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WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW!

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Future Church location for
New Life Church
"Prayerfully"



Some of the food taken to
the Indian Reservation

From Jim

Dear Partners,

I want to thank you all for your continued prayers and support. Since our last letter, we have made another trip to the Indian Reservation, took a collection and sent money to help in the flooded village of Girardot, Colombia, and had two Baptisms in the Amigos en Cristo group. We also spent a couple days helping Service International do cleanup from the St Louis tornado. **Priority 1:** We almost have the funds we need to print more copies of the Amazing Grace book. **Priority 2:** We are hoping to get a used U-Haul truck that will enable us to take more items to the Reservation, to collect and distribute furniture items to the Hispanic community, and to be able to collect and store building materials for the reservation. Your financial help and prayers for either of these two priorities would be greatly appreciated. I want to thank Emmanuel United Church of Christ, Oasis Food Pantry, and **ALL** the contributors who helped make our mission trip to the reservation possible.

In His Service,

Jim

Cheyenne River Sioux Indian Reservation

Eagle Butte, SD

CURRENT: The New Life Church continues to grow and reach out to others. Utilizing the food, clothing, books, and Bibles you contributed, they are able to help more of the needy in their community and show God's love in a way that makes a difference in their lives. They are still working on the details to create a ministry to reach the "at-risk" youth. They are determining whether it should be set up as a separate non-profit or as part of the church.

Our trip in May took a different path than what was expected. Even though we were unable to work on repairing the concrete block walls of the project home, we were able to brace the home in preparation of the work. We then spent most of the time framing, insulating, doing some electrical and installing drywall in the kitchen area. Putting the sink together and repairing the plumbing made an immediate difference in stopping water leaks that damaged the floor and wall. The homeowner makes a large part of his income in the warmer months making and selling breakfast burritos that he sells around town. The kitchen was unable to be used until we completed the repairs since there are health and food handling criteria he has to meet. I believe God knew what the priority for this project would be, even though I didn't.



Project home



Collapsed block wall



Supports in place



More RR tie supports



Sink and base installed

Indian Reservation (continued)

An added benefit was that the homeowner and his stepson also learned some additional construction skills during the project. I was also able to show them the concrete block laying process so they could get started once the rain quit and the digging was complete.

The trip report on our website shares the details of what we accomplished. But it's hard to describe the appreciation they have for the efforts we make to help them, even though what we do seems like we hardly scratch the surface of their needs. Both churches we helped with food and clothing will be able to continue to reach those in need, and by doing so, have more opportunities to share how much God loves them.

All of the Bibles, books, and Survival Shoeboxes place important tools in the hands of those reaching out to the un-churched.

PROJECTED: New Life Church is hoping to obtain approval to use the empty church building pictured at left for their regular services. This would also give them more flexibility in holding weekly activities and provide a better place to store what we donate to them. The tribal housing authority will meet this month to determine if they will be able to allot funds for the construction of one or more of the cabins we have been showing plans for. These would meet a housing need and also provide a construction training opportunity.

NEEDS: We need your help with the following:

- \$4,000 for a used U-Haul box truck;
- \$1,000 towards travel expenses and building materials for the next trip.

St Louis Outreach

CURRENT: Amigos en Cristo: We will greatly miss Juan, one of our leaders, as God has moved him to Arkansas. We pray for blessings and anointing as he does God's work there. The weekly Bible studies continue to reach and disciple those in the community. Many are now seeing and learning God's Word for themselves as they spend time in God's Word. Weekly services also continue at the church on Sunday.

Colombia: The small church in Colombia is continuing to do outreach and bring others to Christ. Help provided during the recent flood enabled them to reach even more people and show that God cares. Thirty families have been relocated to a new community. Donated money was used to purchase beds, mattresses, sheets, silverware, clothes and personal items. Here is a link to view the photos: <..\Downloads\apoyo comunidad de Girardot.wmv>

Oasis Food Pantry and Thrift Store: Assistance is provided in repairs as needed. The pantry serves over 500 families each month. They have been a tremendous help during each of our trips to the reservation.

PROJECTED: Amigos en Cristo: We hope to develop other Bible studies/house churches and expand our ability to help needy families with food, clothing, and furniture items.

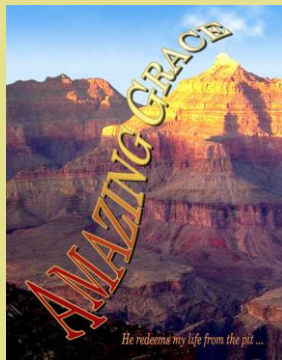
Colombia: In partnership with the Amigos en Cristo, we want to work with the Pastor of the small church in Colombia to provide Christian literature, resources, and encouragement as they reach out to their community.

NEEDS: We need your help with the following:

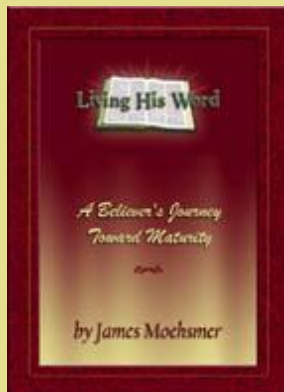
English to Spanish translators for articles.



