



“The Northern Light” - Iceland News
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Since my last letter, we have had two successful outreach programs. The Thanksgiving outreach program brought in a lot of guests. I was happy to see almost everyone in our English ministry try to reach a family. Their efforts resulted in over 100 people at Thanksgiving dinner. I had the joy of preaching the gospel to many of them who had never heard it presented clearly. The Christmas outreach on December 18th to the Icelandic-speaking population in Iceland (photo to the left) was also a big success. There were over 35 children involved in the play and choir. Each child had a parent, grandparent, cousin, or friend in attendance also. A big snowstorm hit right when we began the program. It was an adventure getting home. I was able to share the gospel with many guests in attendance. It was so encouraging to see the kids staring out the windows waiting for their parents, siblings, and friends to come and watch them in the production. They escorted each of their guests to their seats with pride. God used this play to touch hearts; I am sure of that! Vicki wrote and directed the play. She also led the children’s choir. It was lots of work, but a huge success and blessing. Thank you for praying for us as we minister over the coming months through both the English-speaking ministry as well as the Icelandic-speaking ministry.

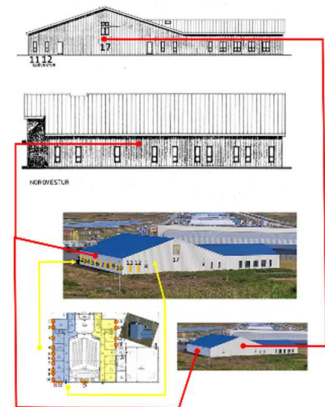
“Greenland is ice and Iceland is green.” If I’ve heard it once, I’ve heard it a thousand times! Iceland is certainly greener than Greenland in the summer, but in the winter, Iceland is frozen. The photo to the right was taken on the 1st of January. We have been buried in snow for a month with 12-foot drifts around our house. Sadly, we had to cancel all of our end-of-the-year and New Year’s services due to in-climate weather. Sunday, January 8th, was our first regular service since December 18th. Sunday, January 15th, was our first day running the bus. We hadn’t been able to hold children’s church since the Christmas program on December 18th. On the bright side, the bad weather was a blessing in disguise. Instead of driving to sightsee and visit during our kid’s return home, we were stuck in the house playing games, drinking hot chocolate, and just having family fun talking. It was a big blessing. Now that we are back to church services as normal, we are also visiting each week. Walking on ice takes a special skill. Falling is not fun, but I usually take a spill or almost spill each time I go visiting. I fell on Christmas Eve and bruised my ribs. You ask me, “How?” Well, not in the snow or on ice. Ironically, I was using a chair for a stool to get a curtain down, and one of the legs broke. I fell on the back of the chair on my chest/ribcage left side. It was a rough couple of weeks, but I am almost back to 100%. I exercised for the first time today since the day of the fall and am feeling much better. Thank you for praying for us as we minister through the winter months.



All of my kids (plus 1) came home for Christmas! We were snowed in the entire time. The photo to the left was taken next to our home. The drifts behind us were over 12 feet tall. We did a lot of shoveling of snow during their visit. The weather delayed their flights from the 18th to the 22nd. We were honored to have Dylan, who is courting Rosa, visit also. We said our goodbyes on December 30th. Thank you for praying for our kids as they are adults in college and seeking to find God’s will for their lives.

Vicki and I are currently working hard on planning for June summer camp as well as preparing for when in July a large group from Morningside Baptist Church, in Greenville, SC, will come to help us with some major projects. Vicki is also working very hard to cut through all the red tape necessary to establish a Christian school in Iceland. As for me, the next four winter months are dedicated to Bible translation work. I have four months to focus on this work as my main project outside of day-to-day ministry.

Project 2023: “Let there be light.” There are 17 windows paid for and on order! The interior of the building was completed and passed inspection last year. Now, God miraculously provided funds for the 17 windows (photo right). They are on order and will most likely arrive in May/June. We are very excited to see these windows installed this summer. Thank you for praying as we press on in the work in Iceland.



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