

Anna B's Update



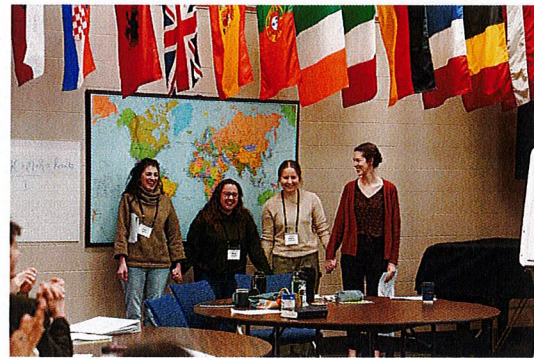
Winter Wonderland

Juneau saw a record snowfall this winter with over 200 inches of snow. Our winter caretakers out at camp have had the big job of constantly plowing snow as well as taking care of our horse herd and just overall maintenance of camp.



In December our full-time staff spent a week at our home office in Kansas City to meet and discuss plans for the coming year. It was such a sweet time getting to be together as well as visit with other people from our organization.

During our winter meetings we take a night to stuff and send our camp Christmas card, and it would be a missed opportunity if we didn't make this night our ugly Christmas sweater party.



In February I was back in Kansas City for Avant Go, the second and final part of Avant's two-part training for their missionaries. It was a great two weeks of getting to know other Avant missionaries, go through various training sessions focused on health out in the field, and catching up with so many that work in our home office.



In March I was asked to be an advisor for a Spring Service Project (SSP) through my college. I was asked less than a week before the trip, but I just so happened to be leaving Kansas City the same day that the team was driving through. It was so clearly a God thing that I couldn't say no (not that I wanted to). It was an amazing week getting to work with 18 college students and another advisor, who was one of my close friends from college, and serve at Hope for Opelousas in Louisiana. Throughout college I had heard of this organization and actually had the option to spend a summer there the year I decided to serve in Alaska for the first time, but I had never actually been there until now. While there we helped fix up the outside of a house that they just recently acquired and also helped with an after-school program. It was such a sweet time getting to see the Lord working through these college students, through the staff, and the community as a whole. Getting to serve in both the heat of Louisiana and the rain and snow of Alaska really amplifies the truth that we serve such a mighty God that is everywhere and loves His people all over the world.



On the drive from Kansas City to Louisiana the van I was in had their heart set on seeing an armadillo. Well, as we sped past one, we obviously had to pull over, run across an empty field, and document the occasion. I've never seen a group of college students so excited!

Our first Sunday there we were able to play a kickball game with some of the high schoolers. It became very evident very quickly that it has been a hot minute since I have kicked or caught a ball, but what a fun afternoon it was.

What's Next

- I leave for Alaska on Thursday!!
- Our first retreat begins on April 30th
- Summer Staff arrive on May 18th
- Our first week of camp begins on June 1st

Prayer Requests

- Prayers for some friends that have recently lost loved ones over the last few weeks
- Prayers as I start wrapping things up and leave for Alaska
- Prayers for our staff and summer staff that will be making their way out to camp over the next several weeks

Praises

- It has been a great winter in Kentucky getting to connect with family and friends
- The Lord has shown Himself in such mighty ways this winter, reminding me of His constant love and provision

Join My Team!

In the Great Commission God has called everyone to "go therefore and make disciples". For some this calling is for them to go to other places and physically be a part of different ministries. But, for others, this calling is to help them go. I am asking you to join my team in helping me go.

Right now, I go back and forth between Kentucky and Alaska, every 6 months, to work at camp. But the end goal is to be in Alaska year-round. This, however, cannot happen until I am 100% financially supported.

I am currently at 27% of my financial goal.

Would you prayerfully consider joining my ministry team as a monthly financial partner? Together we can follow God's call to go into the world and help make disciples.

If you have any questions or want to discuss things further, please feel free to contact me any time via email at anna.boyles@avmi.org or call/text at (502)598-7380.

To financially partner with me you can go to <https://avantministries.org/missionaries> and use my name, Anna Boyles, and my account # 12371.

You can also partner by going directly to my bio page: [Anna Boyles - Avant Ministries](#).
