



LIGHT IN THE NIGHT—Lutheran Church at Nome radiates light on Christmas Eve as the Seward Peninsula city begins to observe the holidays. Nome has a history of bustling gold mining activities at the turn of the century. At

the height of the rush, Nome had over 35,000 inhabitants. Still popular as a tourist attraction, because of its colorful history, Nome now has about 3,000 population.

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