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LOCATIONS AND DATES:

San Jeronimo, Honduras-

Jan. 16-23, 2019

Moloka'l, Hawaii-

Feb 16-23, 2019

San Jeronimo, Honduras-

Jul 18-25, 2018

Craig, Alaska (wk 1)-

Jul 7-14, 2018

Craig, Alaska (wk 2)-

Jul 14-21, 2018

Metlakatla, Alaska (wk 1)-

Jul 14-21, 2018

Metlakatla, Alaska (wk 2)-

Jul 21-28, 2018

Nairobi, Kenya-

Dec 1-8, 2018



<u>a new year with new goals.</u>

This year as an organization one of our goals is to be able to put out more information to keep people up to date with The Isaiah Connection and what is going on. Such as our goals, prayer requests, team specifics, specific donation needs, new site locations and lots of other great information!

A little meaning behind the name...

IC4u was developed because we are wanting to create an opportunity to bring more information about the Isaiah Connection to you and others.

- I- Isaiah
- C- Connection
- 4- for
- **u** you

So far this year...

As an organization this year we have had many great things happening thus far— and we are only into February!

- -60+ participants signed up to join us in the field this year.
- -Craig and Metlakatla, Alaska will have three weeks due so much interest. Yay!
- -Come mid May the Isaiah Connection will be moving to AZ to further make an impact throughout the world!
- -There are a few potential site locations that we want to send scouting teams into the field in order to figure out logistics for being able to take a full team here soon.

DONATION OPTIONS

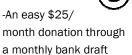
Donations can come in many forms but all are helpful...

Interested?- Check out some options and get started today!

-Amazon Smile



-PayPal



-Sponsor a child, team member, or a village

As we are a 501 (c) 3 all donations are tax deductible!

HELP WANTED: Through this process of putting out our bi-monthly newsletters we would love your help testing out interactive links within IC4u. As well as hearing your feedback on what you want to see in a future newsletters!



Ready or not- 2018, a brand new year is now upon us.... One that will be full of many great things.

-Where in your life is God wanting you to take a leap of faith?

Is it related to a job situation, fixing a relationship, giving something up, or taking on a task that is beyond your comfort zone? No matter what 'that' thing is, God is ready to catch you as you take a leap towards drawing closer to Him. As a new year comes and goes faster than we want, don't let this year end without taking a leap of faith to being closer to God!

PERSONAL Participant Quote Corner

"Be <u>fearless</u>
in the pursuit
of what sets
your soul on
fire."

-unknown

(Lynnea H.-AK)



BEEN IN THE FIELD BEFORE-

If you have ever been in the field with The Isaiah Connection we need your help with providing a review of your experience.

Submit review on Short Term Missions here-



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2018 GOALS

- More Participants
- More Sites Opening
- More Monthly Donors
- Have 25+ people write a review on Short Term Missions about their experience

OUR FEATURED PARTICIPANT...

Name: Bethany A. Traveled from: New York Site & Year Participated: Craig, AK. – 2017

The Isaiah Connection: What it Means to Me

"And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here I am! Send me." -Isaiah 6:8

Going is our calling. Going is scary. Going is uncomfortable. Going is rewarding.

Since I can remember, I've wanted to travel to spread the love of Jesus. As a Bible College student and athlete, there was no better time than the present. How would I get money? Was traveling alone across the country safe? How was I supposed to know if the people I was going with were not crazy? I didn't. But God did. Going was my calling.

Boarding a plane an hour from home in Scranton, Pennsylvania, I was already second guessing my decision to join The Isaiah Connection on mission to Craig, Alaska. Alaska didn't seem far away until the flight attendant pointed out my crazy itinerary. Keeping track of the group's travels via Facebook along my journey, I also realized I was the only one who hadn't met other team members on the way. I spent most of my travel time second guessing this decision. Going was scary.

When I disembarked in Ketchikan, Alaska, things were quite like a whirlwind. I was meeting unfamiliar faces as we were making last minute preparations, ensuring we had all the supplies and groceries we would need, and then we boarded the ferry to Craig. I was thankful for a few hours to rest and make every attempt at avoiding eye contact with these perfect strangers I'd eventually learn to call family. And once again, as soon as we were off the ferry, there were more unfamiliar faces. For transport from the terminal to the Craig Church of God,



DID YOU KNOW?

The Isaiah Connection has been around since 2001?

That's right we have been established for 17 years now.

This year we have 65 people on the books to participate in the field and we have only sent out one team so far.

AMAZING...we are praying to have many more sign up by the end of the year.

Sent out two teams so far! With six great teams to still go into the field!

I was in the back seat of a fifteen-passenger van between four people who I didn't know their names and they didn't know mine. Throughout the weekend and week, I was put in positions of leadership, asked to speak in public, and asked many difficult questions. As an introvert, none of these situations were in the norm, but being stretched by God is not always easy. Going was uncomfortable.

Spending a week in Craig, Alaska has by far been the best decision of my life. During basketball camp I was able to share a love of the game with dozens of children, while teaching them the value of a relationship with God. Vacation Bible School provided an opportunity to reach even more kids with biblical knowledge and to connect with families who could continue growing their faith even after we'd be gone. Free time allowed us to really get to know some kids and families on a personal level. From dock jumping, sightseeing, skateboarding, arts and crafts, or simple walks to the shoreline, it was so humbling to realize how much a bit of time means to the people we were there to serve. Even deeper than that, though, the bonds that were created among the team were (and are) lifelong friendships. I gained a family in Craig. Some are still there, others are around the country from Tennessee to Colorado, Minnesota, and Hawai'i. I learned lessons from five-year olds and sixty-five-year old's. I signed the paperwork to participate with The Isaiah Connection's mission in Craig, so I could give my love to a village that needed it. Little did I know, I would be on the receiving end of more gifts than I'd ever be able to give. Going was, and continues to be, rewarding.

If I could say no other thing, it would simply be to go. Have an Isaiah attitude; your God is much bigger than your comfort zone.

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