

## Missionary Highlight ... Karl & Indigo Nelson



It has been a long time since we have updated you; there is much to share.

First, it seems that the door to permanent residence in Asia is closing. Our friends who have been renting our apartment are moving and we can't afford to keep the apartment so we are selling and giving away our things. I (Indigo) just returned from a six-week trip there to work on emptying out the apartment and have not finished. I will go back in January.

This does not mean that the door to ministry is closing, it is just changing. While I was there, I met a pastor who heard about my ministry of counseling parents in how to train their children. He explained that this is a big need in his church.

Another reason we believe that God is leading is that people have offered to take care of my needs while I am there. Many have offered a place to stay, meals, and transportation to get places.

Currently, we are living on property we purchased in Kansas. The land we found is close to Texas and I can continue to see my doctor and Karl's parents.

Three of our boys are living and working in Alaska and loving it. One is in Texas working and we are still homeschooling our three youngest. Thank you for your prayers and support.

### Prayer Requests:

1. God will continue to open doors, provide financial means and safety as Indigo travels.
2. For guidance on what ministry God would have them do here in the United States.

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### The ABC's of Becoming a Christian

**A** — **Admit** to God that you are a sinner. Repent, turning away from your sin.

"For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23

**B** — **Believe** that Jesus is God's Son and accept God's gift of forgiveness from sin.

"While we were sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

**C** — **Confess** your faith in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord.

"If you will confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved." Romans 10:9

**Prayer:** Dear God, I am sorry for my sins. I believe Jesus died on the cross for my sins. Please forgive me. I ask Jesus to come into my life to be my Savior and Lord. Thank you for loving me and saving me from my sins. In Jesus name, Amen.



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**Welcome to Worship!** — We're so glad you have joined us this morning. If you are a guest today, please fill out a Covenant Connect card and place it in the offering. **Children's Church** is for 3-7 year olds; 8 yrs old and older need to stay with their parents. Parents, drop off your children prior to joining the service. (10:30am service)

**Communion Sunday** — Today is Communion Sunday and all who have accepted Christ as their savior are welcome to participate. The bread that is being served is gluten-free for the convenience of all participants.

**Compassion Offering**—will be received today to be used for emergencies or other needs of those in our congregation or community. The collection plate will be at the rear of the church. You may use your offering envelope and mark the section "other" as Compassion Fund.

**Greeting Potluck** — Our exchange students, Natalie and Sarah, will be sharing about their countries of Ukraine & Estonia today at 11:45am. We invite you to stay for a potluck meal and learn about Ukraine and Estonia.

**Annual Meeting** — Sunday, February 9, at 11:45am. We will be enjoying pizza for lunch; please bring a sweet to share with others. Ministry leaders, please have your report in to the office by February 3.

**Ladies Bible Study** — Tuesdays, at 9:15am in Room 200

 **Snow Removal** — We are looking for people who can help in clearing the sidewalks when it snows. Questions? Contact Jerry Nyborg at 324.3705.

**Adult Sunday School** — Room 200 at 10:30am.

## Community Opportunities...

**Grief Share** — will begin Saturday, January 18 at 10am in Room 200. Questions? Contact Tucky at 218.742.6040.

**Northern Options for Women Gala** — Saturday, January 25 at the AmericInn. The evening begins at 5pm with a social hour and dinner at 6pm. Elaine Johnson will be sharing her story. Please contact NOFW at 285.7673 or northernoptions.org for more information.

**Community Café** — Tuesday, January 28 at 5pm.

**Divorce Care** — Thursdays, 6:30-8pm, beginning February 6.

## Why Don't I Always Feel God?

Ephesians 3:14-19

**1. The reasons that** \_\_\_\_\_.

• **Maybe you are** \_\_\_\_\_.

Jesus answered, 'The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent.' So they asked him, 'What miraculous sign then will you give that we may see it and believe you? What will you do?' John 6:29-30

• **Maybe your** \_\_\_\_\_.

You will be ever hearing but never understanding; you will be ever seeing but never perceiving; For this people's heart has become calloused; they hardly hear with their ears, and they have closed their eyes.

Matthew 13:14-15

• **Maybe you** \_\_\_\_\_.

Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and I will show myself to him.

John 14:21

• **Maybe you've** \_\_\_\_\_.

Listen! The Lord is not too weak to save you, and he is not becoming deaf. He can hear you when you call. But there is a problem – your sins have cut you off from God.

Isaiah 59:1-2 (NLT)

If we confess our sins, he (God) is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:9

Do not cast me from your presence ... restore to me the joy of your salvation.

Psalms 51:11,12

**2. The promises that** \_\_\_\_\_.

"You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all of your heart. I will be found by you,' declares the Lord."

Jeremiah 29:13-14

For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them.

Matthew 18:20

Jesus said, "And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor, who will never leave you. He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. The world at large cannot receive him, because it isn't looking for him and doesn't recognize him. But you do, because he lives with you now and later will be in you."

John 14:16-17