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Missionaries to the Navajo Nation



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

Dear Pastor and Church,

December 2018

FINISHING UP

December was an extremely busy month as we closed out 2018. Here are some of the highlights:

Elroy is a man that I have known for several years. His son and daughter-in-law both made professions of faith many years ago in Ganado. Sadly, their marriage did not last, and they moved away. I would see Elroy's son upon occasion and watched his life spiral downward. I saw the son one day and he was in terrible shape and said, "Pastor, I really need your help." We exchanged numbers but the young man tragically died a few weeks later. Elroy's wife also died of cancer. I had been burdened for his soul and I went to visit him along with my son-in-law, Missionary Nick Dunn, and two of my grandsons. **I told him I**



needed to tell him something I had shared with his son years before. Elroy bowed his head and trusted Christ. Please pray for him as we work to get him into the church family. Soulwinning still works!

We also had the privilege of **being a part of a great service at Strong Hold Baptist Church in Pinon. We took some of our folks from Ganado and when everyone was counted, there were at least 180 in the service. Nick Dunn was able to preach and there was a great response.**



Two young men were also baptized to close out the year, Jason and Mykel. Pray for them as they are very faithful to our services and we are praying for strong spiritual growth in both of them.



My mentor, Dr. Harold Noble, retired from the pastorate. We were able to go to his retirement luncheon and say a few words about the influence he has had on work among the Navajo. It was a wonderful time of reminiscing. Those early days in Steamboat were instrumental in preparing us for the work that was to come. Praise the Lord for those who are willing to train others!

FOLLOWING UP

God is always good, and He was good to us again in 2018. There were great victories as well as challenges to be sure. We had the joy of seeing **12 folks saved in the church services at Ganado. Eight people followed the Lord in baptism. During our VBS here at Ganado there were 18 saved.** Many others were saved at the VBS meetings held at the various missions under the authority of Ganado. The College continues to help prepare people for the ministry.

FORWARD MOVING

We anticipate a busy year in 2019. A new work will be planted this year, Lord willing, in Crownpoint, New Mexico by Bro. Aaron Nelson. Chambers Baptist Church will become indigenous in May of 2019 and come out from under the authority of Ganado Baptist. Bro. David Moncibaiz will be ordained and become the pastor. A new building is to be built in the Window Rock area for Old Paths Baptist Church. Major remodeling will continue at Ganado as we repair two old buildings to add Sunday School space and a Fellowship Hall. We hope to find land for dorms for Ganado Baptist Bible College. Revivals, soulwinning, Rodeo Revivals, VBS, Missions Conferences, all the things that you help us with through your prayers and financial support, will continue on this summer as we seek to reach Navajoland for Christ. Thank you for making a difference!!

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