# **ALASKA** Partnership Project Request List -2025

# **Baptists on Mission**

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# **OUTREACH MINISTRIES**

# AK25-002 Children's Ministry/Community Outreach

Whittier, AK

Teams are needed to assist local church is doing outreach in unique Alaskan community. Whittier is on the beautiful Passage Canal coast and accessible only through a two and a half mile bimodal (train and automobile) tunnel that cuts through the mountains about 60 miles south of Anchorage. Most of the town's population live in one 14 story "high rise" building — hence the nickname "the town under one roof". Team leader will work with the requestor to plan activities, which may include Backyard Bible Club, sports camp, family night outreach, retail evangelism, outreach to cruise ship arrivals, etc. Team will stay in the town school facilities in classrooms. The school has bathrooms and showers that the team can use, as well as kitchen facilities. There is no "set" cost for this, but do be prepared to give them a "love offering" for use of the facilities (Suggestion is at least \$50 per person for the week). Note: Teams working with children and youth will be responsible for conducting professional background checks on all members over the age of 18. Team leader will be sent information from BOM concerning options for this.

Length of assignment: One week

Preferred Dates: Summer 2025 (flexible)

Costs: Travel to AK, food and ministry supplies

#### AK25-005 Christmas Vacation Bible School

Moose Creek, AK

A team will have the unique opportunity to experience Alaska in the wintertime! Knowing that they will have a "captive" audience, church wants to hold Vacation Bible School during Christmas break. Anticipated as many s 30 children. Activities will be held in the church building and will include all of the regular VBS offerings — Bible story, music, crafts, snacks, and recreation. Will need adventurous volunteers willing to brave the Alaskan winter experience! Team could stay in the church facility — but will likely be much more comfortable staying in church member homes during the winter. Requestor can discuss this, as well as the need for team to bring VBS materials. Team could rent vehicle in Fairbanks — or, since winter, host church may be able to pick up the team and transport to Moose Creek.

Note: Teams working with children and youth will be responsible for conducting professional background checks on all members over the age of 18. Team leader will be sent information from BOM concerning options for this.

Length of assignment: One week

Preferred Dates: December 27-January 3, 2025/26 (VBS held Dec 29-Jan 2)

Costs: Travel to AK, food and ministry supplies

# **CAMP MINISTRY**

#### AK25-003 Camp Construction and Maintenance

Soldotna, Alaska

Teams are needed to assist with construction, renovation, maintenance, and/or landscaping projects at a Christian camp. Tasks may include remodeling, new construction, framing, welding, electrical, painting, plumbing, roofing, drywall, tree removal, trail maintenance, vehicle maintenance, and more. Need those with various construction, renovation, maintenance and repair skills. Camp director will work with team leader to determine team's tasks for the week. Camp will provide materials for the projects. Unless team wants personalized tools, all equipment will be provided. Team can stay at the camp. Showers available. Meals will be provided at the camp at a cost of \$125 per person for the week. Transportation to and from the airport can be provided if needed. Note: Team will be responsible for conducting professional background checks on all team members over the age of 18. Team leaders will be sent information concerning options for this.

Length of Assignment: 6-10 days

Preferred Dates: June to September 2025 Costs: Travel to Alaska, food cost AK25-008 Trail Clearing Teams Wasilla, Alaska

Teams are needed to assist in trail clearing and construction at state Baptist camp. The camp would like to extend a trail along the lake edge and then make a loop to encompass a large portion of the camp property to create a skiing, fat-bike, and running course. Would require the use of chainsaws and other land-clearing tools. Team may need to rent some heavy equipment, which can be done locally. Camp director can talk with team leader about this Team should bring some personal tools relevant to the job; camp has many tools onsite but not a fully equipped workshop; and/or tool rental is available within minutes of the camp. Team can stay at the camp and be provided meals for \$45 per person per night. Transportation to and from the airport can be provided by the camp if needed. Team may also want to consider renting a vehicle if they want to do site seeing at the end of each day.

Length of Assignment: 5-7 days

Preferred Dates: Spring, Summer, or Fall of 2025

Costs: Travel to AK, \$45/night for lodging and food, possible equipment rental

#### AK25-009 Camp Waterfront Rehab

Wasilla, Alaska

A team is needed to assist in doing a camp waterfront rehab at state Baptist camp. The camp has an approximately 50' beach waterfront on the 125 acre Kalmbach Lake. Previously, this beach has been replenished with sand periodically and was installed with an underlayment to prevent the sand from entering the body of the lake. It has since been realized that the design is flawed and continued use and replenishment of sand will have a harmful effect on the lake, over time. Camp would like to install a wooden retaining wall (or other suitable material) across the front edge of the beach area to contain the sand away from direct contact with the water's edge and refill the beach sand behind the retaining wall. Camp also wants to extend the waterfront by an additional 50' Camp would need team to help with cost of the project. Materials for this project are estimated to cost \$3000-4000 for wood beams, crushed gravel, rebar, and miscellaneous materials, heavy equipment rental for tree and brush removal and preparation of shoreline for sand installation. Materials can be purchased and delivered or picked up at local home centers. Team should bring some personal tools relevant to the job; camp has many tools onsite but not a fully equipped workshop; and/or tool rental is available within minutes of the camp. Team can stay at the camp and be provided meals for \$45 per person per night. Transportation to and from the airport can be provided by the camp if needed. Team may also want to consider renting a vehicle if they want to do site seeing at the end of each day.

