

Smoke Signals... From the McKinneys

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Dear Church and Pastors,

Here we are at the end of another year and trying to sort everything out as to the events and the blessings that follow them. We do have a lot to be thankful for, and much of this has to do with our home, our health, and our hope.

Our home..... is becoming a place where our grand children like to come spend time with the old folks. They will call to see when we are home and then come and take over the place with their presence of joy, laughter, and some of those good vibes. In a testimony the other day, my wife said she thankful because when we came to the Northwest 24 years ago, there were only 6 of us, and now, there are 20 when we get together on Thanksgiving Day.....we are very thankful !!!

Our health.....has been holding up pretty well so far and we thank the Lord for that. We are still helping to carry some of the load here in Tacoma, working in Portland, and our endeavors on the Warm Spring Reservation. Knocking on a door the other day, I led a man to the Lord, who had lived in Warm Springs for 15 years and was thinking about moving back. He said he worked with the Tribal Police and he knew several key people on the Tribal Council. Isn't it amazing how the Lord works these things out. Things like this keeps us going week after week and enjoying His work.

Our hope.....in the Lord Jesus gives us the confidence that all our tomorrows are in the hand of God. The future of our lives, the church, and our country are in the fact that God has promised to carry out His will. That should give us the faith to keep doing what we have all been doing for the cause of Christ. The Apostle Paul tells us in Romans 15:4, "For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope." (a daily application.....amen!) There are a lot of people who are without hope. A person can live without people and they can go without health, but not without hope. The Native People, as any people, are better off with this Hope of Eternal life, so keep praying and keep missions (sharing the Gospel) to this world.

Prayer Request: rental of a building....a van for sunday school ministry.....continued raising of the funds for a new restroom....and workers.

God's Blessing Upon You.

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