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MERRY CHRISTMAS

from the Pages

*"And you shall call His name Immanuel,
which translated means, God with us." Matthew 1:23b*



SOAR celebrates 25 years — 1998 - 2023



We thank God for His faithfulness to SOAR these 25 years. We celebrated this milestone with SOAR staff & other wonderful friends at the Soldotna Bible Chapel in September. Our former pastor John Rysdyk (who traveled from Arizona with his wife Renee) shared a message entitled, "Why Missions?" that was powerful & challenged many to get involved in sharing the Gospel message! God has miraculously provided for SOAR, protected in many situations, opened doors for ministry and strengthened us in hard times. We remain dependent on our faithful God to guide us into SOAR's future. *"It is the Lord who goes before you. He will be with you...Deuteronomy 31:8a* **To Him be the glory!**



Taking Hope to needy children



This Christmas, SOAR will again take *Stuff A Stocking* to precious orphans and other at risk kids in Russia and Abkhazia. We are also planning to take Stockings/Bibles into Moldova and Ukraine for Ukrainian refugee kids!!



At each distribution our team will share the wonderful Christmas story of God's Son, Jesus who came to lay down His life for them. Need more info? Go to www.stuffastocking.org.



Pray for the youth of Abkhazia



Our SOAR partners in Abkhazia, Roma and Alyona again held a Bible camp for youth with special needs along with their caregivers in October. Lives were changed and joy was evident!! Roma and Alyona will hold another youth camp in December and 100 kids have already signed up, so please pray for this fabulous outreach.



God's Protection & Provision for Dick

In March Dick developed A Flutter (heart) and was medivaced to Anchorage where his condition was resolved with a cardio version. During a subsequent angiogram, the catheter went flat (rare). A 2nd heart surgeon was called in who had experience with this life-threatening situation. After six attempts, the Dr. retrieved it but all the trauma of that put Dick into ICU for two days. God was our **VERY present** help in time of trouble (Psalm 46). Every day is a gift! He is now going to cardio rehab to build back his heart's strength. SOAR staff Wendell & Heather Garrison were with me in Anchorage as we navigated Dick's 11 days of hospitalization! We will never forget their kindness and the love of family & friends when we returned home!!

Another Story of God's Great Mercy

God protected Scott (son) and Stephanie during a serious car accident when a driver ran a red light and T-boned them (totaling their truck). Steph, who was nearly 9 months pregnant, was rushed by ambulance to the hospital and Maggie Mercy was born just a few hours later on February 11th.



Doctors confirm she is a miracle. They chose Mercy as her middle name to remind them of God's great merciful hand of protection in sparing all three of their lives that night. Nothing is too small for His care...We thank Him who is Immanuel, for being **VERY present** that night.

Blessings Abound

Baby Josephine arrived on November 12th to Kevin (son) & Rebecca who live in Youngsville, NC. We can't wait to meet her. We now have 16 grandchildren and are so grateful to God!



Give thanks to the Lord **FOR HE IS GOOD**
for His steadfast love endures forever. Ps. 136:1

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We wish you a Christ-centered Christmas
that exalts Him through the season!!

Our love,

Dick and Kathy Page