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Happy New Year!

2011 was a year of seconds or twos! We had two Tumpline Ministries trips to Chile and we had our second Tumpline Ministry romance. Yes, Aaron Fish and Kelly Anderson met for the first time on a Tumpline trip in Patagonia. It was obvious there was a spark. And they are now engaged to be married.

It's good to review the past year, to reflect where we've been, who we've met, to thank God for the blessings and protection he has provided. The year started out with a memorable mission trip to the Children's Home of Bhogpur, India with the "Grovers" at Grove City College. This mission trip had a profound effect on us all.



Dr. Doreen Mar, Aaron Fish, & Kelly Anderson



Spencer, Laura, Emily, Josie, Elizabeth, Kathleen, and Matt at the Taj Mahal

Another trip that deserves mentioning is the annual Men's Retreat to Windigo Lake in northwestern Ontario. The walleye still bite with regular enthusiasm as do the mosquitoes!! Our July trip was a first...a pack horse trip to Colorado. This was a different style trip but well received. It was a break from our usual backpacking and canoeing trips. True to form we closed the summer with a French River canoe trip that has been a long time favorite for young and old.

Looking ahead to 2012 there will be trips for all ages and experiences. The Men's Retreat is scheduled for June with a family canoe trip scheduled for July. Our deep wilderness trip will be a backpacking trip in Alaska to Serpentine Hot Springs during August! We'll close the year with a likely mission trip but the exact location is still in the works.

Please keep Tumpline Ministries in your prayers. Thank you!

Dan and Jan

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