**Living His Word
The Next Step**



Amazing Grace



**Living His Word
A Believer's Journey**



**Indian Reservation:
Framing to enclose attic**

Spiritual Growth

CURRENT: We are putting the final touches on our latest publication, **Living His Word – The Next Step**. This book is the same size and style of **Amazing Grace** and is intended to follow the information given in **Amazing Grace**. In this book, we hope to provide the Next Step to move farther down the path in our walk with God. To mature in our faith, develop our trust in God, and move beyond the basic understanding of salvation, we must continue to seek God through His Word and prayer. **Living His Word** goes beyond our knowledge of God. We can't just believe what we hear and read, we must apply it to our lives.

Our website has a variety of resources for believers of all levels including the book **Amazing Grace**; the book **Living His Word, A Believer's Journey Toward Maturity**; a **Leadership Series**; and over 220 **Spiritual Growth** articles. We also have most of part one of **Amazing Grace** translated to Spanish. We offer these free, to be printed, e-mailed, and used in whatever way needed to share God's Word with others. We can't stop when someone receives salvation. God tells us to make disciples (Matt 28:19).

We have a separate spiritual growth area in Spanish on the website. Please share with your Spanish-speaking friends.

PROJECTED: We will continue to add articles to the articles index. We will also place more articles in Spanish on the site once translated. Translation of **Amazing Grace** to Spanish will continue.

NEEDS: We need your help with the following:

- **\$600 for more Amazing Grace Books** (to support US ministry to Indian reservation, homeless shelters, women's shelters and food pantries).

Note: Many of these people do not frequent churches. These books may be the only chance they have to see, read, and discover God's message.

Thoughts to grow on: *"When the foundations are being destroyed, what can the righteous do?" (Ps 11:3).*

This Spring has resulted in many foundations being destroyed by storms, tornados and flooding. Hardship comes to the believer as well as the non-believer. While we have no control over if these things come our way, we do have control over what our real foundation will be. Destruction ranged from nothing in some houses while right next door the roof was gone. Some neighborhoods and whole communities were wiped out.

I heard one 911 call they aired on the news with what sounded like one or more people praying desperately to God. The news never covers the background of the one(s) you hear praying. But I wondered whether it was Christians, non-Christians, or both that were praying. I wondered whether it was the first time for some of them to ever cry out to God or give Him their attention. I wondered whether they would live their lives any differently after the event to spend more time seeking God. I wondered whether there were any praying Christians that had a positive impact on non-Christians as they both endured the same devastation. I wondered whether what mattered before the storm would be the same as what mattered after the storm.

I mean, is God seen as our only refuge and sure foundation before and after the storms? Or do we soon forget God and return to our foundations built on sand, once the storm passes? We have an incredible opportunity during these storms to share with others where the only hope and sure foundation can be found. What else can the righteous do, but look to God? Will you share it?



**Indian Reservation:
Drywall going up**



Rainbow over Reservation



**La Victoria – Girardot, Colombia
(new community from flooding)**



La Victoria - kitchen

Ways You Can Help

Not everyone is called to go on a mission trip, BUT everyone IS called to help reach the lost. There are many ways you can do that. One is to provide help for those who are called to go but do not have the funds. Another is to provide for construction materials that will be needed for the work to be done on our trips, or to provide food and clothing. You can also help us spread the word about what we are involved in so others may join us. For those who are able to provide financial donations, please remember that everything helps, from small amount to large amounts. No gift is too small for God to use. Please consider the needs listed here and visit our website for more details: www.LivingHisWordMinistries.org and click on the icons of interest under "Ministry Outreaches."

Prayer Requests

The success of our work for God is directly connected to the amount of prayer and prayer support it receives. God provides many opportunities for us in the world to serve and help where needed. God did not make us all the same, nor did He place the same desires and burdens on everyone's heart. Our prayer is that through our ministry, there will be some effort, some opportunity, or some need that specifically touches your heart. When it does, God has burdened your heart to get involved. Your help then enables us to be the hands and feet to carry out that work. Please continue to pray for all the outreaches and efforts as we move forward to complete God's work. Thank you for praying for Living His Word Ministries.

Ministry Thought

What did we do with what God gave us (Matt 25:14-30)? What did He have in mind as He ordained all of our days before one of them came to be (Ps 139:16)? What purpose did He want us to carry out as He established the exact times and places we were to live (Acts 17:26)? As individuals, what kind of work did God prepare in advance for us to do (Eph 2:10)? How does all of that fit US, when He commands us to go and make disciples of all nations (Matt 28:19-20)? What will WE do for the kingdom of God?

Volunteer Opportunities

Project: Cheyenne River Sioux Indian Reservation, Eagle Butte, SD.

Project: Oasis Food Pantry needs volunteers.

Project: English to Spanish translators for articles.

Prayer Support: For all ministry areas.

Financial Support: For all ministry needs.

Thank You For Whatever You Can Do

On behalf of those in need, we THANK YOU!

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