



## Worth the Effort

Alaska in early March experienced the enduring pain of the frostbite of mid-winter, but the promise of Spring warmth is also in the air. Now with the rapidly advancing daylight (11 hours/day), and gaining more than 40 minutes a week, we know that in approximately 30 days the accumulated snow will be melting furiously at mid-day; when the temperatures will be rising above the benchmark of 32 degrees.

Meanwhile for AWA, we are in the finishing stages of our 13-village Essential Household Products distribution project. As previously reported, AWA in collaboration with ACS (Adventist Community Services), the

Rasmussen Foundation, Alaska Medical Missions, and the PPE Task Force, initiated a project to mitigate the spread of Covid-19 among the native villages of Alaska, by supplying PPE, disinfectant, cleaning supplies and other household products to each individual household in every village that does not have a clean, safe water system, nor community sewer infrastructure.

This effort has required between four and five months to carry to completion. The sourcing, ordering, and determining village distribution data was cared for by Alaska Medical Missions, a faith-based ministry in Anchorage. Once the shipment arrived in Fairbanks it was stored in the ACS warehouse until the time it was loaded on AWA aircraft for the flight to each village.



As of this writing it is a bit early to declare total victory. We have just one more flight to make to the two most distant villages, Shageluk and Takotna, but as I write this, a large winter storm is lashing the west coast of Alaska with high winds, blowing snow, and visibility reduced to a mile or less. Hopefully, within the next few days, this will all pass, and we will complete our last flight in support of this effort.

We are all called to an active ministry no matter the season; winter, summer, spring or fall. Sometimes, just staying alive requires a tremendous effort. The needs exist no matter what time of year it is.

We encourage our supporters to not become weary in their support of the work that is being done in the out-of-the-way places of the earth. God has children, sheep of His flock, in all places, all seasons, speaking every kind of language.

Representatives of "every tongue and tribe" will answer the call of Jesus and join His family when His Kingdom comes!

Thank you for your prayers and your donations!

God bless you all, *Jim and Linda Kincaid* 

When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.

-Matthew 25:31-33

