



May/June 2017

Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

We trust this letter finds you well. At the beginning of May, we departed Rankin Inlet, Nunavut and have been enjoying the first month of our furlough! The first several weeks we enjoyed some special visits with our family in Manitoba and Washington State, and then travelled to eastern Ohio where we are staying with Becky's uncle and aunt. This is our "home base" for the furlough. Our kids, especially, have been enjoying all the different aspects of life out of the Arctic. They were overjoyed to see trees (the nearest tree to Rankin Inlet, I'm told, is over 160 miles away) and play in the green grass in their bare feet (we have no green grass or lawns in our part of the arctic). Of course trips to McDonalds, ice-cream shops, and the Pacific and Atlantic oceans have been a highlight for them too!

A highlight for the whole family was to be able to make a special trip to meet up with the Paul J. Hitz family who were just ending their furlough. Faithful readers may remember that they are also ministering in Nunavut, but over 1,000 kms away. We rarely get to fellowship with them because of the vast distance that separates us.

We have had some blessed times to reconnect with a number of our supporting churches already and have been encouraged several times to have people come up to us and say that they pray for us every day! Over the next several months we will continue to visit our supporting churches here in the US as well as into Ontario. Please continue to pray for safety in travel, and good health for the whole family.

On a final note, we are excited to announce that Becky has officially been granted her Canadian Citizenship! She passed the test with a 100%, and then was sworn-in the same afternoon. We have already applied for and received her Canadian passport. Thank you to those who prayed for her. This is an important step to aid us in our longevity in the country of Canada.

Thank you again for your prayer and financial support!

In Christ,

*Nathan Jones and family*