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IT IS GOOD TO BE HOME!

Pat Cowden

Maria, Sarah, and I had a wonderful trip to the lower 48 and we are glad to be home. It is strange to think about a place that you have only live in for 9 months as "home" but that is exactly how we feel. We were blessed to see many people that we had not seen in quite a long time while we were in Arkansas, Missouri, and Tennessee. We were also blessed to be able to sit at the feet of some of the best teachers our brotherhood has to offer. We highly recommend anyone who would like to immerse themselves in an uplifting experience that you make plans to attend PTP in 2016.

As much as we enjoyed those days, they pale in comparison to coming back to Anchorage to continue our work with you at South Anchorage. This past week, Don and I had the opportunity to complete a study which Andy had also been involved with. The study culminated with our gaining a brother and sister in Christ, Thomas and Sherry Rainey. The Rainey's have been visiting with us for several weeks and have been open and honest about their desire to learn more about God's Word and the church.

Jesus says that honest and open hearts will get the answers they seek (Matthew 5:6 and 7:7-8). Please rejoice with us and make the Rainey's welcome into the South Anchorage family. I believe you will be glad you did, we certainly are. They are friendly and open and I am sure would love to get to know all of us better as we should want to get to know them better and help them in their new walk with Christ.

I love you and want to go to heaven with you,
Pat