

# 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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## Happy New Year!



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## A Huge Thank You And Lots Of Appreciation To All Who Gave This Christmas Season

We are honored to have you all as partners and friends and continue to pray for each one of you. Without you being the hands and feet of Jesus, with your giving, prayers and going the extra mile with us we could not do what we do! May each of you have a peaceful, safe, joyful New Year. Our hope is the Lord to prosper you, keep you in His Grace and shine upon you daily.

Our Christmas event was a little different this past year due to the extreme sub zero temps, snow and our furnace went out! We had to change our plan the last week and it all turned out great. It was actually better some of the team members told us. They interacted with the Lakota families, some driving 2 hours to come to the Dream Center in -15 temp. wind chills at -30. One family with six children was absolutely precious. They journeyed the trip because it was the only Christmas they would have for the children. They arrived in an old pick up truck. Needless to say we were all so touched we loaded the children with gifts for Mom and Dad too! We gave gifts for three days, all day long with Santa, presents, baked goods and lots of love. The kids absolutely loved it. The parents, grandma's and grandpa's loved to take pictures of the kids in Santa's lap, which was awesome for them! The manger was set up in the middle of the sanctuary floor with the tree. We loaded presents under the tree and it was beautiful. We all wore coats and it was cold in the building! Your gifts do so much each year to show Christ's love during this time of celebration.

We are grateful and will go forward into 2017 with thankful hearts that we have the opportunity to continue on this journey with you. Remember us this year and let's make it a year we break ground on the Circle of Love, build an indoor cafeteria (so they stop freezing outside!), indoor basketball arena for the teenagers and use these tools to bring the Gospel as in Matthew 25. We thank you for staying with us. Happy New Year! Lots of love and prayers, Gary and Lori~

## The BAKED GOODS

were  
amazing!  
Seniors  
were so



touched by all the love and  
work that went into making  
fresh bakery goods especially  
for them.

*Story of the heart: One sweet  
Lakota lady came up to me she was  
85 year old, she asked me what the  
loafs were. I told her they were  
pumpkin, banana, cranberry, choc-  
chip, lemon and all kinds to please  
take one. She looked at me and said  
she had never tasted one before and  
she never had anyone bake her  
anything, just for her and gave me a  
big hug. ( I gave her four!) Passing  
the hug on... Thank you for your  
love. ~*

## SPRING/SUMMER TEAMS

OUR SCHEDULE IS FILLING UP FAST THIS YEAR! IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SERVE WITH US AT THE DREAM CENTER PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AND SEND A REQUEST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE! HOPE TO SEE YOU HERE!