



## Happy Thanksgiving!

### Family Blessings

Living in Alaska for over a year now has brought many transitions followed by many blessings. Some of the transitions continue to be getting used to the lack of sun during the winter days, Cy and Sadie getting their first jobs and driving themselves to those jobs! Some blessings are that we are all finding ways to meet new people and form new relationships and our house continues to become more of a home. **Cy** is working to finish his last year of high school and working construction 2 days a week. **Sadie** was on a volleyball team this fall and is involved with a couple of youth groups while making her way through grade 11 **Emily** and Phil bought their first house in Smithers, BC and are in the remodeling process. Wendell and I continue working at SOAR while facing the reality that Cy and Sadie will be done with H.S. very soon!



### SOAR International Ministries

We are very thankful for the pastors who are God's hands and feet in Russia and Abkhazia. What a great job they have done sharing God's love with their congregations, orphans and communities. January 2020 was the last time we were able to enter Russia and Abkhazia, so everyone is anxious to get back to help our partners. SOAR is in the process of obtaining visas to hopefully return this January for SOAR's Stuff a Stocking project. Wendell and I have also had the fun of sharing SOAR's ministry as well as Stuff a Stocking with some local churches this fall.

[SOAR International Website](#)



#### Countdown to Stuff A Stocking

Click on the picture above for video

Wendell and Heather presenting SOAR at Soldotna Church of the Nazarene.

#### Meet Ruslan and Olya!



Ruslan and Olya are SOAR missionaries who are based in Chaplygin, Russia. They both grew up in Moldova. They are truly the hands and feet of the Lord as they meet the needs of local youth and families by visiting, sharing the Gospel, and delivering food baskets. They are currently in the process of building a church. We, as a SOAR staff, have been able to zoom with Ruslan and Olya several times to see how they are doing and to offer support and encouragement. Wendell and Ruslan have started meeting on zoom every Friday to try and teach each other Russian and English. Normally a friend in Moscow translates but the guys are on their own on Fridays as they share and learn with each other via Google translate. Olya and I chat over email with each other (again Google translate) and have shared recipes and pictures of each other's gardens. Olya is definitely the better gardener!

[More about the Mahotkin's click here](#)

**Prayer:**

- That Russian visas would be granted to SOAR Staff
- Stuff a Stocking Project - 3000 stockings
- Additional Support

**Praise:**

- A great SOAR team to work with
- Friends and Family

**Support Level:** 78% of budget

**To meet budget:** Additional \$1,300/month

[Donate to the Garrison's](#)

**Thank you for all of your encouragement,  
friendship, prayers and support!**

Company Name | [Website](#)



Wendell & Heather Garrison | 350 Ames Rd, Kenai, AK 99611

[Unsubscribe wgarrison@soarinternational.org](mailto:wgarrison@soarinternational.org)

[Update Profile](#) | [About Constant Contact](#)

Sent by [wgarrison@soarinternational.org](mailto:wgarrison@soarinternational.org) in collaboration  
with



Try email marketing for free today!