

Smoke Signals... From the McKinnays

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TO OUR PRAYING FRIENDS

It is May 26 at 5:30 in the morning and the temperature is 53 degrees with rain coming down slowly, but that makes it a good time to catch up on the prayer letter.

In April.... we have seen some interest in the church on the Colville Reservation with some new children and a few women. One Grandmother asked if she could get her grandkids baptized so we explained what baptism is and how it fits following Salvation. Most natives carry a Catholic background and have to get past the Confirmation teaching. Regina and I were gone a couple Sundays, and our helper said we had two families visiting the churchso we thank the Lord for Tracts, new signs, and the people attending who are inviting neighbors and friends.

We also saw in April, our highest attendance in Tacoma since we have been back. We had 71 in attendance and a wonderful Easter Sunday. The church has the potential to see growth because we have people who care about other people, and we want to build on that vision for evangelizing in this native community, especially toward the younger generation.

Also on Easter Sunday, we suffered a tremendous loss of our son Benjamin. He was 43 years old and left behind his wife, Anna and three adult children: Isaac, Caleb, and Tawny. He was saved in his early years, so we are grateful for having put his trust in the Lord....if you could put his family on your prayer list, it would be appreciated. Some of your churches have families that adopt a missionary family to pray for, and we appreciate you. We need you during this sad time in our life.

In May....my wife and I took time off and traveled to the IBFI fellowship in Fort Worth, TX. We have not made those trips too often, but this one was worth the distance. The fellowship was wonderful, and the messages were exact in "drawing us and to stir us"! We would like to thank Chickee Baptist Church and Bro. Rey Martinez for making that trip possible with finances and prayers. We also thank others who gave to help with offerings, prayers and encouraging words from the cards, texts and notes you sent.

This week, our Pastor Giordano and 6 other people will be visiting us to help us on the Colville Reservation. Then, during the week of June 9-13, we will be at Indian Baptist Mission in Canadian, OK for Family Camp.

Then, our first VBS in June with the help of Bro. Ryan Nez and about 17 workers from Window Rock, AZ will come up to help do the VBS.....Summer is a busy time!
We are excited that you are excited about Native ministry!

ALL FOR JESUS SAKE,


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