

Missionary Ministry Assistance Fund Report

Name and brief Description of the Project

We went to Anchorage, Alaska and worked with Global Partnership Ministries. The program we worked with was called GraceWorks. Scott Kirby, who heads up Global Partnership Ministries, is part of our North American Mission team.

Describe the Needs being Addressed

Our team from Parkway was broken up into three teams. In the morning we did service projects for the community. Some of our team members worked on two different homes. They scraped the homes and primed them ready for painting. The other team canvassed the area with brochures about VBS in the park. They made cupcakes to give to the firemen at a fire station to thank them for their service, and helped at the senior center. Two of our men taped and mudded the drywall in a closet.

Goals/ Outcomes of Projects

We, as a team, met several times before we went to Anchorage to go over our VBS material. Once we were in Alaska, went to Kanchee Park every afternoon for two plus hours. We played games with the kids, did crafts, sang songs and had our bible lesson and presented a drama. We did not have any decisions, but felt that we prepared the way for the other teams that would come to Kanchee Park the nine weeks after we left.

Brief descriptions

See above section. We also had a block party on Friday night and fed the kids and parents hotdogs, chips and dessert. We were able to talk to several parents that night.

Complete budget

We did several fund raisers. We were able to raise enough money to pay each of the 20 people the \$450 that was needed for our week stay. Each team member paid for their own air fare from Nashville to Anchorage

Church Support

Parkway people supported us in several ways so we were able to go.

How Effectiveness if Measured

I think the best way to measure the effectiveness we had with the kids was what happened one day. We were driving toward the park with the two vans we had. Some kids saw us coming and they started racing toward to park to beat us there. They helped unload the vans. They were so excited to see us and had big grins on their faces.

We may never know the spiritual effectiveness of our trip, but we know that God's word was taught to them. We also gave every child a New Testament.

Signature of Pastor or Church Moderator

Parkway Baptist Church

Smyrna, TN