Summer 2023



Family

Moving to a new area and making new friends can be really hard. But, with the hard comes growth, challenges, and experiences that shape us and give us character. It is through the hard that we often draw nearer to God and rely on his direction and will for our lives. Where is God leading our family these days? Read on!



Our youngest, Sadie just graduated from High School. What a stepping stone for her as she heads to Boulder Colorado to attend Auguste Escoffeir School of Culinary Arts this August. She will be taking their Baking and Pastry courses in hoping to one day open her own Bakery and Coffee shop. We are extremely proud of her and continue to ask God to direct her life and bring her closer to Him.

Emily and Phil are in Smithers,

BC. They enjoy the outdoors with biking, hiking, skiing and fishing. They will be here the first part of August for Cy and Shraddha's wedding. We are excited to have everyone here for a few days.





Wedding in August

We are excited to see Cy engaged to Shraddha Davis as they plan an August wedding. They met at Cook Inlet Academy back in 2020. They plan to live in Anchorage for two years as Shraddha finishes her culinary degree and then possibly move back to the Kenai/Soldotna area.

Wendell and I are trying to keep up with all of the changes! We will be "empty nesters" in August which sounds so strange. We plan to embrace it through traveling to churches (local and away) to introduce and promote the ministry of SOAR. We are also hoping to plan trips to Moldova, Russia and Abkhazia (dependent on travel restrictions) to continue building the relationships that SOAR has with our partners in those countries.

Summer Camp

Here in Alaska it is being said that this is the "No Summer" summer. What that exactly means is open to interpretation. However, summer is still going on in Russia and Abkhazia. And you know what summer means! Yes, CAMP! SOAR is assisting the camps that are being held in St. Petersburg, Ryazan and in Abkhazia. Hundreds of children are experiencing the excitement and fun of going to camp and meeting new friends and learning, Jesus is Lord. He is Lord not just at camp but everywhere we go.



You can give to the summer camp fund at this link.

Summer Camp Fund



SOAR's 25th Anniversary

SOAR has had the privilege to come alongside many pastors in Russia and Abkhazia for 25 years. As a result of those partnerships many children and adults have heard the Gospel message of Christ.

SOAR will be holding a celebration event to honor God's faithfulness to SOAR on September 16th at Soldotna Bible Chapel from 6:30pm-8:30pm.

For more information about SOAR follow the link below:

SOAR International Ministries



Prayer Request:

- Sadie moving to Colorado for school
- Cy and Shraddha getting married and moving to Anchorage
- Heather and I becoming empty nesters
- SOAR's summer camp ministry in Russia, Abkhazia, Moldova and Ukraine
- SOAR's building projects in Alaska.
- Additional support for Heather and I



Praises:

- Sadie has graduated from High School
- Shraddha will be joining our family in August

Support the Garrison's here



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



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