

# HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH PLANTING 2024

## **Our Mission** **Planting Free, Living, Lutheran Congregations**

**Free** - Congregations rooted in Gospel freedom.

**Living** - Congregations empowered by the Spirit for life and mission.

**Lutheran** – Congregations nourished through the Word and Sacraments.

## **Our Process** **For Planters and New Gatherings**

**Planter** – Explore, assess, train, prepare, launch, and support.

**New Gathering** – explore, gather, grow, launch, call.

**Partner with us**  
**Create a Support Team, Pray, Inform, give, care, learn and serve.**

**Stay Connected**  
**The Lutheran Church Planter** – The Lutheran Church Planter, is a podcast exploring the theology, philosophy, and practice of planting Lutheran congregations.

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For mor information on Planting Churches or a more elaborate explanation of the lists above go to the Home Missions website and explore all of the information and resources that they have put together.

PRAY.....PRAY.....PRAY

# HOME MISSIONS CHURCH LIST

2024

## **LIVING STONE CHINESE LUTHERAN FELLOWSHIP | ST. PAUL, MN**

Church Planters: Pastor Holmes & Jia Zhao

**Hospitality Center For Chinese**

**Location:** 1407 Cleveland Ave N., St. Paul, MN 55108

**Church Contact Email:** [holmes@hcchinese.org](mailto:holmes@hcchinese.org)

\*They meet several times weekly for Chinese Bible Study.

Sponsor Church: Emmaus Lutheran Church, Bloomington, MN

## **HOPE FREE LUTHERAN | KILLDEER, ND**

**Pastor:** Gideon and Erin Johnson

**Location:** High Plains Cultural Center, 470 5th Ave SW, Killdeer, ND 58640

**Mailing Address:** 470 5th Ave SW, Killdeer, ND 58640

**Phone:** 701-651-6960

**Website:** [www.HopeFreeKilldeer.org](http://www.HopeFreeKilldeer.org)

**Email:** [pastorgideonjohnson@gmail.com](mailto:pastorgideonjohnson@gmail.com)

## **THE SOURCE; MESA, AZ**

**Pastor:** Eric Johnson

**Location:** 7205 E. Southern Ave., Suite 105, Mesa, AZ 85209

**Mailing Address:** PO Box 20074, Mesa, AZ 85277

**Phone:** (480) 866-2310

**Website:** [source59.com](http://source59.com)

**Email:** [eric.source59@gmail.com](mailto:eric.source59@gmail.com)

## **WAIKIKI BEACH GATHERING | HONOLULU, HI**

**Pastor:** Brady Arneson

**Location:** 2729 Kalakaua Ave, Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

**Phone:** 808.465.0472

**Website:** [www.wbg.church](http://www.wbg.church)

**Email:** [brady@wbg.church](mailto:brady@wbg.church)

## **TRINITY SAN ANTONIO | SAN ANTONIO, TX**

**Pastor:** Matthew and Natalie Ballmann

**Location:** Woehler Family Center,  
located behind St. Thomas Episcopal Church and School,  
1416 N. Loop 1604 E., San Antonio, TX 78232

**Website:** [trinitysa.org](http://trinitysa.org)

**Email:** [office@trinitysa.org](mailto:office@trinitysa.org)

## **HOPE AFLC | ENDERLIN, ND**

**Pastor:** Tom & Beth Olson

**Location:** 228 5th Ave, Enderlin, ND 58027-1315

**Website:** [hopelutheranenderlin.org](http://hopelutheranenderlin.org)

**Phone:** (701) 437-3777

# HOME MISSIONS – ALASKA Missionaries



## **Pastor Bob and Margaret Lee**

*KAKN Radio Station Manager*

Pastor Bob Lee and his wife Margaret also serve in Alaska. Bob is a pastor and KAKN station manager and Margaret as a teacher in Naknek. Pastor Lee is a 2010 graduate of Association Free Lutheran Seminary and began his service at KAKN in June 2010.

Prior to attending seminary, Pastor Lee also received training at California State University, Omaha Lutheran Bible School, Concordia Seminary, Fuller School of World Mission, and the International School of Theology.

Sensing God's call back into missions, and seeing the Lord at work in Naknek, the Lee's accepted the call from AFLC Home Missions to serve in Naknek, AK.

### **Contact Information:**

Pastor Bob Lee  
c/o KAKN Radio  
PO Box 214  
Naknek, AK 99633

[pastorboblee@gmail.com](mailto:pastorboblee@gmail.com)  
907-246-7492

### **Birthdays**

Pastor Bob    Sept. 22  
Margaret     August 11

## **JOSHUA FISH**

*Director of Maintenance*



Joshua grew up in Everett, Washington. Graduated from AFLBS in 1999. After AFLBS, he earned his A.A. degree and then decided to become a pilot, earning his commercial pilot license. Joshua spent 21 years working for Costco. In 2021, he became the Director of Maintenance for the Alaska Mission and moved to Naknek.

As the Director of Maintenance, Joshua is responsible for maintenance needs of the buildings, properties, and vehicles of the Alaska Mission. In addition, Joshua is a pilot that assists with all the flying needs of the Mission.

