



Lahmann Family Missionaries

Mission Update & 2018 Vision Letter

It has been awhile since we have emailed an update. If you follow us on facebook you have seen the outstanding results of the Christmas Angels Outreach. Together we collected over 380 Christmas Gifts to share with the Navajo Children. We also took a van full of groceries, winter coats, and gently used clothing items to a needy family in Black Mesa, AZ. As many of you know we reach out to our supporting churches to make this outreach possible every Christmas. And every Christmas we receive amazing support and donations from so many of you; when we say that this ministry and specifically this outreach would not be possible without you we mean that with all of our hearts. Many families and churches from back east collect donations, and send gifts for us to distribute; Lighthouse Baptist Church in Cortez has faithfully helped us wrap these gifts the past several years, and we are so thankful to announce that this year Mexican Water Baptist Church stepped up in a huge way and helped us pass out all of these gifts. This year our family only had 100 gifts to pass out on our own. Our church distributed the gifts between many of the members and they each went a different direction with a vehicle of gifts and to share and the message of Christ with our local community. It was a blessing to see our members getting involved in another area of ministry.

During the month of February we have a one day Teen Conference scheduled with guest speaker, Bro. Zack Terry. And we have a Valentines Fellowship planned for our church family. We are looking forward to both of these outreach opportunities.

We have several prayer request in the church currently; we have several including our family that has been sick, we have a couple men who are struggling with alcohol (Alberta's brother and Shane Spencer) , and we have families who are wanting to take on more responsibility in the church but haven't committed to do so yet. And Ms Sophie had a niece who passed away this past month, she was 31 years old and leaves behind a husband and three young children. Please remember these request in your prayers, we would greatly appreciate it and so would our church family.

2017 Christmas
Angels Outreach
gave gifts to over
350 Navajo
children, Thank
You for being part
of this outreach
opportunity.
~ Andy & Danyell



2018 Vision and Mission opportunities

And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God. For I determined not to know any thing amount you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling. And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power f God. 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

As 2018 is now here and we look forward to what the year has in store we are excited to share with you our Vision Letter for the upcoming year. Our main goal and focus will be to build the church through doctrinal teaching and discipleship of our members. It continues to be our burden and prayer that we will see the church grow. While numerically is always a blessing, we

seek to see our members grow spiritually giving strength to our foundation and outreach into the community.

As we look at 2018 we have some goals and as we share these we ask that you join us in prayer that God would work and we will be able to see great things accomplished in 2018.

#1. We are going to explore the idea of moving the church location closer to the paved road. This will take several steps including obtaining permits and land permission from the Mexican Water Chapter, and also the Navajo Nation.

Also, Archeology exploration has to be done on the land that we want to move the location to and make sure that there is no ruins or archeology sites on the location.

#2. Continue the construction and updates on the church building and fellowship hall. We were able to make numerous updates in 2017, but we still need to finish new flooring in the church building and also move the cooler location to prevent leaking on the church roof.

2018 Mission Opportunities



Summer Programs: We will be bringing our oldest to college in August and therefore our Summer Programs will be condensed into several clubs during one or two weeks during the summer. If your church is interested in coming to the Navajo Nation to conduct a Back Yard Bible Club in 2018 we NEED you to contact us ASAP. We will have limited dates and availability for groups the summer of 2018. We LOVE our Back Yard Bible Clubs; and this year it is our prayer to reach out to Kayenta once again and also into the rural area of Black Mesa.

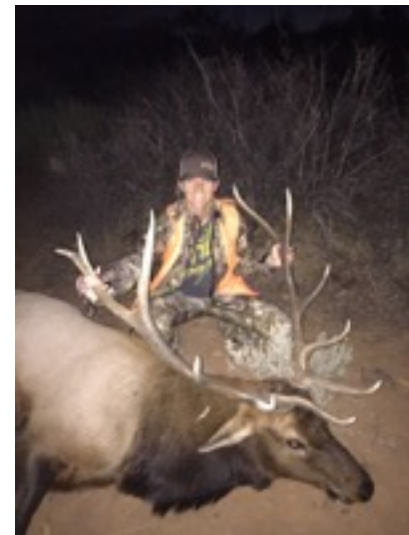
Construction Groups: We would like to extend an invitation to any groups who would like to make a trip to the reservation and help us with construction projects. These groups would best be scheduled on a Friday-Monday. We always have many areas of maintenance that we could use help with and you would be a great blessing to the church.





Christmas Shoebox Ministry: We will be continuing our Shoebox Ministry Christmas 2018; We would like to maintain the size of this ministry outreach and have a goal of 400 Christmas boxes to hand out this year. If you have participated in this outreach previously we will follow the same outline for 2018. We will share more ways of how you can be involved in this ministry opportunity this fall.

Men's Hunting Camp: This outreach we have watched grow over the past few years and never did we imagine the amount of work, and the joy of the harvest that this ministry would bring. Bro. Andy came up with this idea several years ago out of his love of hunting, and the dream of many to harvest a Rocky Mountain Elk or Mule Deer. Colorado can be a difficult place to hunt, and many of the rules and regulations can seem overwhelming to those who seek to come to Colorado to hunt. As part of our Men's Hunting Ministry Andy will help you apply for your tag, understand the rules and regulations, and share some ideas on places to set up your hunt. We also set up tents with heaters, and basic cooking supplies at camp for you don't have to bring as much when you travel. What we do not cover as part of our camp: we do not hunt with you. Andy takes off from work the time that he is able to and will be at the camp, but you still have to put in the hours, miles and work to harvest a beautiful Rocky Mountain Elk. Now, all of the sales pitch out there... we are booked full for 2018! Andy is taking two weeks for this ministry this year, and at this time we do not have the availability for any additional hunters. So, the sales pitch was to encourage you that if you have been considering joining us for this ministry outreach we are now taking names for 2019.



Personal Prayer Request:

This upcoming year our family will experience many changes as we bring Trenton to college in August, and see him graduate in May. As this is a very exciting time in every Seniors life it is a new parenting step for us.

Andy continues to work a full time in Durango, Colorado to supplement our families needed personal income and insurance needs. God has blessed us with growth in our Mission Income but at this time we still rely on Andy's wage income for many of our needs. It is due to Andy's

full time schedule and Ministry schedule that we do not have plans to do any deputation in 2018. We will gladly conference call, FaceTime, or present a dvd update to any church who wishes this communication. We praise the Lord for your faithfulness in supporting our ministry the past six years, we would love to extend an invitation to all of you to visit that ministry that you support in prayer and finances. It would be our blessing to have you visit and see the Navajo Nation that God has called us to.

As I am coming to a close for our news letter, I just have to end by saying God is good!!!! In May we will begin our seventh year of ministry to the Navajo Nation! NEVER did I think that we would have a waiting list for any ministry outreach that we did, and never did I think that the time would pass so quickly. But here we are and we can easily say that we have never been hungry, and we have never been bored! Thank you for your continued prayers and support of our family and the ministry that the Lord has called us to. We are blessed to be your missionaries to the Navajo Nation.

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