

Arctic Hope in Greenland”
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A Vision that changed my life!!

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John 16:33 These things I have spoken unto you, that in me you might have peace. In the world you shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

Acts 14:22 Confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.

Matthew 16:24 Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.

Luke 14:27 And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple.

Matthew 5:45 That you may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he makes his sun to rise on the evil and on the good and sends rain on the just and on the unjust.

Matthew 7:14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leads unto life, and few there be that find it.

GREETINGS EVERYONE,

So much has happened since the last update & we have been so busy traveling we have not been able to send an update until now.

We are home now in Qasigiannuit and again have internet, so we can send an update. Greenland is not like the USA where you have good internet everywhere.

OUR BAPTISM IN THE LAKE

It has been nearly 7 years of laboring for Christ in the Country of Greenland. In these years of toil we are seeing a little fruit from our labor. We baptized 2 people and one other was baptized last year.

The 2 that we baptized last month gave their lives to the Lord last year and have grown a little. If you didn't know, there are only 56,000 people in all of Greenland & only 1000 people in our town/village. We thank the Lord for the few (Matt 7:14)

It's a religious culture here, meaning that their culture overrides the Word of God. So when you teach the true Word of God it comes in conflict with their culture, when you are in conflict with their culture, they feel you are attacking their way of life, their tradition, kind of like Christ did. Greenlandic people believe that baptism is what saves them, and doing good works, it's part of their culture. Christ has redeemed us through His blood on the cross, He paid the price.

OUR NORTHERN TRIP

The Lord was gracious in the baptisms as well as our northern trip making everything go relatively smooth and saving us from several disasters. Here in the northern Atlantic Seas anything can happen, more on all that later in is update.

Our plan was to travel to a village, show "The Passion of the Christ," then stay and teach His Word, but due to issues that happened before we left, we lost a few weeks. When we finally left, we went to a village called Ukkusissat, we did get to show the film and with Ian and Solveig helping with the translation of the film, it went very well. The whole trip took about a week, then we had to leave to get Ian back for school.

Overall it was a blessing and a success. One lady's heart was moved and we pray that the Lord will work in her heart to truly commit her life to Christ.

We had a little less time than we had planned this year and will do a few things a little differently on the next northern trip. Ukkusissat is a village of about 150 people, we are told, and we posted flyers around town. But next time we are going door to door to invite the townspeople to hear the Word of God and to watch the film. Also we found a few other born again believers that are more seasoned in their walk with Christ without school restrictions like Ian has, which hopefully gives us a larger window of travel next year.

OTHER VILLAGES

We have decided to visit some local villages about 6 hours away in the same way as our northern trips before and after our yearly northern trip, if the Lord permits. We need a couple more people that can get off work and will take the time to serve the Lord because Solveig & I cannot handle the boat by ourselves, it's just too big, and logistics involved need helping setting up for the film, teaching and translating. Also we will plan to continue our Bible studies in-between our village trips.

HOW IT ALL HAPPENED

Now the story as it happened. We left 3 weeks later than planned to go north, and this is why. As I was helping Ian's dad ferry his boat from Denmark to Greenland, we also started a few weeks late, and if you remember from the last update, I had to get off the boat in the Faroe Islands because of my neck. It's fine now.

But before I left for Denmark I gave instructions at the boatyard where “Qaamaneq” (Our Boat) was in dry dock, personally, on how to install a new chain/anchor winch, so when I returned to the boat yard to pick up the boat, it would be ready.

Solveig & I returned about 3 weeks later and they didn’t do any work at all. So then I give them instructions AGAIN with hopes to be finished in a few days. 2 days later I went back to find that the electrician had drilled 1/2 inch holes in 5 different places with no success, to bring 2 big wires from the engine area to the front of the boat where he was going to mount the winch. Then I saw that he drilled a hole right into the fuel tank and diesel fuel had flowed onto the galley floor. Now not only is the winch not installed, we now have a HOLE in our FUEL TANK!!!!!!!!!!!! I stopped all the work and now it takes another 4 days to fix the hole and put the boat in the water.

Thank the Lord we found a great electrician in a town 4 hours north to do the work but he couldn’t start until the next week. We finally got there and because he was so busy it took him a week to finish the job. Now we are a few weeks behind schedule and Ian asked if we were going to cancel the baptism, I said NO WAY!!!! So we went home then 2 days later did the baptism, went back home again, then left the next day for our northern trip.

We had to go back and forth from our house to the boat maybe 10 times or so with supplies like, bedding, food, boat tools, water jugs and much more. We left at 6:30 pm to fuel up then start heading north and I’m not even sure what day that was, all I know is that we were weeks late.

The trip heading north went fine, no issues at all. We stayed at the dock the first night, then in the morning we moved the boat to anchor in their bay. What I didn’t know is that the bottom was not sand as we were told, it was hard clay.

Then sometime around 8 pm the wind picked up to about 40 knots and the boat anchor didn’t hold. Without going into too much detail, the boat was blowing as we worked hard to keep her from hitting a shallow reef, then the anchor got wedged on a big rock. The new winch was working great but the anchor also slipped off the bow roller then went to the side of the boat. Anyway after about 45 minutes or more we finally got control.

Now after all that we had to dock the boat on a small dock in 35 to 40 knot winds, thank the Lord He gave me the skills to dock the boat in such conditions.

THE TRIP HOME

On the trip home the weather report was great, smooth as we left, 15 knot winds ½ way there, then smooth after that. Well, the smooth part was right, but the wind part was wrong. It wasn’t 15 knot winds it was 38 or more with 6 ft waves and bigger. Then half way into the bad winds the anchor lifted off the bow and now the 120 lbs anchor was slamming into the bow and side of the boat. It took about 30 minutes in this bad weather to re-secure the anchor, which was a very dangerous operation, but the lord gave us grace and helped us make it happen.

OVERALL IT WAS A GREAT TRIP!!!!

Thank you all for your prayers & support May God bless you and give you hope in Christ Jesus through His Word.

Daniel & Solveig

PRAYER NEEDS

1. Thank you Lord for our northern trip success
2. Thank you Lord for the baptism
3. Solveig & I and our marriage and ministry
4. To visit local villages within 6 hours of our town to share Christ
5. A crew to help us with the local trips
6. Up and coming Bible Studies to change lives with a commitments to Christ
7. The door stays open for our October visit to the USA (3 months)
8. The door stays open for our return to Greenland
9. To have the time to take care of all the medical issue while in the USA

We return to the USA from Oct. 6 thru Dec. 26 this year Lord willing