



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

"Sir, where is this bus going?"

That question resonates in my mind all the time. On October 22, 2011, Wings as Eagles was having an open house at the Dream Center on Pine Ridge. We had just purchased a bus for our bus outreach; this was its maiden voyage. After 3 communities my last stop was Manderson. There was one young Lakota woman nearby. She walked up to the bus and all she asked was: "Sir, where is this bus going?" I told her we were going to the Dream Center. We were having an open house and all were invited. "So I can come?" she asked. She climbed into the bus, not saying anything more. I saw her throughout the day, mainly sitting and listening to the worship bands. At the end of the day, while driving everyone home, she asked for a phone. A staff member gave her his phone to use and she dialed her mom. "Mom? I'm ok! I am still alive! I went to the Dream Center. It was good, I'll see you soon!" She hung up and smiled. We asked her if she was okay. She told us she was going to end her life that day but the music just really ministered to her and it calmed her and she felt uplifted. I saw that young lady several more times and on our Resurrection Day Celebration she brought her mother and her daughter to the Dream Center. I drove for nearly 7 hours in that bus making a few trips back and forth to the Dream Center. Over 200 children, teens and adults came, with many more wanting to come. After that day I told my wife that we need more buses. The next morning Lori said to me, "We need more buses!" I just think back to October 22nd, that day a life was saved because of a bus that God gave us and I think what if we had 3 buses how many lives would be saved, how many lives would be changed? *Joe Mixer, Facilities Director*



Wings As Eagles feed over 200 along with 125 children during our Resurrection Celebration! Providing much need transportation in our bus! God gets all the Glory for His Spirit draws! Thank you!



Support the Dream Center by purchasing a t-shirt...

Dream Center on Pine Ridge T-Shirts are out! They are awesome too! They come in grey with burgundy and black lettering on the back and our logo on the front left. Order them on line! Or you may send a check. Get one today! M L XL XXL XXXL- \$18.00 each.



Bringing love and hope to our native youth on our forgotten lands

Our 2nd annual "Oglala Lakota Family Days" at the Dream Center

July 29-August 1,
2012

The families will receive three meals a day, snacks, beverages, and the youth will receive Dream Center t-shirts. Families will enjoy showers and all the amenities, plus daily Bible study and worship each evening.



Last year's event WAEM brought a charter bus to all communities and it filled up! This year WAEM has its own bus! Thank you Jesus! You can also sponsor gas for the bus which is really needed. **\$180.00** fills the bus for a roundtrip to Evergreen, Porcupine, Sharps Corner, Wounded Knee and Manderson communities.

Will you sponsor a family this summer to give the gift of love and safety for our children? Thank you!

\$285 will sponsor one family
(or up to 5 children alone)

\$530 will sponsor two families (unlimited
children in family)

\$795 will sponsor three families
(unlimited children in family)

WAEM wants to take the time to thank our partners! We have always said our partners are the best and you are! We acknowledge that we are in a poor economy. Your steadfast giving has made it possible for us to continue to minister Jesus to forgotten nations of children here at home. We are often in awe how the Spirit of God moves here at the Dream Center!



There are many exciting things happening and we rejoice to be counted worthy to carry the Gospel to the Lakota people with God's help and yours. We are currently needing to get the bus painted as soon as we are able. The cost is \$3,700.00. We appreciate any help with this endeavor. The lettering for the bus is being donated! God bless all of you! Gary and Lori and the WAEM staff!

Teams!

If you would like an opportunity to serve at WAEM we welcome your team for the spring/summer 2012 season. Lots happening and the Lakota children love having you! Many projects coming up! Whether you are a ministry team, construction team or both! Please pray for the work here, God Bless you!

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