



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

"The Tree of Life"

July brought so much excitement and joy watching all of our labors come to produce much fruit for the Kingdom of God! The teams brought joy, love and worked tirelessly to accomplish so much this summer.

The Tree of Life started in May by Southwest Baptist University and continue to be finished by many of the great teams this summer. Now the children who have received Jesus in their hearts and the native youth who come to the Dream Center place their hand prints on the tree.

In doing so they have accepted that they will follow Jesus and receive eternal life.

It also helps to make the youth and teens have a feeling of belonging that only Christ can give and a place they can call their own!!

The smiles were enormous and the laughter heavenly!! We love these kids and so does Christ.

We have hundreds that want to be here all the time and we are praying now for a bus to be able to do just that!!

Because of Jesus and for a time they can be just kids and forget the struggles of their everyday life. They can eat, be loved, learn His principles for a life abundant and play where it is safe. As one boy 12 years old, said from the community of Evergreen this summer,

"I like the Dream Center because I feel loved here."



Their hands are the leaves connected to the branch! (Jesus Christ)



Faith

"Faith is tirelessly and determinedly standing by and never letting go of things hoped for...."

These beautiful children and the smiles are worth the sacrifice. For this is where I see Christ. Thank you! Love you!

“Lakota Camping Days!”

What fun! We had so many more youth come for the camp! Not as many adults but dozens of youth and teens, oh yeah!! We had a challenge because just a few families had vehicles. We were almost out of ideas, the team that was with us to help didn't have a van available to pick up. Soí ...we rented a charter bus from Rapid City and had them all picked up in the communities in style!!! Take that satan!!!! We also had the bus come back days later and take them home! It was so cool!!! I wish you all could have seen this huge charter picking up these precious families/youth. They ate 3 meals a day, snacks, slept in bunk beds, played games, crafts, painted on the walls, took showers, learned of Jesus, hung out and had a blast! On the last day it was so exciting!! It made the 17 years we have labored and tirelessly stood in faith, with our strength coming only from Christ Jesus, worth every minute. **21 youth and young adults came forward and prayed for Jesus to come into their lives and hearts!**

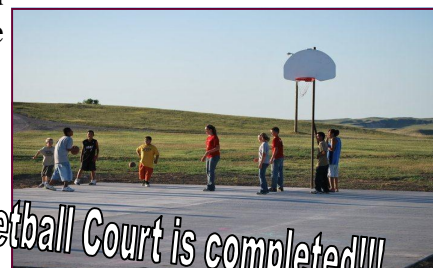
“Thank you to all who gave to make this possible, your seed reached the Heart of God. Many of you have planted seeds for years and years and it is now coming to pass. We pray for you and ask that you continue standing in the gap, giving and praying, steadfast and waiting for the promise. Love you! (see more on waeministries.com) click on media. Also Facebook!



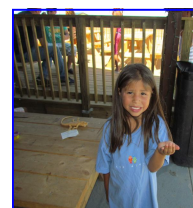
Here they come!! Praise you my Father. To Him all the Glory is given.



Basketball Court is completed!!!



Lori with some of the children during family camp (left) at the Dream Center. Gary on guitar (left). Lakota teen, Jacob learning to worship on guitar.



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