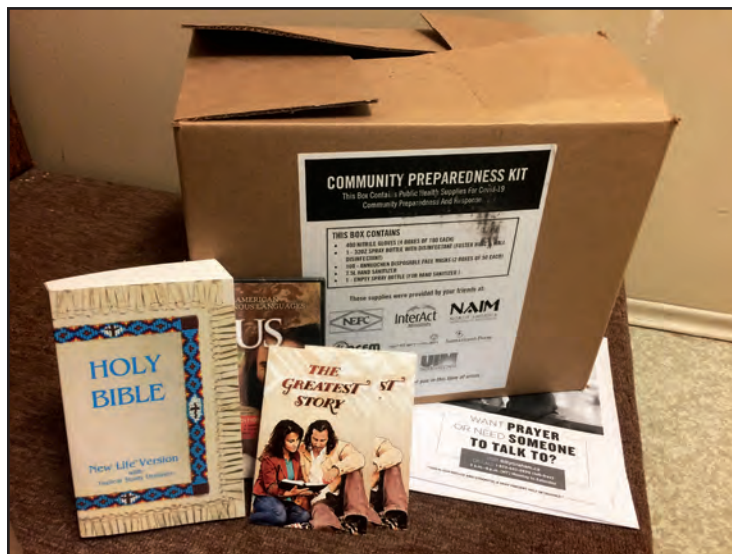


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Community Preparedness Kits provided by Samaritan's Purse included Gospel resources: "The Greatest Story" booklets, and Tribal Trails DVDs & newsletters. Also, over 2300 Bibles have gone out from our NCEM Bookstore.

REACHING OUT DURING COVID-19

Since early May NCEM has been partnering with other missions to bring help and hope to northern communities during the pandemic.

Your contributions to our Outreach & Church Ministry Fund (most recently Call #164) have made possible the distribution of "Community Preparedness Kits" from Samaritan's Purse (face masks, disinfectant, gloves), along with Christian literature & DVDs, and offer of Bibles.

"Indigenous communities face extra challenges ..."

For NCEM's part, we have been sharing these resources primarily in northern Saskatchewan, Manitoba & Ontario – mostly to smaller communities that aren't as well equipped. Pilot Albert Heal has flown to northern Manitoba, while David Bouck, accompanied by NCEM friend, Mel Plett, drove through Manitoba's inter-lake region. At time of writing, Gilbert Bekkatla and Dan Engel are delivering in northwestern Saskatchewan.

Our road teams anticipated blockades along the way, but were able to make transfer arrangements for the boxes when necessary. It is local people who have been dispersing the supplies and Gospel resources.

We've heard appreciative responses from community leaders, both for the health supplies and for the spiritual resources. Indigenous communities face extra challenges from COVID with close-knit extended families and, in many cases, crowded living conditions.

Your prayers are welcomed as this outreach continues. While we trust that these supplies help prevent the spread of sickness and death, this pandemic is a grim reminder that we all need to be prepared to face death, however it may come. Our world needs the hope found only in Jesus Christ, who conquered death and makes it possible for us to have eternal life with Him! ●

OUR BIBLE CAMPS ... PREPARING in EXPECTATION

Because of COVID-19 we are not able to operate our usual Bible camp programs this summer. This is a great disappointment, but we want to use even this "in-between" time for building God's Kingdom.

Our Camp missionaries are striving to stay connected with campers. There are plans for some "virtual" (online) camp activities and, if possible, we will have some small scale daytime outreaches and discipleship sessions.

Also, this summer is an opportune time to improve our facilities, and your response to Call #163 has helped make this possible.

At Arrowhead Native Bible Center in New Brunswick, director Grant Fawcett plans for some of these funds to go to development of their playing field. Jason Boucher, at Big River (SK) Bible Camp, is thankful for funds that will provide for a motor boat and canoes.



Waterfront fun last summer at Pine Ridge.

At Pine Ridge Bible Camp (Beauval, SK), where a major construction project is about to begin, Tabitha Wahlstrom reports that Minute-Man donations will permit upgrading of their waterfront.

"Our docks have been in sad shape for several years," she says. "We plan to replace the dock ... and we look forward in expectation to seeing lots of good use in the future!" ●

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Dear Minute-Man Friends ...

Thank you for your gifts to Call #164. To date, \$54,398.53 has been received, which in large part has gone to our Outreach & Church Ministry Fund (OCMF). You will read more in this letter about how your gifts to OCMF are being used to share the hope of the Gospel.



COVID-19 has impacted everyone. We all hear a lot about it everyday, and have grown to accept a new normal. From the moment the pandemic hit Canada, I started praying that God would allow NCEM to respond in some way to show the love of Christ. Then Samaritan's Purse called one day asking if they could help. They said they were putting together "kits" of gloves, masks, and disinfectant.

Soon a number of First Nations ministries started distributing these "Community Preparedness Kits" into places that were under-equipped. Northern people have also expressed a hunger for hope and for God's Word. With the only true and lasting hope being a relationship with God through Jesus, we were happy to begin contributing Bibles and other Christian resources. In fact, as we distributed the kits to various communities, some expressed more thankfulness for the Bibles than for the kits!

As I write this, NCEM has provided over 2300 Bibles for distribution throughout the North. We are praising God for this wide open door. We are especially thankful that we had a sufficient supply of hard cover and soft cover Bibles on hand. In His goodness, God had NCEM prepared for this!



● A part of this Minute-Man Call (#165) will again go to our **Outreach & Church Ministry Fund** (OCMF) to help cover the expenses of travel and Bibles as we continue COVID outreach.

● A part of this Call will also help our **Field Ministry Fund**, as well as NCEM **Missionary Recruitment** expenses.

Thank you for your faithful giving so that we can respond in such a time as this.

Walter Selke
NCEM General Director

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