



Dear Pastor and Church,

March – April 2023

FOLKS ARE COMING

Do you ever wonder if the work you are doing for the Lord is making a real impact? I decided to do a little survey over Easter. I am not a "numbers guy," but the truth is that we all want to reach as many people with the gospel as we can. I called all the churches that are somewhat affiliated with Ganado Baptist. Some we helped directly start, some are churches that join with us for special meetings, and so on. The attendance in the churches I called ranged from 14 to 106 on Easter Sunday. When the final tally was made, there were over 630 people total in the various churches hearing the Word of God preached! Some churches on the Rez are in remote areas with a small population base. We must remember that we are not alone! It is exciting to see the possibilities when the Lord works!

FOLKS ARE BAPTIZED



Over a three-week period, we were privileged to see eight folks follow the Lord in baptism! What a blessing to see the waters of baptism stirred! One dear lady we baptized is elderly and it was a real challenge for her to climb the steps to the baptistery. Though difficult, she made it and has gotten very faithful in her attendance to services. Obedience makes a difference! We also saw some children baptized that my wife has diligently worked with. The Sunday School is growing significantly and seeing the kids want to follow the Lord has opened the door to reach some families. One lady we baptized got saved at



the funeral I conducted for her stillborn child. Praise God for His work!

FOLKS ARE SURRENDERING



Terry Willeto was saved many years ago when we planted Mountain View Baptist Church in the Tsaile/Lukachukai area. Terry had many struggles and got away from the Lord. I was able to help him go to Calvary Baptist Ministries in Eufaula, Oklahoma and his life turned around. I was honored to preach at his ordination recently and he is slated to become the pastor at Turtle Mountain Baptist Church near Cuba, New Mexico. Pray for him and the work. He has a clear call to preach. There will be "growing pains," but with the Lord's help, that work can see many souls saved!

FOLKS NEED A RIDE!

Like many other ministries, Covid wreaked havoc with our van ministry, but we are seeing more and more come on the vans now. Herein lies the problem. Our van "fleet" dates from the time of the Exodus – alright, maybe I exaggerate a bit! Bottom line is we need to upgrade our vans. If you have a good van or know of one (or two!!) that are in good working order that we could use here on the Rez, please let me know. We are not looking for vans "off the showroom floor," but we need vehicles that are ready to go. Our VBS is coming up in mid-June and we need to expand our van routes to reach more folks. Please pray with us about this and thanks in advance!

Please keep Mrs. Haynes and I in prayer as we are taking a special trip in about 1½ weeks to Iraqi Kurdistan to visit our son Matt and daughter-in-law Apryl! Looking forward to reporting on all God does in the summer ministries upcoming! Thanks for standing with us!

Dr. and Mrs. Mark Haynes