



# VOICE IN THE WILDERNESS

Stories from the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation

*"They shall mount up with wings as eagles they shall run and not be weary;  
they shall walk and not faint." Isaiah 40:31*

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Wings as Eagles Ministries Newsletter

## Work Teams

We wish to thank the work team from Triumphant Life Church in Minnesota! This week Pastor Ron and his team finished all the mudding, texture and painting of the sanctuary at the Dream Center. Also the team finished the painting of the bathrooms in preparation for the plumbers to set the toilets and vanities.

We also wish to thank Town & Country Plumbing in Sturgis, SD, for their hard work in getting the plumbing completed including bathrooms, water heater, and sinks!

We also thank you for your continued prayers and support, and for making the Dream Center become a reality!



*Pictures to right: Work team from Triumphant Life – Top  
Plumbing by Town and Country Plumbing*

## Upcoming Events

March 19 - Ministry team from Southwest Baptist University

March 20 - Prayer walk and street ministry in the village of Evergreen

March 22- Food bags delivered to Potato Creek, Evergreen, Manderson communities.

March 23 - Serving lunch to the homeless and ministry in the village of White Clay

March 28 - Work Team from William Carey Baptist Association- Final Construction on Dream Center building.

April - Opening to the Lakota families in new gathering for Jesus center!

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## Footprints in the Mud

Gary McAfee

In John 8, 3-11, Jesus illustrates grace and forgiveness in its fullness. Here was a person who according to the Mosaic Law and committed an offense worthy of death.

The Pharisees, in their lust for power wanted to judge by the letter and trap Jesus at the same time. But Jesus' response is brilliant! Whoever among you who is without sin, let him cast the first stone. This simple response derailed the whole strategy of the Pharisees. Jesus did not deny the law or the penalty to be paid. He did not say to stone her, which would have been contrary to his teachings (Having received publicans and harlots). Of a truth, the Pharisees at this point, whether they would admit it or not, realized that they were dealing with something bigger than themselves. After all of the accusers seemed to be overcome by their own consciences and stole away Jesus said to the woman, neither do I condemn you, go and sin no more.

I believe that Jesus sensed true repentance in her and by not condemning her under the law, allowed her to prove her repentance by extending grace.

I guess one question that begs to be asked is: If Jesus can forgive us this much, why can we not forgive each other this much? The world would be a different place!

## HOW YOU CAN HELP BUILD THE BUNK HOUSE:

- 28 bunk beds have been donated from Indian Ministries of North America. Thank You!
- Breakdown of other needs:
  - \$85 – One mattress (Need 48)
  - \$175 – One Bunk Bed Frame (Need 20)
  - Any Amount – General building materials

Make your check out to "WAEM" and mail to the address below. Or you can give online through PayPal at our website. Just make sure you indicate what your donation is for so we can apply it to your choice!

## Almost Finished!

We have been talking a lot in recent months about building things. But, the most exciting part is about to begin! This would be continuing our community street ministry, and beginning to use the new center for the purpose for which it was built. We are excited about being able to share the good news in a culturally sensitive way (without compromising) and to dive into teaching Biblical principles armed with better tools than ever before! We should be up and running sometime in April!

The Lakota people have been waiting and watching for a long time and the realization among them, that the Dream Center is for real, is growing like never before! The more they see completed, the more the excitement rises. It is a wonderful feeling to know that the people are just as excited as we are! We ask you to continue to pray and to take this journey with us as far as the Lord will allow!

*WE LOVE YOU AND PRAISE OUR FATHER FOR GIVING YOU THE GRACE AND STAMINA TO ENDURE. WITNESSING ALL HE HAS PLANNED FOR OUR LAKOTA KIDS TO KNOW HIM. THANK YOU!*

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