

Pray for Job and Bethany Hale



Church Planting Missionaries

Napakiak, Alaska & Bethel Region

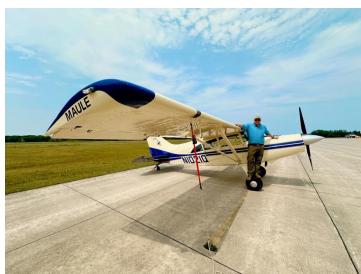


August 2024 Update

Dear praying friends and partners in the faith

Hello again from the Hales! I am writing this letter from an aircraft repair hangar in Minnesota. We purchased another mission airplane, which was located in Michigan, and came down to pick it up and bring it home to Napakiak. The plane is a Maule M-7, a five-seat taildragger that will be a big assist in the ministry with its ability to land on tundra and do short takeoffs and landings.

Many consider it the ultimate Alaska bush plane! Shortly after departing with it we realized that the transponder (signaling radio device) was not working properly, and that is required for flight through Canada so we made an appointment at a shop in Minnesota to have it replaced. While transitioning through Iowa, the baggage door popped open mid-flight and swung back against the fuselage. Thankfully it didn't rip all the way off, and none of our belongings went out the hole! Landing safely at a nearby grass strip, we inspected the damage and determined it was good enough to continue the couple more hours to Minnesota. That was one week ago, and since then we've been working with the head mechanic here to make repairs to the fuselage fabric and the window and door. What's taken the longest is the shipping in of necessary parts. We are disappointed at the delay in getting back home but, God has a plan and we are trusting him.



One very exciting thing to report is that the day before we left to come down this way, another Napakiak teenager accepted Jesus as her Saviour! Makayla is sixteen and has been getting

together for Bible studying with a few of the other teens who've recently been saved. We are itching to return home so that we can jump back into discipling these young folks. God is moving in Napakiak!



Urgent prayer request: a man we know well in Napakiak, Michael, was diagnosed a couple weeks ago with cancer which started in his esophagus and has spread to other areas. The doctors in Anchorage are saying they can't do anything to slow it down and don't expect him to live much longer. He and his wife, who both received Christ in 2022, have two young kids and another on the way. Prayer is appreciated that he and his family will continue to find their hope and peace in Jesus and that the LORD will be glorified in this situation.

The KJV Bibles For Alaska project is moving along and we have been really blessed at the doors God has opened, connections made, and we're just thrilled to see the Word of truth going out to the villages of the Yukon-Kuskokwim region. The peoples' reception has largely been one of gratefulness and joy to be given a Bible - particularly a King James Bible. Our way is truly being prepared before us. So far fourteen villages have been filled with these Bibles, and countless souls will be touched by them. Please get in touch with us if you or your church are interested in sponsoring one or more villages for \$700-\$1,000 each. Airplane fuel is costly and we can go out only as the funds are available. Praise God!

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Pray for Michael who has cancer, and for his family during this time.
- Pray for the growth of new believers and the strengthening of the others.
- Continue praying for the distribution of Bibles in villages.



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