

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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Footprints in the Mud by Gary

I recently met a fellow believer while in meetings in New York from Pakistan. Only two percent of the population there are believers in Christ. He relayed the hardships that they face there, including death, hunger, and being cheated of wages because of their belief. They meet underground and hide to worship. He has been in this country two years and has attended church here. His main questions to me were:

- 1. Why are American Christians afraid to help our believers in Pakistan? They go to India, which is very close by! Why do they not believe Jesus will protect them? Why do they not have faith?
- 2. Why is your country so immoral but yet a Christian nation?
- 3. Why is our country led by the flesh instead of the Spirit?
- 4. Why do the Christians not stand against the evil here?

How was I to answer him? In Pakistan believers are dying for their faith; In America we are no threat because we look like the world. In Pakistan they live out their faith daily, relying on God to keep them alive another day; In America we show our faith on Sunday but rush home to our football parties and all manner of self-indulgence. In Pakistan, believers are extremely modest in the way they dress; In America churches do not reflect modesty to say the least.

This is not the complete discussion, but can you imagine trying to "give an answer" with these things being a reality in our country? We as Christians have allowed the very things in our country and in our communities and churches that God says in His Word is an abomination to Him. We have not taken a stand against those who perpetuate the evil, preferring to bash each other instead. Lets face it, most of us are afraid of being persecuted for what we say we believe.

Is it not time to do as suggested in the book of James: Show me your faith by your works?

Times of trouble are coming because of what we have allowed to happen. Jesus has spoken concerning these things.

Time to take a stand before it is to late! Jesus and the rest of the world is watching! <u>Rev. 2 v2</u>

We are the most blessed nation in the world let's together give thanks this season by blessings another! Let's give these reservations, this country and other countries Christ and take His message across the world. But first lets put His Word inside of us.



Many wonderful blessings this
Thanksgiving to you and your
family is our prayer.
Love Wings As Eagles and staff!

Over the Years...

It is really exciting that we can talk about the accomplishments that we have achieved together in our lives and ministry. We have been able to acquire deeded land on the reservation, build buildings, have been able to become a part of the community on the Pine Ridge Reservation, feed children, and minister to spiritual needs to name a few. We have at times felt that we were not accomplishing anything, but after taking a brief moment to take a look, we have seen what God has accomplished through us and through you! We have seen what faith and a little elbow grease can create! We at WAEM feel that we have much to be thankful for as we take a time to reflect on God's wondrous works. As we endeavor to move forward, there is still much work to be done! Some of the upcoming events in 2014 include staff housing, a bath house to go along with our recently completed bunk house, and a pastoral home, and the beginning stages of the Circle of Love children's home. We have been blessed with the best partners in the world who have given until it hurts and prayed without ceasing! We pray that you will walk with us until the vision is completed. Thank you and God bless you all! Gary and Lori

Remember us for your year end giving! We love

These sweet girls 8 and 9 yrs. old (left) wrote their dreams on the Dream wall and want to learn of Christ. They now have HOPE!





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Gary ministering at the Dream Center

We encourage Walmart Gift Cards for Christmas. It will save shipping costs which allows us to purchase food and toys. Wings As Eagles receives discounts for purchases over \$2,000.00 at our local Walmart store. This means more toys! So individual's especially may want to take this option!

God Bless you all as you work towards bringing another meaningful Christmas to a hurting forgotten child on the reservation this year! God bless you!

Hope you had a few minutes to check out our new website! Faster and easier way to donate on line too! Thank you!!!!

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