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CLARY'S COMMENTS

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As we finish our first full week together, I have some observations to share.

First, I have noticed a great and warm fellowship among the saints here at the building and the joy of being with each other. Let's spread this enthusiasm by making every member and every visitor know how important they are to the work and the Lord.

Second, I hope we can see an improvement on our Sunday night and Wednesday night attendance figures. While we have many things pulling at us and trying to take us away for coming together, remember that Jesus died for us and all things on this earth will cease for us when death comes. Our souls will live on and on and we will ultimately give an account for our actions. Some are working and some are ill and this is understandable, but when one chooses things of Jesus and His people a problem exists.

Third, I see many programs going and that is good. It shows that South Anchorage is an active and alive group of people. Let's make sure that we use the programs to glorify God and reach out to one another and those outside of Christ.

Fourth, we observed how kindly we have been treated by providing some furniture for us and for offers that have been made to assist us as we settle in. We are getting some tree limbs cut at the house that are on the roof and side of the house, and we are getting the carpet cleaned.

Finally, you made a good choice for a youth inter for the summer. Robert Murphy is a fine, young man who loves God and people. We had the joy of working with him in IL last summer and he made a great impression on the people there. Robert has helped us get settled by bringing in some of the heavy items we brought with us for our stay here.

Marie and I are thrilled to be back and will soon be inviting families to eat with us and getting to know some of you better and renewing friendships of those we know so well from our past time here. We pledge to do our very best to help the church grow and be the right type of example. I will preach the truth in love to the best of my ability and it may be offensive and hurtful to all of us as we all need to be "pruned" to continue to be fruitful!