Length of Assignment: 5-7 days

Preferred Dates: May or August 2025 (not during camp season)

Costs: Travel to AK, \$45/night for lodging and food, possible equipment rental and materials cost

#### AK25-010 Native Alaskan Camp Support Team

Wasilla, Alaska

State Baptist Camp is looking for a church to provide 10-12 adult leaders (and if desired, another 10-12 responsible young people) for an Alaska Native Youth Camp (middle and high school). This is an overnight camp for Indigenous Alaska Natives. The camp is seeking a church with a heart for at-risk teens who come from a non-Anglo culture. Team will be taught by local native and experienced leadership, who will also serve as the camp pastors and plan the activities for the week, along with members of the mission team. The week's activities will include many of the typical camp experiences, but also incorporate Native Alaskan crafts, activities, and social/cultural perspectives. This is a great scenario for a team who would like to plug in to such an endeavor without having to be 100% responsible for the content and activities. Lots of details, but camp director can work with team leader to have team completely prepared. Team can stay at the camp and be provided meals for \$45 per person per night. Transportation to and from the airport can be provided by the camp if needed. Team may also want to consider renting a vehicle if they want to do site seeing at the end of each day.

Length of Assignment: 5-7 days

Preferred Dates: May 24-31, 2025 (not flexible)

Costs: Travel to AK, \$45/night for lodging and food

#### AK25-011 Youth Camp Support Team

Wasilla, Alaska

State Baptist Camp is looking for a church to provide 10-12 adult leaders (and if desired, another 10-12 responsible young people) for an overnight Youth Camp (middle and high school). The camp is seeking a church with a heart for reaching young people – some churched, some unchurched. The Hatcher Pass Baptist Association provides a camp pastor and small leadership team who plan the activities for the week, along with members of the mission team. Cabin chaperones and small group leaders are the primary needs for this camp. Team should be comprised of fairly equal male/female ratio This is a great scenario for a team who would like to plug in to such an endeavor without having to be 100% responsible for the content and activities. Lots of details, but camp director can work with team leader to have team completely prepared. Team can stay at the camp and be provided meals for \$45 per person per

night. Transportation to and from the airport can be provided by the camp if needed. Team may also want to consider renting a vehicle if they want to do site seeing at the end of each day.

Length of Assignment: 5-7 days

Preferred Dates: June 14-21, 2025 (not flexible)

Costs: Travel to AK, \$45/night for lodging and food

# **CONSTRUCTION**

#### AK25-001a Cabin Renovation for Youth Ministry Center

Whittier, AK

Teams are needed to assist local church in completion of renovation of a cabin for use as a youth ministry center in unique Alaskan community. Whittier is on the beautiful Passage Canal coast and accessible only through a two and a half mile bimodal (train and automobile) tunnel that cuts through the mountains about 60 miles south of Anchorage. Most of the town's population live in one 14 story "high rise" building – hence the nickname "the town under one roof". Team leader will work with the requestor to plan activities, which may include framing, drywall, electrical, plumbing, painting, finish work, etc. Team will stay in the town school facilities in classrooms. The school has bathrooms and showers that the team can use, as well as kitchen facilities. There is no "set" cost for this, but do be prepared to give them a "love offering" for use of the facilities (Suggestion is at least \$50 per person for the week).

[This could be combined with some outreach activities if team desires – AK25-002]

Length of assignment: One week

Preferred Dates: Late Spring/Summer/Early Fall 2025 (flexible)

Costs: Travel to AK, food and supplies

#### AK25-004 Install Wheelchair Lift/ Other Maintenance/Outreach

Kenai, AK

Teams are needed to install a wheelchair lift in church's entryway to allow better ADA access to the worship facility. The exterior ramp is serviceable, except during times with snow and ice (which is often!). There are also other general maintenance projects that are needed around the church. Requestor can discuss all the details. Need those with construction and electrical expertise. Requesting church will provide all needed materials. There is also opportunity for outreach and/or children or youth ministry as well if the team is interested. Team can stay in the church, which has lodging, bathrooms, showers, and a kitchen that team can use to do its meals. Church also has a 12 passenger van that team can use for the week (just pay for fuel).

Length of assignment: One week

Preferred Dates: Late Spring/Summer/Early Fall 2025 (flexible)

Costs: Travel to AK, team food

### AK25-006 Church Building Remodel

Moose Creek, Alaska

Teams are needed to assist congregation finish remodeling and updating their facilities. Tasks may include installation of vinyl siding, construction of an arctic entryway, pouring of concrete around exterior, landscaping, etc. Church will also begin tearing out and remodeling basement for new fellowship hall space. Need those with some construction skill who can lead others in effectively completing tasks. Team should plan to rent a vehicle for the week. Team of 10-15 could stay in the church or with church members in their homes. Kitchen is available for team to use to prepare its meals. Showers in church member's home – or outdoor showers available at sister church.

Length of assignment: One week

Preferred Dates: May -October 2025

Costs: Travel to Alaska, vehicle rental, team food

#### AK25-007 Church Building Repairs

Soldotna, Alaska

Teams are needed to assist with several renovation and repair projects, which may include – painting, refurbishing kitchen and bathroom cabinets, replacing cracked windows and frames, finishing a boardwalk, pouring a 6'x6'cement pad, landscaping, and more. Requestor will work with team leader in determining the tasks team may want to take on. Host church will provide all materials for the project. A mission house with bunkbeds, two full baths, and a kitchen is available for the teams' use. Team will want to rent a vehicle for the week.

Length of assignment: One week

Preferred Dates: June-August 2025

Costs: Travel to Alaska, vehicle rental, team food