## Smoke Signals... From the McKinneys

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October / November 2021 TO THE FAITHFUL,

Every once in a while, the Lord allows us to go through times of trouble that is overwhelming. It is a time when we can't understand the reasons of it nor able to put the pieces together just to get a grasp of the Lord's doing, but it becomes a time when we fully put our trust in the unfailing God that He is, and wait.

On October 21, 2021, I got a call from the Pastor of the Tacoma Indian Baptist Church. His family had just faced some of the worst moment any family could face. Most of you have heard of this tragedy and a lot of you responded to help in prayers and finances, and we want to say "Thank You". I was there and I can say it took much of the hurt away knowing other churches cared for their family. They were overwhelmed by the goodness of God's people! I am not going to comment on what took place except that it was a senseless act of violence upon a Christian family that loves the Lord.

Keep praying for Bro. Louie and his five daughters and son as they move forward in the will of the Lord. Bro. Louie was speaking for his family when he said, "I forgive this man for killing my loved ones and we want him to be saved."

The Apostle Paul said, "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good," and it was Joseph who said, "You thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring it to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive."

Your prayers are at work and keep them in prayers ......thanks!

In November, my wife and I went to Talihina, Ok to preach in a revival meeting at the Grace Indian Baptist Church. On Saturday, there was a Bible Conference all day and we were blessed to hear different tribal pastors come together and we had a great day.

My wife was a speaker at the Ladies Meeting along with other speakers. Ron Burney and I closed the meeting Sunday morning and the Lord showed His grace to save a man named Jonathan....keep him in your prayers.

My wife and I needed that meeting for the fellowship of Pastors and their wives and the food was so good.....those ladies can cook, that makes for a good meeting!!!

I am writing this letter a day before Thanksgiving Day and we are in Tacoma to spend it around our kids and grand kids. We have 12 grand kids from 21 years to 3 years. A long time ago, I told my kids that I wanted 12, and they obliged me. The oldest (Gabrielle) is graduating from the Washington State University next month and turning 22 in January. The youngest (Eleanor) just turned 3 and is Gabrielle's sister. I love all my grand kids and the Lord keeps them in a very special place in my heart and I am very much like you...amen?

The Lord has been good to us, we have been married for 48 years, been saved 46 years and in ministry for 43 years....We are Thankful!!!

Praise the Lord and we still need your Prayers, and we love you people!!!

Larry and Regina McKinney