## **VOICE IN THE WILDERNESS**

December 2024/January 2025

## HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM ALL OF US AT WINGS AS **EAGLES MINISTRIES**

## A Different kind of Christmas... Gary had a medical emergency in the

middle of a horrible snowstorm. It was Dec. 17th, Gary complained of pain in his side, extreme pain which came on suddenly. After an emergency trip to the hospital, he was in need of surgery and could not work. At the same time, the weather was bad for the team traveling to help us, and the roads were treacherous, Gary's health was my main concern. The first time in 19 years of having Christmas events, the ministry had to cancel Christmas at the Dream Center. We needed the Lord's help to make the right decision on what to do.... I called Susan, the Director, at Oglala Child Protection Services and she was thrilled to receive gifts for all the children under their watch, who would not otherwise have gifts for Christmas. Not only were we able to give to these children, but also special needs children! As the picture below to the left shows a little girl in Manderson receiving a special gift from you all! It was the best answer the Lord gave. It doesn't always have to look like what we want.. with a big to do! Quietly in the midst of the storm the Lord brought the love to the special ones in need. We love you all, you made a difference! Below is the letter and pictures we received from Susan. Our hearts are full. ~~~Love you, Lori

Thank you so much for your assistance. Every child in care and the additional 200 we are working with intake, investigation, prevention and preservation received a gift. Also, about 25 Indian Child Welfare Act children, in SD and NE custody received gifts. We also assisted children that reported indigent and without with presents. We could not have done this

Susan Schrader, Director

Oglala Sioux Tribe

**Child Protection Services** 





Right to left...Susan, Ranzel WAEM staff), and CPS staff.





Wings As Eagles Ministries Relief.... As we continue in the New Year bringing relief to the reservations, we ask for your support to bring these much-needed shipments to the native families on three reservations. December saw a growing need for food and supplies. We are grateful for the volunteers at each reservation who work in the cold, snow, and wind to help us get the food and resources to so many families. In 2024 the ministry brought 64 shipments of 28 pallets a shipment. Serving over 36,000 native people and children on the Rosebud reservation alone. God is faithful! This is the Lord's ministry; we are stewards of His Goodness. Thank you for praying, sacrificing, staying and giving. May your New Year be filled with joy, peace, and health.

Another picture sent by Susan, what a sweetie, he loved his basketball and coat!

PLEASE KEEP GARY IN YOUR
PRAYERS. HE WILL HAVE ANOTHER
SURGERY ON FEB. 7<sup>TH</sup>. ALSO FOR HIS
HEALING. ITS SO HARD WITHOUT
THAT MAN! PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY
AND FOR THE LAKOTA CHILDREN,
SENIORS IN THE BITTER COLD
TEMPS FOR THE LORD TO PROVIDE
THEIR NEEDS. THANK YOU SO
MUCH!~~~LORI





Teams are needed for summer adventures of outreach, construction and so much more!!

Please email your requests and two choices of dates to wingsaseaglesmin@earthlink.net

We welcome you to join us!!

