

Baffin Island

Hitz Family
June 2010



Dear Supporting Churches and Friends,

We are sending you a shortened update for this month, as we are just six days away from flying to Baffin Island! LORD willing, we will fly out of Montreal, Quebec on July 12 at 8:30 AM and will arrive in Iqaluit at 12:55 PM. Our immediate plans are to drive a rental truck from North Carolina to Maine where we will store the remainder of our belongings until they can be shipped. Our three-day trek to Maine begins this Wednesday (the 7th).

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Please keep us in your prayers as we conclude our remaining few days in the States. **Especially pray for our safety in travel, particularly for Loretta and the baby, and for a smooth re-entry into Canada.** After our arrival, we will probably be disconnected from “the outside world” for a while until we can get phone and internet connection established. We look forward to reporting to you all next time from Baffin Island!

Thank you all so much for your part in our lives; we thank the LORD for you.

Christ’s for the Arctic,

Paul J., Loretta, Paul Jon, Kenny, and Baby Hitz

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ARCTIC ATMOSPHERE

Rankin Inlet: Jan. 6, '10
-27° F (wind chill -57° F)
Sunrise 9:36 a.m.
Sunset 2:52 p.m.



NUNAVUT NEWS

The short days are now in recession! Since we came in July, the days had gradually become shorter. But since we came to the winter solstice (Dec. 21) the sunlight has increased and it will continue until we have 24-hour sunlight come summer. Now if it would only get warm. ☺

Dear Supporting Churches and Friends,

The new year came upon our family and ministry rather quickly. It's hard to believe that we've been in Rankin for six months. Our youngest son, Kenny, has lived nearly half of his life up here! Though the time has gone quickly, we rejoice to look back on all that God has done in 2009.

In December, the Jones' family returned from their holiday and we were very glad to see them. Having been here "alone" for those weeks gave us a taste of how hungry one can get for good fellowship with other likeminded believers. What a blessing it is for us to be here doing and learning what we are. We are very thankful for the Jones patiently helping and teaching us.

Two days before Christmas, we hosted a Christmas party at our house. The Jones and we invited many of our friends and acquaintances to come. We had no idea how many to expect, but we were thrilled to see our house fill up that night with 28 visitors! Though it was cold outside, it was more than hot inside! ☺

The next week was not quite as eventful, but we did have a New Year's Eve service and thank the LORD for those who came as well. In time, we know that God will give His increase.

December was also eventful in that we had two blizzards. The first was only a day long, but the second was three! Paul Jon often asked to look out the window to see the "blissard" and the three days cooped up in our house passed quietly and enjoyably, although Daddy had to admit he was getting a little antsy.

Are you tired of hearing about this language class that I keep talking about? Me too! I'd really like to tell you that I got to go ... but I haven't yet. The latest is that the class is SUPPOSED to start this coming Monday (the 11th) and I'll find out by this Friday if there's room for me or not. Please pray.

The months are passing quickly and the time for our move to Iqaluit (Baffin Island) is drawing near. We believe the best plan is for us to establish residence in Iqaluit before our return visit to the States. Still, we have no positive word on available housing. We would ask you to make this a serious matter of prayer. God is still on the throne and we rest in His omnipotence in this situation.

We would like to say a special thank you to all our supporting churches and friends for your faithful prayers and financial support this past year. We do not want to take your labor for granted. Thank you so much!

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ARCTIC ATMOSPHERE

Iqaluit: June 2, '09
42° F (25 mph wind)
Sunrise 2:24 a.m.
Sunset 10:31 p.m.



BAFFIN HISTORY:

The first European contact with Baffin Island is believed to have been by Norse explorers in the 11th century. The first recorded sighting was by Martin Frobisher during his search for a Northwest Passage in 1576. Iqaluit was formerly named Frobisher Bay in his honor.

Dear Supporting Churches and Friends,

May has gone by so quickly, but not without its blessings. We have seen the LORD's continued protection and guidance in our lives. God has been answering our prayers and we are excited to announce confirmed plans for our internship.

May began with a 5-day meeting in VA. Then we traveled to NC to watch my brother and his wife graduate from Ambassador Baptist College. As I have recently been contemplating, I have come to a new thankfulness for the LORD's work in my family. My father is a first-generation Christian and the LORD has done so much in my family in the last 40-some years. I thank the LORD that all of my siblings have professed faith in Christ and are presently serving Him.

The LORD has moved His hand of intervention and provided housing for our internship in Rankin Inlet! For months, there has been little we could do but pray, but that is a good place to be – a place where you prove God's calling and faithfulness in your life. Just a few weeks ago, I started corresponding with a property manager in Rankin. An apartment finally is coming available, and she is willing to rent it to us. Remember, we have been praying to go in July; the apartment is being vacated June 30! Praise God for answering prayer. As of now, we plan to move into our apartment July 6 and live there through April of next year. Thank you to all who have prayed specifically with us for this housing. God has again been glorified through answered prayer. Please pray for us now as we strive to get everything prepared for our departure.

In lieu of leaving the country soon, we thank the LORD also for allowing us to spend quality time with both of our families this month. We will truly miss them while we are away.

More good news is that another church in ME took us on this month; this brings us up to about 65% of our basic support. According to God's promises, we are sure that He will take care of ALL our needs.

With a missions conference in NY, we now conclude our last scheduled meeting. These are exciting times for us, but we covet your prayers now more than ever. Please pray for wisdom and direction from the LORD as we have a zillion things to do before we leave in July. As we see "light at the end of the tunnel" we thank you all who have faithfully prayed and faithfully supported us. You are a huge part of God's working in our lives. God bless you all!

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