## A Voice in the Wilderness Stories from the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation

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## Wings As Eagles Ministries Newsletter

## *"I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last."* Rev.22:13

A Father took his son to pay respects to a loved one who had passed on. As they stood in front of the grave, the young boy looked to his father asked, and pointed "Daddy, what does this mean?"

The father replied and said "That is the year your Grandfather was born." Satisfied with the answer the boy moved on and asked again "What does this mean?" as he pointed to the other number etched in stone.

Again the father replied "That is the year that your Grandfather passed away" Finally, the sons finger swept over the short, small line dividing the two numbers and he said "What about this Daddy?"

The father, paused and looked down for a moment and gently whispered "That's the only thing that matters"

Many times, we look to what was, and the possibility of 'what if', forgetting the promise of the time in which we live and breath - the now. Sometimes we even feel that the things we have been blessed to put our hands to is something that we have begun, and when we close the chapter, our heart tells us that we've finished...

Yet still as Christ did say "I am the beginning and the end, the first and the last.", where does this mean that we fit? Right in the middle, compassed about by the first and the last, the King of kings, and Lord of lords - knowing that the foundation upon which we stand is laid not by hands, and labored over not by the sweat of the brow of man - but created sovereignly by the perfect will of our Father.

What He has delivered into our lives for us to tend, is not the beginning, nor is it the end. But oh how great an honor it is to be a part of the building of the Kingdom of God, to become the Bride of Christ.

"And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in." Isaiah 58:12



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Let us always never forget, in all things, in all times and in all places we are represented by that small, short line, often looked over, but never without reward (Rev 22:12). May we continue to build the bridge from the end to the beginning and the beginning to the end that others too may walk upon the paths which we were graced to help mend, and that the void of lost hearts may be filled by the love of Christ as we fulfil the great and mighty commission. *"..Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations.*." Mat 28:19

May we remember in all things, nothing begins, or ends with us... And this great thing that we are so unworthy to be a part of - is so much greater than one ministry, one person, or one lifetime. My prayer is that the horizons of our understanding be widened, expanded, and without limitation - for how can we uphold the faith if we do not stand? Father may we understand everything you have for us in this now moment, that not one word would be missed, not one person passed over, and not one heart forgotten - in all things may our eyes look to your face to see you hand as it moves now!



Blessings to you brothers and sisters in Christ! Let me first introduce myself and my husband. We are Curtis & Hailey Horse - and we are new to the Dream Center on Pine Ridge. We have been blessed with an open field of opportunity and promise thanks to the obedience of Lori and Gary and their sensitivity to the voice of the Holy Spirit.



We are no strangers to the reservation, Curtis especially, as he was born and raised in Evergreen - a well-known community on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. However we have spent quite some time away from the Reservation as the Lord moved us for a time and a season of reprieve and growth in the things of God. We are excited to be back in the place the Father has called us to minister and speak to.

(Jpon arriving back on the reservation we were taken aback at the atmosphere we were greeted with. (Jf you have ever found yourself on this reservation you will have a pretty good idea of the heavy darkness which looms above.) After almost 2 years away, it seems as though many issues that plagued the Oglala Sioux people have increased... Many families are being destroyed by not just menial drugs and alcohol, but now for some time a great influx of meth and gang mentalities have been bombarding the spiritually unguarded men and women - leaving devastating effects on families and children.



However not everything has gotten worse, actually a great battle has been won over White Clay, Nebraska, the main source of liquor sales to the reservation. All liquor licenses have been revoked from the small boarder town, leaving the community dry, and without a paddle. This is just a small step in the grand scheme and we need your continual prayers to not just dry out the land, but the people and the hearts that they may in turn thirst

for the fountain of life. This is opening up a great opportunity for the Dream Center to minister to family's as a whole, to see the next generation loosed from the grip of addition and find the freedom that awaits them in Christ!

We are both looking forward to seeing an exponential impact on the people of the reservation, and additionally the many teams and members which will be making their way here to assist, aid and witness the love of Christ to the Lakota people. As scripture tells us to be instant in season and out of season, it is our conviction to stay as far from the parable of the barren fig tree as possible (Luke 13)



"Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine." 2Tim4:2 We don't have to work ourselves to the bone to see the hand of God move, all we must do is 'hearken attentively' as scripture makes note, that this, is the truest form of obedience. "For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience (G5218) of one shall many be made righteous." Rom5:19

The summer is looking bright, and so too the promise of the harvest.

Beginning May 26th, we will be receiving the first team for the summer from Immanuel Baptist Church! This is going to be a new experience for us, but we are certain that the Lord has planted us for such a time as this, to help and to aid in this growing work for the Kingdom.



We have been working hard, alongside Gary and Lori, to schedule, and organize all of the days for Kids Club, Teen Breakout, and regular gatherings! That's right we are working towards opening up the Dream Center to host weekly gatherings for bible studies, sharing

the word of God and sending praises as an incense to the throne room - in one heart, one mind, and one accord. Our hearts burn to truly disciple those who hunger and thirst for the deeper things of the Kingdom, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. "Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in Charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity." 1Tim 4:12

And on thank note, I would like to ask that you as brothers and sisters in Christ would keep this mission, these people, and this new season in your prayers! That the Fathers will, above all else would come to fruition in this place like never before. Thank you for all of the love and support that you have graciously shown this ministry and this reservation, the prayers of the righteous availeth much.



God bless you all!!

