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New Milestones

This summer we celebrated our 40th wedding anniversary and also 25 years in ministry with Native people. Our hearts are full of gratitude to our Creator for the rich and rewarding life He has given us.



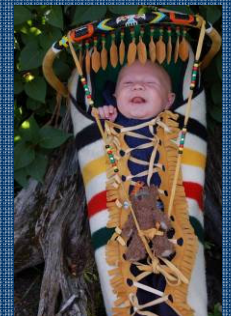
God's Word is TRUE! God's Word is COMFORTING! God's Word is SURPRISING! God's Word is LIFE-CHANGING! God's Word is FOR EVERYONE! These were the themes for the five days of Daily Vacation Bible School at Church of the Indian Fellowship on the Puyallup Tribal Grounds where we attend. It was an exciting, high-energy week for the 20 children that participated. Diane was the photographer and put together a DVD for each family that spotlighted each day's activities with lots of pictures of the children. I was the Bible teacher. At the end of my session on day four, God's Word is LIFE-CHANGING, eleven year old Julius came up to me and quietly said, "Mr. Norman, I would like to ask Jesus into my heart." "You mean right now before your next session," I said. "Yes," he responded. I sent the other children on their way and Julius and I sat down in the back room. I made sure he was clear on what he was doing and then we prayed together. There is nothing that brings more joy to my heart than seeing someone decide to become a follower of Jesus.



The other day we took Julius, who has had a rough background, but has been adopted by a good family, and another little boy whose mom is dying of cancer to the zoo for ongoing mentoring. Thanks for supporting us in doing what we love to do.

Family Update

Kirsten and her family are doing well. Mike passed his state boards for his LPN degree and will be working at Saint Joseph's hospital beginning in October. Karel and Myra and their girls were here, from Nicaragua, for the month of July. We made lots of fun family memories while we were all together. AJ and Lindsay were also here with their two boys. Please meet Maximus Dylan, born April 22, weighing in at 9 lb 9 oz. He's such a cutie!



Sharing Jesus in partnership with our Native brothers and sisters because of you



Several months ago, at Billy's request, I began a mentoring relationship with him and his wife. Billy is seeking to go to the World Christian Gathering of Indigenous People in New Zealand in January of 2011. He shares his testimony in the attached letter. Perhaps you would like to participate in helping Billy reach his goal. His passion was ignited in 2008 when we came back from Israel and shared our story and pictures of the World Christian Gathering there. We would love to see him reach his goal.

Thank YOU

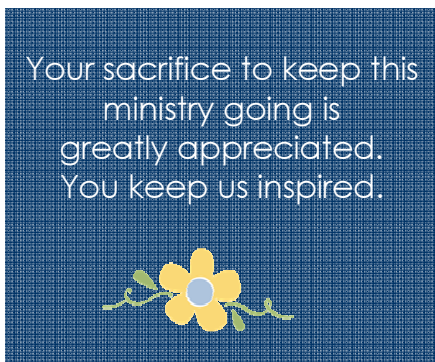
Every time we write these newsletters we are overcome with gratitude and awe knowing that we are here only because of the gifts and prayers of faithful people like you. For twenty five years we have depended on God to prompt people's hearts to give and for twenty five years He has been faithful to meet every need. It's a humbling thought. Thank you for being His servants. Please rejoice with us in all that is being accomplished through your giving!

Prayer Requests

- Our upcoming trip to WI with 8 Native people to share Jesus within the context of Native culture
- Dave's upcoming surgery, September 13, to remove the cancerous tumor in his kidney
- Julius's continued growth and walk with Jesus
- The monthly Honor Circle that deals with male/female relationships
- The Men's Warrior Circle where 10-15 men meet weekly that want to become Warrior's for Christ
- The weekly Healing Circle for people with post-traumatic stress (military, abuse, etc.)
- The monthly Wisdom Circle where we hear testimonies and seek wisdom from Creator's Sacred Book
- The monthly Flute Circle for those wishing to learn a Native instrument to worship Creator
- The monthly Gathering where we meet to honor both the Creator and the Native culture
- Weekly mentoring of Billy and Cindy
- The newest weekly meeting beginning September 8 – a chronological Bible Study of the Sacred stories

A Big Praise Report:

Karel and Myra's adoption of Nora is final. Many miraculous events happened to make this a reality and she was able to visit here with her new family in July. Thank you to all who prayed about this. Please meet our newest grandchild! We are so proud of her. And, some other exciting news, Myra announced that she is pregnant, so grand-child #10 is on the way. She is due in December. Our family is growing!



Love - Diane

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