

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 40:32

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Heart Notes

The new year is here with the challenges, miracles, pain, joy and laughter it will bring. As I reflect on the past 23 years being a missionary on reservations in America there is a scripture that comes to mind for 2018.

None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak lies: they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity. Isaiah 59 v. 4

Love should be our stance, forgiveness our weapon, and obedience to God's word our mission. So much more often we see the church growing more inward instead of outward. The trend is alarming. The church has its work here in America in our neighborhoods more so now than ever before.

Justice for the forgotten, the poor, homeless and the unborn is getting scarce. The Bible speaks of a great delusion that will come upon the people. Will the Christian people be led astray? Do they think compromising is the answer? Contrary to what the Lord instructs in His word?

Right in the middle of the US sits reservations in dire conditions, children dying, teens living in such despair they chose death believing it is better. Elders are dying from the cold without heat. Children cold, hungry, are crying from shear misery. Just giving you some of my thoughts this month and hoping the Lord will open eyes and hearts in the greatest moment of our lifetime to pass around what we have, eternal life. Who will go for me? Send me Lord, send me..... Love you~ Lori

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Circle of Love update! With much consideration and prayer.... due to not yet reaching the goal of the total amount needed for the ground work such as water, electric, septic tanks and dirt work (38,000.00) We have decided in order to bring a vital shelter for these children and use a cost effective plan to go a different path for shorter goals and quicker results. The building we tried to move onto the land needed more work than expected. This is much more exciting to go this route and be able to begin sooner. Purchasing a Menards metal building around 10,000 sq ft. will allow us to move forward much more quickly!! The home for the children will have bedrooms, girls and boys sides, cafeteria, common area and family room, bathrooms, and a library. The following is what has been given and what is needed: (more info as we receive it will be shared)

Circle of Love account-28,945.00

Menards metal building (shell only construction) 78, 600.52

Water line, electric lines, septic appox-38,000.00 Team completing the inside work – insulation, drywall, plumbing, electric, bathrooms, kitchen, etc. @ 100.00 sq ft.– appox 100,000 Heating and cooling– 41,000.00 Appox. Total : 257,600-28,945.00 leaving a total to fundraise 228,655.00. A complete shelter! Much lower in costs and obtainable. Together we can do this. Help fundraise with us to friends and family. These children's lives depend upon it literally. Thank you so much, love you. **Share.....circleoflove.today with a friend.**

BREAKOUT DISCIPLESHIP YOUTH GROUP



These Breakout Youth and Lakota chaperones will be traveling to San Francisco Feb. 17th-21st. Please keep them in your prayers! Macen, David, Annetta, Deborah, Nenah, Cheryl, Raythen, Rita, Heather, Madonna, Rosa, Morgan, Nicollette, and Dria, my daughter. Also for myself (Lori). We appreciate the prayers for the youth to experience new beginnings and vision. Pray for their spiritual growth and hope for a better future to be realized. These wonderful opportunities the churches give to host the Lakota youth has been beyond what we had hoped. Praise to the Lord!

In January four teens on Pine Ridge gave up the fight and turned to suicide. Currently we could use four full time youth pastors to add to our team, it is that critical and teens here are desperately hurting. Thank you for giving, providing a way to reach those we can with the Gospel of love and hope that only Christ can bring. Deborah, a single mom and one of our chaperones, lost her 19 year old son to hanging last year, one of the reasons we chose her to go on this trip. Some of these Lakota teens have attempted suicide and/or were cutters in the past.

If you can help with expenses for these teens while in California we would appreciate your giving. You may give through the mail or at www.waeministries.com. Some of the scheduled events will be speaking at church, visiting St. Mary's College, even doing mission work with the homeless.