

February 26, 2009

Dear Pastor,

Each of the ten conferences in the Evangelical Covenant Church has decided to partner with the Alaska Region to support at least one of the bush village churches. Each conference will support this church thru prayer and by doing/completing projects each summer with mission team(s).

Last April at our Midwest Conference Annual Meeting we announced we will partner with Mountain Village Covenant Church of Mt Village, Alaska. Pastor Carl Elwood is requesting 2 mission teams for this summer to help construct a 20x20 building to be used by his church and as a community outreach. This building will be used as a place to repair snow machines and ATV's in the village; there is no other enclosed facility to do this kind of work. This will give this congregation an opportunity to reach out to their neighbors and meet an important need for the whole community. We can help make a powerful statement of God's love to our partner village, by showing that we care enough to not only purchase the supplies for the project, but also construct it with our mission teams.

We believe the cost of this project will be about \$38,000. This would include: the building supplies, the travel expense for 12 team members from our conference to Soldotna AK (where the mission teams are gathered to fly into the bush) and the food, lodging and transportation of the teams to travel for their week in Mountain Village working on the construction of the building. We need six people with some knowledge of construction or remodeling. It would be ideal to have an electrician with each team. In addition we would need at least 1 woman on each team to relate to the pastor's wife and the women and children of the village as well. More importantly, we need people with servant's hearts and some skills.

We are looking to receive a response from each of conference church by March 27<sup>th</sup>. Let us know of your willingness to support this partnership with prayer, with finances and also we need to hear from those who are interested in joining one of the teams. The trips will be taking place in July and the first half of August, 2009.

Questions can be directed to me (see the email address below) or the conference office toll-free (888-871-3020 or [midcovcon@qwestoffice.net](mailto:midcovcon@qwestoffice.net).) Please help us as a conference of churches take ownership in this important mission.

God Bless,  
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