

The HAYNES FAMILY

Missionaries to the Navajo Nation



"...Streams in the desert." Isaiah 35:6 b

Dear Pastor and Church,

Summer #2 July – August 2016

WEEKLY HAPPENINGS CONTINUED – REVIVAL IN TAHLEQUAH, OKLAHOMA



Here is the continued Summer 2016 update! The first week of July found me with the good folks at Blessed Hope Baptist Church in Tahlequah, Oklahoma (Cherokee Nation). Pastor Bill Holcomb has been a good friend for many years. **Bro. and Mrs. Holcomb and the folks were incredibly gracious and we had a good meeting. I had the privilege of visiting with my good friend LB Wildcat and he showed me the Creek church they are starting in Muskogee. Bro. Josh Harjo is planting this work. It is great to see Native churches starting Native churches!** My vehicle tried to break down on the

way home. Let me tell you, no A/C at 106 degrees through Amarillo is no fun! I made it back none the worse for wear.

PINON, ARIZONA VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Pinon (pin-yawn) on the Navajo Nation is where the "wild west begins." It is a rough community that has never sustained a Bible preaching church. Joel and Fabi feel led to start Strong Hold Baptist Church in this needy community. **We were able to assist in the first VBS held there for Strong Hold. Because of scheduling challenges, there was only about three hours of visiting made before the VBS started and that didn't even cover the entire community. I cannot begin to tell you how God came down on this meeting! We had a high day of 81!** It was just unreal! The response of the folks in the community was amazing! **There were 11 people saved.** Joel has made tremendous strides in getting the church site process going. The land has been approved and the survey has been done. Pray for the timing of the start of the work and for Joel as he has the responsibility now for two works, Chambers and Pinon.



SOLID ROCK BAPTIST CHURCH VBS IN NAZLINI, ARIZONA



We were able to help for a couple of days at the Solid Rock Baptist Church VBS. **Bro. Fernando Jones is the Navajo pastor of this work that was started by Joel and his family. Bro. Fernando is doing a great job and this was the first VBS that he had charge over. Bro. Louis Horton and the good folks from Immanuel Baptist in Decatur, Texas came and were a blessing as usual! The weather played a bit of havoc with the meeting, but God was good and the crowds were excellent. There were around 20-25 saved during the week!**

NAVAJO NATION COWBOY REVIVAL IN GANADO, ARIZONA

Bro. Gerald McKelroy and the folks from Greater Waco Baptist came back again to the Rez for the Navajo Nation Cowboy Revival in Ganado. The rodeo grounds are just down the dirt road from the church. **This is an evangelistic outreach and not your typical church service. We have skits, gospel music, horse demonstrations and so forth. Bro. McKelroy preaches using his horses as illustrations of Biblical truth. We saw 11 saved during the meeting. Please pray for the Edgewaters. They are a couple who were saved at the revival and are talking about baptism with us.** They live in a community called Greasewood and that will put them close to Bro. Justin Barnett's work in Indian Wells when it starts in October. Another great week of God's blessings!



GANADO BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE STARTS ITS 5TH YEAR

The first week of August saw **classes begin again for GBBC. We have 17 students and expect to have two graduate this year.** In my next newsletter, I will tell you about the services we had during the Navajoland Baptist Revival and the ordination of Bro. Ryan Nez. We are excited about the future and busy as ever at the present! Pray for us and thanks for being our partners in Navajoland.

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