## **HEATHER HANSEN**

*Alaska Missionary*

Originally from small town North Dakota, Heather found her way to Alaska, where she first taught Vacation Bible School in 2016. She hooked, continuing to teach during the summers until moving to Alaska in 2020. Currently, Heather invests in kids through her work in the local school system. God has been faithful to provide opportunities to connect, love and pray for the kids/youth. Heather continues to see what the Lord will do in this land with people He so abundantly loves, doing what He calls her to do.



## ALASKA GIFT REGISTRY



Our Alaska missionaries have limited access to stores, and their remote location often brings up needs for unique items. Similar to an online baby or wedding shower registry, Home Missions has set up an online **Alaska Hospitality Registry**. This allows them to keep an up-to-date list of needs, unnecessary duplications are avoided, and it is easy to use. Please go to the links below to see how you may serve our Alaska Missionaries.

- 1) Here is the website - <https://www.myregistry.com/visitors/?registryid=337412>  
If you would like, there is also an option to print the registry off. The Alaska Gift Registry link is also available on the HOME MISSION website under the Ministries tab.
- 2) <http://www.myregistry.com/visitors/giftlist.aspx?sid=cea21c35-7e2d-4295-a0d3-cb3ae829e868> As you skim through the list, you'll notice a picture and the description and quantity of the requested item. When something catches your eye, click on the "View or Buy this Gift" option. That will take you directly to an online store, usually Amazon, where we've found the best prices.
- 3) There are 2 ways to purchase a gift:
  - If you decide to **purchase the gift directly** from the online store link and have it shipped to Alaska, proceed with an online purchase as normal, using the shipping address below.
  - If you prefer to **shop at a local store**, that works too. You will still need to view the gift item on the linked store website. When you click to close the store page, a screen will pop up on the myregistry.com site asking you if you have purchased the item. If you plan to purchase it locally, click "Yes", and the system will update the registry to show the item has been purchased.
- 4) **Use the USPS when shipping;** Priority mail works well. UPS shipping is not available in Naknek.  
**KAKN Radio**  
**P.O. Box 214**  
**Naknek, AK 99633**  
**(907) 246-7492**  
If a P.O. Box is not accepted try using KAKN Radio, 214 KAKN WAY Naknek, AK 99633
- 5) Please don't hesitate to contact Home Missions if you have any questions or problems with the registry. Thank you!

## Quilts for Alaska

We so appreciate all the quilts being sent our way here in Alaska. We pass them out to people here in Naknek, as well as take them to many area villages where we fly. We have taken several boxes to a closed village (due to strong Russian Orthodox influence) and we were welcomed there solely because of quilts. We also have sent quilts to villages where there has been severe flooding and people had lost nearly everything - the quilts were received with tears. Additionally, we shared dozens of quilts last summer with international visitors to Naknek during fishing season.



### ***WHY QUILTS?***

- Great way for us to give a practical expression of God's love in this cold climate.
- People appreciate the quilts.
- It opens doors to share the Gospel.

### ***FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT SENDING QUILTS***

- **When are quilts most needed? Does it matter how many we send?**  
Quilts are welcome year round and we never have too many.
- **What type of quilts do you need?**  
We especially appreciate baby quilts and larger quilts for full size beds.
- **How should we ship our quilts?**  
The best way to send them is through regular mail, at the cheapest rate. Unfortunately, we do not have UPS or FedEx in Naknek.
- **How much does it cost to send quilts?**  
Cost depends on your location.
- **How long does it take to ship quilts to Alaska?**  
They may take several weeks or more to get here.
- **What address should we use?**

**KAKN Radio/Alaska Mission  
P.O Box 214  
214 KAKN Way  
Naknek, AK 99633**

# The Net in Alaska



"What is the ministry of The Net? It's a Sanctuary in a sea of chaos and unrest. It's a place where strangers are treated like family. One young woman walking in breathed deeply, "This place smells like love." Our table is laid with fresh coffee, hot cocoa, lemonade, water, iced tea and platters of fresh baked goods and a basket of packaged snacks and candies. A few tables with

chairs, a well worn couch and coffee table invite guests to stay awhile. The walls hold bookshelves with Bibles, devotionals and Scripture tracts to feed the mind and nurture the soul. Board games and puzzles are stacked on an end table, and used clothing is piled on a table in the back room.

Everything is free. Sometimes people would come to the kitchen asking where the donation basket is. We would tell them it's all a free gift to anyone who comes, just like God freely gives salvation to those who come to Him through Christ. We also told them that the food comes from our church family and friends down in the lower 48 who care for them and the difficulty of life during this season." JULIE - A NET VOLUNTEER

## ***FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS***

### **WHAT SERVICE SHOULD I USE?**

Use USPS when shipping if you're not shipping directly from a website. Priority mail or flat rate shipping boxes work best. UPS shipping/ Fed Ex are **not** available in Naknek. Our last advice? Ship early! You never know when it might get there.

### **HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?**

- Set-up display table
- Volunteer at the net
- Get young people involved
- Purchase off of Alaska registry

### **WHERE SHOULD I SHIP MY ITEMS?**

**The Net, c/o KAKN Radio**  
PO Box 214  
Naknek, AK 99633

(If a PO Box is not accepted try using The Net, c/o KAKN Radio, 214 KAKN Way, Naknek, AK 99633