

Missionary Ministry Assistance Fund Report

A team of nine from Parkway Baptist Church went to **Anchorage, Alaska** to minister to the inner city parks that are located next to government low income housing. We worked with GraceWorks which is part of Global Partnership Ministries. GPS is part of the North American Mission. We went to Anchorage **July 14-20, 2013**.

Our team was assigned to one of the six parks that GraceWorks goes to every week in the summer. We passed out GraceWorks flyers. We met people in the community and looked for service projects. Our project was cleaning up Penland park. We mowed the grass and picked up trash. We looked for residence that could use a bag of groceries. We were able to bless two families with groceries. We held back yard Bible clubs in the park daily and also fed the kids lunch.

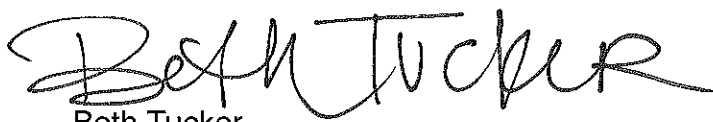
The team as a whole grew closer as we ministered to the children of the park. Each and everyone of us were blessed beyond measure. Our eyes were opened to how complex we make the Gospel. We had one child share the Gospel in 60 seconds to her peers. They listened and learned. Our ultimate goal was to exude Christ in all our actions and begin to plant seeds and water seeds that had already been planted. We did just that!

HOW EFFECTIVENESS WAS MEASURED

- The amount of children we are able to minister to
- Proving a means for follow up with local churches for these children
- Building a mission awareness with each team member

We saw growth as the week progressed. Teenagers started to come and parents came to the Block Party we hosted. Teenagers and parents had not come to many of the functions in the beginning of the summer. Follow up had already started with families that had come the weeks before we arrived. We continued with follow with those families as well and new families. Each team member become greatly aware of the need for people to share Christ with the least of these.

Without the money the Association funded us with, we would not have been able to take all nine team members to Alaska. Thank you for your continued efforts in assisting the churches in our Association.



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