

Missionaries to Arctic Canada

The Hollands

January-February 2019

Psalm 147:18a He sendeth out his word, and melteth them;

FURLOUGH 2018:

Praise the Lord we made it back to Norman Wells! The Lord gave us a great trip! We want to thank everyone again for a GREAT furlough!

The last 360 miles were the most challenging. Bumpy with lots of snow and beautiful scenery. Thank you all again for your prayers!



This is what the back of our truck looked like at the end of our journey. SNOW EVERYWHERE!!!

FAMILY NEWS:

Please pray for my parents Bill & Joyce Holland, my father is facing a very serious health condition!

God continues to bless our family with more little people! Gavin & Brittany are expecting baby number two!

MINISTRY UPDATE:

There have been some changes in Norman Wells while we have been away. The town itself has gone through a complete makeover of the town council and a new mayor. The changes have been a positive influence in our little community.

Changes were also made in regards to church services. Some of the people that attended the Sahtu Baptist Church decided to start the Norman Wells Church. This really came as no surprise to us. We knew we had people that did not agree with our stance on the Bible and music. The folks that have started their own service are the transient folks and not the indigenous people of the Sahtu. We were obviously discouraged when we arrived back in Norman Wells when confronted with this challenge. But our God knows all and knew this was going to happen. We have embraced the challenge and remain focused on the task at hand! We have moved our service to Sunday evening at 6:00PM to accommodate the other "church". We do not own the building. The church building is owned by the town so we must share the space. By moving our time and giving the other "church" the 11:00AM slot we hope to minimize the verbal backlash. We had thirteen folks at our first service! Praise the Lord!

AT A GLANCE:

Prayer Requests:

Preparation of hearts to be open to the gospel in the Sahtu NWT.

Pray for spiritual growth

Pray for Bill and Joyce Holland—major health issues for Bill

Unspoken Request

Praises:

Answered prayer

Contacts in the Sahtu

God's provision in our lives

Increased support

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