

The HAYNES FAMILY

Missionaries to the Navajo Nation



"...Streams in the desert." Isaiah 35:6 b

Dear Pastor and Church,

Fall #1 September – October 2016

FALL UPDATES 2016 #1

This will be the first of two updates within a couple of weeks of each other. This year has been our busiest and there is much to report. I trust they will be an encouragement to you as you partner with us here in Navajoland.



NAVAJOLAND BAPTIST REVIVAL AND ORDINATION OF BRO. RYAN NEZ

Every August we have a revival meeting to help kick off the year at Ganado Baptist Bible College. We invite the church-plants that have been started under Ganado Baptist Church as well as other churches in the area. We had a wonderful lineup of speakers this year. **Our former pastor, Dr. Bob Smith, was the main speaker. We also had Bro. C.W. Fisk and Creek Evangelist Ernest Best. Each of the speakers also taught in the College and was a real blessing to the students. There were soulwinning activities and door knocking at some of the church-plants.**

One of the highlights of the meeting was the ordination of Bro. Ryan Nez to the Gospel Ministry. **Bro. Ryan and Amber and family have been sent out of Ganado Baptist Church to start Old Paths Baptist Church in Window Rock, the Tribal capital.** He was examined by a council of godly preachers who then recommended his ordination to the church. I was proud to see Ganado Baptist step up to the plate in this area. **Navajo churches should send out men to start Navajo churches.** Pray for the Nez family. There will be more about the new church-plant later.

20 YEARS ON THE REZ



On August 22, 1996 my wife and family and I moved from Springtown, Texas to the Navajo Nation. It has been 20 years of every emotion imaginable. There have been high mountaintops and deep valleys. Sounds like life, doesn't it? Most of all it has been amazing. **There is no credit due to the Haynes family for the work that God is doing on the Navajo Nation. We have sought to be His servants among a great people. Churches are being planted and people are being trained. It is an honor to be used of the King to serve the Navajo people. Make no mistake – they are a great people and our Great God has a desire to use them to further His cause and kingdom.** This past August, **the people graciously honored Mrs. Haynes and me for our years of service here.** They gave us a 2005 Ford truck which has already been a valuable work tool here on the Reservation. Perhaps the Lord will give us 20 more years if it is His sweet will. **Many of you have**



been with us on the journey for many years, some for all 20. It is your prayers and support that have enabled us to do the work here. "Thank you" seems so inadequate, but THANK YOU!

BIRTH OF OLD PATHS BAPTIST CHURCH



On September 11, 2016 Old Paths Baptist Church was started. Bro. Ryan and the folks had an opening day total of 17 and have had a high day of 39. They are now holding mid-week services that have gone very well. **They have had a high day of 27 at the mid-week service. There have been folks saved in their personal soulwinning as well as a lady saved during a service.** It is a marathon and not a sprint, but it sure has started well! **One of the main needs for the new work is a church site. They are currently meeting in a motel. Pray that doors will open in our Lord's timing as to a permanent meeting place for the church.**

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