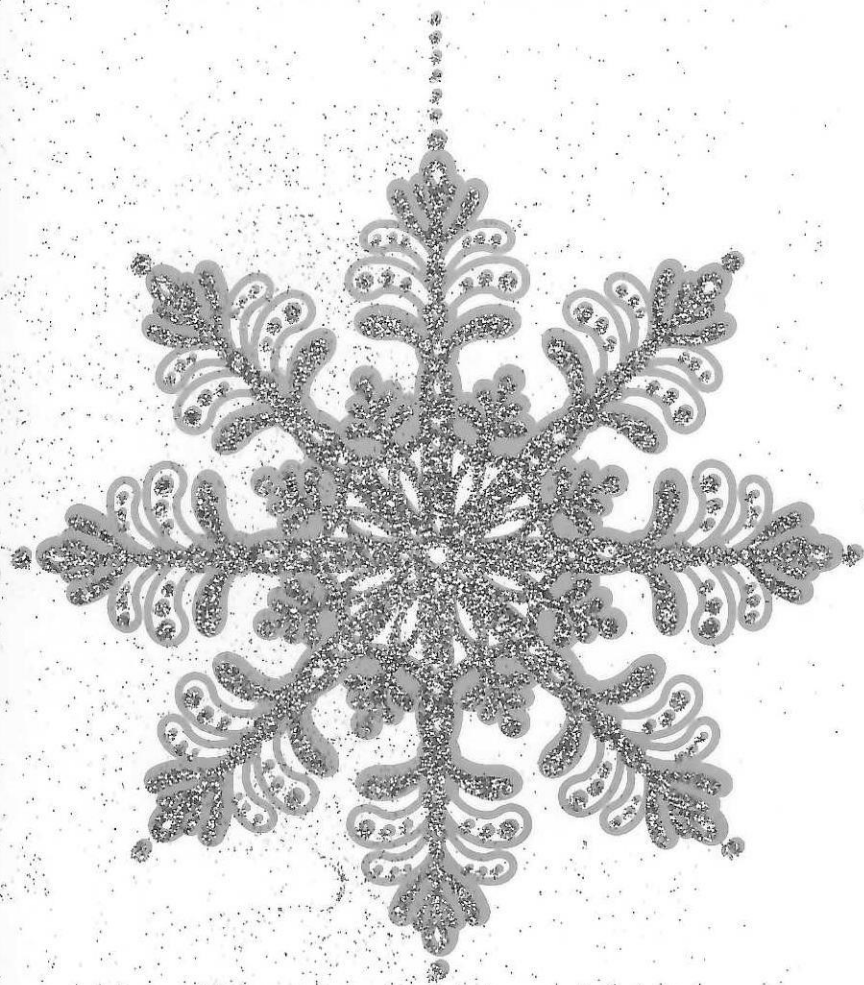
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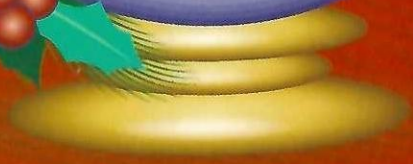


Warmest wishes
to keep you happy
all season
and all through
the new year!

Merry Christmas + Happy
New Year to you all!
Hopefully we can get
together soon in 2021.

God bless.

Jennifer Hyriza



May the true spirit
of the holiday season
fill your heart
with peace and love!

THANKS FOR ALL YOUR
THOUGHTS. PRAYERS.
CALLS ETS.

Horace Terrill

PEACE



Wishing you a beautiful
Holiday Season
and a New Year of Peace
and Happiness

Thankyou so much for all of
your cards, ^{good}wishes, and prayers
throughout the year. It's
encouraging and very supportive!
It means a lot.

Harry Luke



Warm wishes for a
wonderful Holiday Season
and joyous New Year

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'Tis the Season
to be merry and bright!

Harley

Christmas Blessings to You



Fabius Christian Church

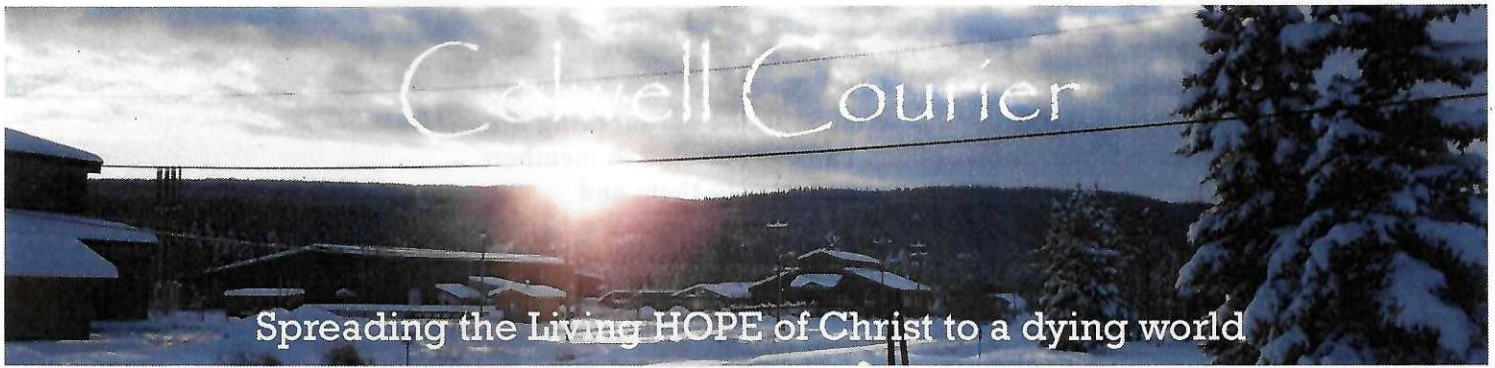
Christmas is more
than carols and stars—
It's more than glitter and shine.
Christmas is *love*
and *peace* and *goodwill*
that dwell in your heart
and mine.



