

## 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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The youth were changed, they continue to see the hope for their future instead of choosing death. The trips encourage them to move forward and focus on their future.

So much joy, laughter and tears of healing came to these teens on this trip. Thankful to our San Francisco church partners, friends and partners of this ministry for providing this once in a lifetime trip. For a moment they forgot, for a time they smiled.

Suicide attempts, abuse, hopelessness and despair were healed in Jesus Name. Eyes were opened to love, forgiveness and hope.







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Love and Hope

The most powerful trip! The youths progress in discipleship was evident from taking these trips they have gained confidence and feel they no longer have to hide. Thank you God.







SPREADING THE GOSPEL LOVE ON THE STREETS. FEEDING THE HOME-LESS AND PRAYING FOR THEM!

During our brief stay, the last night we had a debrief (talking circle) with the teens and the two Lakota chaperone ladies who accompanied me at the hosting church. They wrote down on cards what they felt God was showing them on this trip and how it would impact their lives. We can't get all of them on this newsletter, but I will share more next month. Here are excerpts from some of them......

It has been a year since I lost my 19 year old son. This trip opened my eyes of possibilities of hope, hope for me and my other son's to make the right choices. I have decided to help at the Dream Center this summer and help Pastor Lori. One thing I love in life is making a difference to help someone, no matter how poor I am. "Caring words are all someone needs sometime to lead them the right way." And I have received them. This trip brought me healing. Deb, chaperone

Thank you so staying the course with us. After all these years the fruit of our labor and your giving are producing disciples. Coming out of the depths of despair, these teens made Jesus so proud. Us too! Love you!

I think God is trying to tell me that I have purpose in life. Being on this trip made me realize a lot. Each one of us can go further in life. I am very thankful for Lori. She gives me hope for my future. I met a lot of amazing people on this trip, very glad I did. Pastor Mike is an amazing person. I 'm never gonna forget all the people I 've met. Being here made me realize I actually see a future for myself, I have hope now for myself and others.....

To go help people out, I don't need negative stuff in my life. (drugs, alcohol, meth) When I feel sad talk to someone I trust don't let my feelings build up. Enjoy life, travel around and pray every night....

Being here seeing so many beautiful places, I am so grateful and honored to experience all the love that was shown to me. We were accepted as people no one looked down on us. I am going home to let my people know there is so much love and kindness you just have to want it. The Lord will show you all the riches of the world, he will take you places where you only see in magazines. Thank you Pastor Lori, Pastor Mike and all of our host families.