

Boettcher's Airmail

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God's Perfect Timing

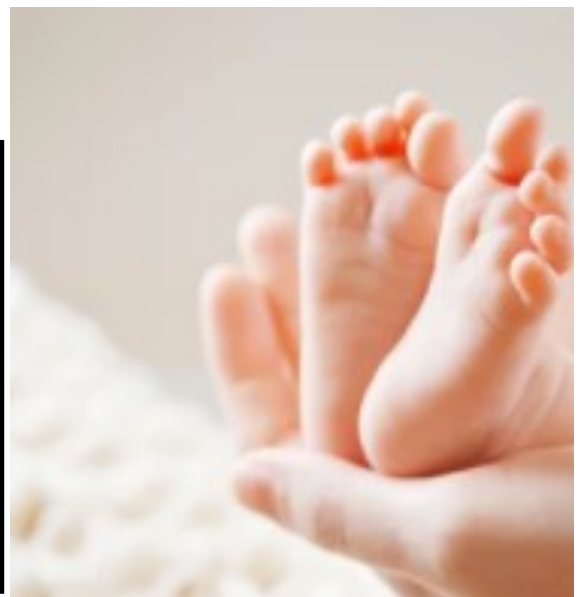
Our director, Becky, has been putting much effort into helping our center get found more easily through online searches. It has consumed much of her time and she is learning a great deal! All this effort is paying off, in that more patients who need our services are hearing about them. Just this last week, we had a young woman make an appointment for a pregnancy test. I usually start an appointment by simply asking what brought them in and let them share a little of their story. She explained that she had intended to go to Planned Parenthood that day to have an abortion. She was unable to get an appointment locally but was willing to make the three hour drive to Anchorage to get one. Before leaving, she had decided to check online to see if she could find any closer options. Thankfully, she found us! She could get a verification of pregnancy through us and possibly an ultrasound to find out how far along she was. I assured her she was in just the right place. I was able to do an ultrasound with her and her boyfriend that brought tears to her eyes. She asked a multitude of questions about the beating heart on the screen, and the little arms and legs that were moving about. She was so open to all the medical information, and I was able to share with her about different resources in our community to support her and her boyfriend on this journey. She stated that they believe there is a God, but were not interested in spiritual things. However, before they left, I offered to pray for them and she said "Yes!" I have not seen that young woman since that day, but I pray for her often!! This is one of the hardest parts of this ministry. We often do not know the end of the story. But sometimes God brings them back, so we can continue to minister to them. Pray along with us that God may continue to touch her heart and that of her boyfriend.

The very next day, a mother called in for her young daughter. They also found us through the internet. It was a Friday and we don't normally take walk-ins on Fridays. However, after spending quite a while talking with the mother, I assured her we could see her that day. She was so grateful. The mother and her daughter arrived just a few hours later. I was able to talk with this young, pregnant woman who was not planning on having a baby and not even sure she ever wanted kids. But after talking with her and seeing a little heartbeat at just 6 weeks, she stated she felt so much better. She has since told her boyfriend about the baby. He is supportive of her, and they plan to parent this little one together. She is open to coming in and taking some parenting classes with us, and I hope I continue to get glimpses into her continuing story!

We have a new prayer group that allows you to receive a simple text when one of these patients walks into our office and we are meeting with them. It enables you to pray, in real time, while one of our staff is meeting with a patient that is either abortion minded, has miscarried, or that has some other urgent need. We Need Prayer Warriors Like You! If you would like to receive these

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Kako Retreat Center SOS!

This last fall, when we were speaking at our very last church in Entiat, WA, we were approached by a longtime friend of ours, Gordon. He had received an urgent request for help from Kako Retreat Center via email. We were just finishing up our deputation trip across the lower 48 and were due to arrive back in AK in a few days. We were tired and ready to be home, but I really felt the Lord impress upon me that, if at all possible, I needed to try and get out to Kako and help! I started communicating with Dwight, a

good friend from MARC, who I thought would be very helpful out at Kako. He arranged to borrow a Cessna 180 from a friend of his, as well as connected with another willing volunteer, David. Our family arrived back into AK, and that next day, Dwight, David and myself flew out to Kako to help where we could. Kako was very short handed with only the Director, Jonathan and his family, on-site when we arrived. To make matters worse, Jonathan and his family were also sick and unable to do much of anything. Freeze-up was fast approaching the area and we had a few major tasks to complete. The generator and avgas supply was at critical levels and we needed to get enough fuel brought up from the Yukon river via ATV to sustain the camp until the fuel truck could be driven on the frozen mud. As you can see in the picture on the right, it was a very messy and cold job, but we got it accomplished. The second critical job was transporting two pieces of recently purchased equipment up from the river to the Bible Camp. We needed to bring a road grader (needed for plowing the runway) and an excavator up the muddy six-mile road. This was an interesting job as the grader could not travel by itself and needed to be chained up to Kako's D6 Caterpillar much of the way. Dwight and David graciously took on this job, while I was in charge of bringing up the 50,000 lb excavator to camp. There were a few drainages and ditches that needed fixing along the way, but let me tell you, traveling six miles in an excavator is a slow, bumpy ride! We were also able to work on a few other projects they needed help with. By the time we headed out, the Director and his family were feeling better and the fuel supplies were bolstered... for the time being. Having lived and worked at Kako it was helpful to know my way around the facilities when the director was so sick. We are thankful that we were able to be a blessing to Kako in a time of need. It is amazing how much a body of believers can get accomplished when they come together!



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