David W. Pilcher
to
Sully (DOG)

“Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace, good will toward men.”

LUKE 2:14 KJV



Greetings from Ross River

Dear Faithful Friends ,

This year has been like none any of us have ever experienced. The world was turned upside down, but the goodness and love of our Lord continued to shine brightly. Sure the ministries were different. Some of the Face to Face meetings had to be cancelled, but God continued to give multiple opportunities to show His love to the people around us. The hope we have in Christ was in stark contrast to the fear of so many in the face of the world pandemic. We rejoice in the promise from God, "I am the Lord, I

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January— We enjoyed a couples retreat, for ministry leaders, sponsored by Focus on the Family in Winnipeg, Manitoba. It was a great time of refreshment and fellowship as we spent a week with two other couples who like us were involved in full-time ministry. We finished our home service fully supported. Praise the Lord. We headed back up the hwy. to begin our fifth term of service in the Yukon. After stopping briefly to see Jaime in Alberta, we made it back to



February— We got right back into ministry after being gone for 6 months. We enjoyed being reunited with friends and colleagues in ministry and fellowshiping with our church. Kid's Bible Club and After-School Program averaged between 15 and 20 kids each afternoon. Jocelyn and Jaime came for a visit and brought a friend of Jessie's. We spent



March— After only being home for 1 1/2 months, we had to close the HOPE Centre on March 23, due to COVID-19. No church, no Bible Studies, no after-school program. We continued our morning drop-in time. We began doing regular phone calls to our church members each Sunday morning as a means of encouraging them and praying with them in the time we can not be together. We



April— The world goes crazy wondering what is going to happen. Gwendy struggled with severe acid reflux and still has lingering effects on her throat. Jaime gets stuck in the dorm in Alberta, wondering when she will be able to come home. Jocelyn got to spend a weekend with her on campus. Things stayed pretty quiet in Ross River. We started daily verse post on the HOPE Centre Facebook page and released three short



May— Jaime got to come home after spending six weeks alone at Prairie. Jenna got her drivers permit. We gained two extra kids, Kaneda and Kyra due to their parents not being able to care for them due to addictions. We helped one of our church members start a cabin. Tim's brother and then Mom passed away unexpectedly. God comforts us with, "Be still and know that I am God." Ministry

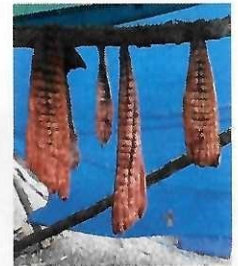


June— For the first time in our 20 years of ministry in the North, we had no interns, no summer missionaries, and no summer Bible Camp. Tim and Jenna traveled to NY for burial and memorial services. God supplied abundantly for the unexpected trip. We finished planting our garden and green house. Joe caught his first Northern Pike.



July—

After six weeks of various family members spending time in quarantine, we reunited for July 1. We helped one of the families in our church put up the shell for their new home. We began to have weekly services and Bible Study in person again. We joined a weekly game with others from the community. We were able to take



August— We spent a week camping in the bush. It rained most of the time, but we were glad to have some time to relax and enjoy the beauty of God's creation together. Joseph learned to kayak and paddle board. Jaime headed back to Bible College in Three Hills. Jaime took leadership role helping to lead 8 other girls in their spiritual development. Jocelyn celebrated her one year anniversary of her



September— After not being able to run any kids ministry all summer, we started our After-School Program and Kid's Bible Club. We have been having between 8-12 children ages 4-12 each afternoon. We are teaching them about God and how to live according to the Bible. We went hunting, but got no moose. The Lord provided for our needs through others generosity. We helped one of the widows from



October— Life is almost back to normal. Meetings were scheduled in the HOPE Centre, birthday parties to attend, daily ministries are happening, Church is growing, Bible Study continues through Galatians, and morning coffee time helping to encourage the men of the community. COVID numbers globally continue to rise. Meetings are cancelled, people keep their kids at home. We get to minister and focus on more one on one ministry.



November— We gathered Christmas shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child and met our goal of 12 boxes from our community. Our church finished a study through the book of Ezra and began a series looking at the Promises leading up to Christmas. The Yukon begins to get hit with COVID. People are full of fear in Ross River. The believers in our church stand firm in the hope they have in Christ.



December— We have no idea what this next month or next year will bring, but we know who holds the future and He said in His Word, "I the Lord do not change..." No matter what COVID or anything else brings us, now or in the future we know God is sovereign over all and we are in

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart,"
Proverbs 3:5

Friends at Fabius Christmas, It was so nice to see some of you a year ago at Mary Ann's home. Thanks you for your financial partnership with us in the Lord's work.

In Christ, Who is Immanuel, God with us,
The Colwell Family

Tim, Gwendy, Jocelyn, Jessie, Jaime, Jenna, and Joseph

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