



*Then He arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm... What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey Him! (Matthew 8:26-27)*

On February 9, 1960, the USS SARGO (SSN-583) traversed submerged more than a thousand miles in water less than 200 feet deep under the Bering Strait, during the dead of winter, when the entire area was covered with ice. This is the only route into the Arctic from the Pacific Ocean. This historic undertaking was the first time that a submarine had made this transit.

*Sargo* was designed for an Arctic cruise. She received alterations to strengthen her sail before she left the building yard. After a 19,000 mile shakedown cruise, scientific instruments were installed to assist her in navigating under the shifting polar ice with its potentially hazardous submerged pressure ridges; in locating open leads and thin ice through which to surface; and in gathering oceanographic and hydrographic data.

Making her first pass under the pole at 0934, the submarine began a clover-leaf search for thin ice and at 1049 she surfaced, according to her log, 25 feet from the pole. Later the same day, the Hawaiian flag was raised at the pole in honor of the *Sargo's* home port at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

For this cruise the *Sargo* earned the Navy Unit Commendation, the second highest award possible for a ship of the United States Navy.

After repairs at the end of April the *Sargo* resumed operations in the Hawaiian area with a demonstration cruise for the King of Nepal.

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The authors had the pleasure of meeting and talking with a crew member who was part of this great adventure. A man who spent 20 years as a submariner.

## Captain Jim's Family and Friends

The snow continued to fall setting a new record in that region. The roads soon became impassable. Captain Jim, Margaret, her younger sister Jane, and the parents had much time to spend together. Captain Jim still struggled with the language but soon was able to play simple board games with them.

Peter, the young neighbor, began to spend a lot of time with Jim and the family. He looked up to Jim as a brave hero. Captain Jim thought Peter was brave for doing what he had done to get the message to Margaret's brother Ralph. Peter tried to help by sharing with the daily chores. He cleaned the barn, split logs for the cookstove and pumped water for them.

It became apparent that he was interested in Jane, Margaret's younger sister. It seemed almost daily there was snow to shovel just to get to the out building.

Jim's leg was healing and he looked forward to spring. By then the cast should be off and he could continue his journey back to his unit. He prayed the war would end by then. He so much missed his wife and three boys, his parents and friends. But he thanked the Lord that he now had friends who were faithful believers on the Lord Jesus Christ.

Back home Jim's wife, Sally, continued praying for her husband. It had now been over two months since she had received word that her husband's plane had been shot down behind enemy lines. Thankfully she got the report that his parachute had opened when he had jumped from the burning plane.

She had a lot of confidence in Jim's ability to survive. He was smart, strong, and had been trained to survive. Most of all she knew that God was over all. She knew she had to trust the Lord to bring Jim back safely.

Her responsibility for taking care of the boys, ages 3, 5, and 8, occupied her time fully. But when the children were in their room for the night, she

wept much. With her friends she tried to be up-beat and positive. But, she was deeply concerned and lonely.

When Sally attended the Wednesday night prayer meetings she was comforted to hear the prayers for Jim and for her family. Jim's mom and dad faithfully helped with the boys to give Sally opportunities to run the necessary errands and attend to pressing matters.

Sally answered the boys' questions about where their dad was. Always she tried to reassure them that he was alive and would one day come home again. Then they would be able to do the fun things like other children did with their dads and moms: share together going camping, to the beach, to the desert, fishing, boating or taking a driving vacation to see relatives across the country.

Sally usually asked the boys to give thanks for the food. The older two often asked the Lord to bring their daddy home. Tears sometimes welled up inside her as she heard the simple faith of her sons. They had confidence that the Lord Jesus would keep him safe.

The winter weather completely stopped the war efforts on the ground where Captain Jim was staying. At times Jim could hear the bombers flying overhead, flying deep into the interior of the country to destroy munition factories, military runways and planes on the ground.

Jim seemed far from the war effort in the comfort of this loving Christian family. He knew his time would come when he would be well enough to leave. He would always remember them. He thought about when the war would be over. How he would like to bring Sally and the boys to meet his newfound friends.

One day they all were surprised to see Margaret's brother, Ralph, at the door. The river had frozen over in a shallow part of the river. How they all rejoiced to know everyone was safe. Jim asked Ralph if his commanding officer would send a radio message requesting that a confirmation note be sent to his wife to let her know he was safe.

*Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in Thy presence is fulness of joy; at Thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore (Psalm 16:11).*

*Make me to go in the path of Thy commandments; for therein do I delight (Psalm 119:35).*

*Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men (Proverbs 4:14).*

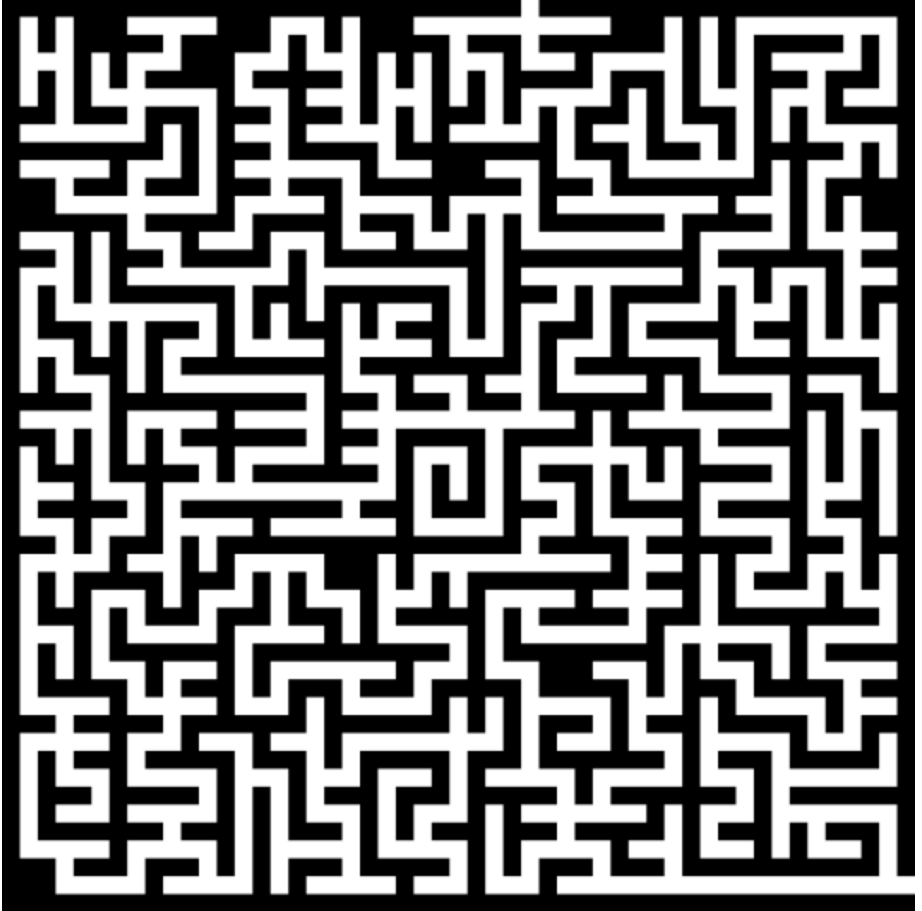
*But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day (Proverbs 4:18).*

*Ponder the path of thy feet, and let all thy ways be established (Proverbs 4:26).*

*The way of the just is uprightness: Thou, Most Upright, dost weigh the path of the just (Isaiah 26:7).*

*With whom took He counsel, and who instructed Him, and taught Him in the path of judgment, and taught Him knowledge, and showed to Him the way of understanding (Isaiah 40:14)?*

**Start**

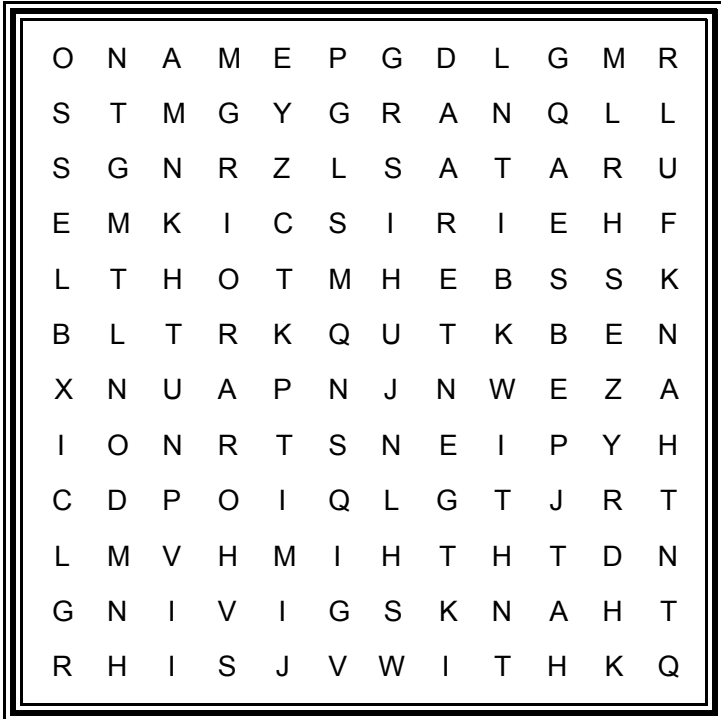


**End**

Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, and bless His name (Psalm 100:4).

In the word search below find and circle every word from the above verse.

Hint: Words do not share letters. Find largest words first.



## EVERY

EVERY eye shall see him (Revelation 1:7).

EVERY knee should bow (Philippians 2:10).

EVERY tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord (Philippians 2:11).

EVERY one of us shall give account of himself to God (Romans 14:12).

EVERY good gift and EVERY perfect gift is from above (James 1:17).