



Cristo Vive International

Hello Our Dear Friends!

Greetings from Soldotna, a place where we are experiencing the majesty of our Lord and the glory of His presence. He is amazing in every way all the time. Psalm 72:18,19 "Praise the Lord God, the God of Israel, who alone does such wonderful things. Praise His glorious name forever! Let the whole earth be filled with his glory. Amen and amen!"

Wow, it doesn't get any better than that! It is our prayer that today as you read this note from us that you be inspired to lift up your voice and heart to God and praise Him for His part in your life as well. He is doing awesome works through and in your life, yes, even in the middle of the storm you may be experiencing. If in fact you are

dealing with personal and challenging difficulties, we are praying with and for you, He is the God who cares for you and has promised through the ages to be with you and knows what is happening in your place.



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Where does Cristo Vive International operate?

Conroe, TX

RGV, TX

Harpster, ID

Soldotna, AK

Cuenca, Guayguil, and Quito, Ecuador

Coming in June 2018

Iquitos, Peru!

Happening in Soldotna, Alaska

Here in Soldotna, Alaska the hustle and bustle of busyness has not subsided. We held two simultaneous fundraisers here and made some awesome connections in the community as well as raised some needed funds to support the camp here for this year. It was a very successful weekend. Thanks so much for our local team who has worked hard to get it together. We will end the month of October through a mission conference in Homer, 28-30 Oct. As we move into the next month we are preparing for a couple of really cool things that has our community connecting well with the ministry. On Nov 9, the SPEAK (Special Parents Encouraging Amazing Kids) Parent Support Group is hosting a community wide resource fair for families dealing with disabilities in their homes. This event is being widely publicized through media outlets near us and we are praying for a great turn out to increase our footprint in the area. About a week later we will be hosting a "Parents Night Off" event for families to drop off their disabled children for the evening, so they can have a bit of a respite as parents. Both events seem to be a great opportunity for us to connect to families to increase our camper base for the local camp in the winter.

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And Our Camps around the States

Our teams in Idaho, Texas, and Ecuador are working diligently to prepare for future outreaches in their areas as well. The busy pace never halts as our leaders are fully engaged in reaching their communities for the Gospel. The next developing outreach is Peru, and we are in full swing to get things in place to get that together to meet expectations for the local needs as well as doing what we believe God has inspired us to do. The two of us (Gene and Jordana) are traveling to Peru on Nov 30th for a 6-day whirlwind trip to have an on the ground perspective of the needs for support and viability in order for the outreach to be carried out next June. We have been in open discussions with David Pepper, the director of Amazon Outreach, as we prepare for the trip. While we are there in December, we will have some time to share messages and encounters with some of the pastors and leaders there to insure we will come in June fully aware of any support needs. If you are able to assist us in this journey, we are still in need of some finances to contribute to this trip. Currently we need about \$1000.00 to add to our personal ability to fund the travel expenses. So, if you would like to share with us to make this happen better, we dearly welcome your help. Thanks to those of you who have already joined us in this endeavor. We are actively recruiting to get team members for the full team mission trip in June 2018 and would love to take you along. Please connect with us if you have any desire or thoughts about being with us in Peru.

Family News

We are doing well spiritually and physically, busy as ever but inspired to keep with God's charge all the way. Ben is excited to have his 12th birthday this month. He planned to have a big gift to celebrate his near entry to teenage-hood by asking for a remake of his bedroom, so, together we repainted some of his room and put together a loft bed with décor reminding him every day of being a great fan of the NE Patriots. He always amazes us through his wit and ambitions. Jordana is very busy at school and is leading an awareness endeavor for the school district through the "Blindness Awareness" month here on the peninsula. She has different school administrators competing in "Goal Ball" (Google to find out what it is) to enable them to show off to the community. It has been fun watching her and seeing the publicity it brings to the district through newspapers and radio.

As I close this note, it truly is our desire that you find today to be filled with God's joy in your lives in everything you find yourselves doing. May the fullness of God's outflow through His Spirit bring you to a great place of enrichment and blessings, so much so, that you can't help but be generous to your neighbors and family. As we have shared in the past few letters, we are seeing God's call on this ministry to grow which takes all of us to get it done. So, this month as you determine your part please prayerfully consider what this looks like in your friendship and partnership with Cristo Vive International. Let us know how we can assist you in connecting financially to joining us in this calling.

Loving Him with all our Heart, Soul, and Strength and loving you too,

Gene & Jordana

Mission of CVI

To provide children and youth with disabilities and their families an opportunity to experience the love of God and faith in Christ through a fun and engaging camp experience.

Vision of CVI

To create opportunities which will inspire participants to respond to the message of God's love and delight in them and lead them to a genuine experience with Jesus as Lord and Savior.