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Dear friend,

It was their first year taking a Youth Mission Trip to Klemtu. My hope was “all would go smoothly; they would gain experience and confidence for future trips”

God had other plans.

***Disciple-Making
Among
First Nations People
Matthew 28:19-20***



Let me say at the outset, things turned out great. But did they go according to plan? Not even a little bit. It started well, meeting with the Youth pastor almost a year in advance to begin planning and training. Then he got called up to active duty as a Reservist in the Navy.

Thankfully, two parents of some of the teens stepped up and took on the challenge of leading the team. Their willingness brought fresh energy, but it also meant a few scheduling adjustments—which, in turn, created some confusion with our use of the hall in Klemtu. When we finally arrived, we

discovered that the hall we normally rely on for most of our ministries was already occupied. Ugh! Where would we meet now? Prayers went up quickly as we searched for a solution.

Community members stepped in. Not only did they secure use of the school gym for our team, they also upgraded the team’s housing to a better option. Thank you, Lord.

So, the children’s ministries happened as planned but in the new location. Youth ministries never really got off the ground until the final night.

In the end, I believe it happened the way God wanted. The community received the team warmly. They want the Church to return next year and already began planning on how it can be done in an even better way. Community buy-in is so important to what we do. The Lord graciously provided for that as well.

I’ve left out plenty of other details and challenges along the way. But the new team did get their feet wet in Klemtu ministry, gaining valuable experience. And every one of the teens is eager to return, which is always a good sign. And most importantly, the Gospel was shared and relationships established.

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God has ways of accomplishing our good and well intended goals in His good and better way.

Working with summer teams is an important part of our varied ministry. Being the 'Community Pastor' is another role. In the end, a wedding came up that wasn't anticipated in advance. So Karen left with the team to return home. I stayed on for an extra week and officiated the wedding. As I write this, I just returned home a couple of weeks ago from an unexpected funeral trip to lay to rest a very good friend and head Hereditary Chief, Charlie Mason. He and his wife, Edna, have been long time friends, having included us in a family supper our very first night we moved to Klemtu 33 years ago.

Thank you for your faithful support and prayers. Together, Jesus keeps being brought to the people of Klemtu and beyond.

Blessings,

Scott and Karen

Prayer Request

This year we have a wonderful opportunity to boost our ministry funds with NAIM through a generous matching grant from a Foundation. We have raised \$4000 towards our goal of raising \$12,000. Every new gift or additional gift you give above your normal giving will be matched. Please pray and ask God how you might help.

