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## Oh, what a week!

Sunday afternoon once was, in the absence of more exciting things to do, a time to watch a golf tournament on TV...usually resulting in quick passage into slumberland. This Sunday brings a time of reflection on the events of the past week. And oh, what a week it has been at Hikiwan!

Watching God working through successive challenges intertwined with successive new provisions to help Pastor Pete and his family this week go through some hard difficulties has been wonderful, but quite exhausting. As we shared a meal Wednesday evening while traveling with the whole extended Reede family, I wanted to express to them what an honor it is for Thurleen and me to be part of their family. They all roared back, "Oh no...the honor is ours." I am humbled.

You may remember that on Christmas Eve, Nora and Pete heard that their son Conrad had passed away. The loss of a child is enough to



demolish a big chunk of the heart of a mother and dad, but having to deal with the resulting matters of estate with compounded complexities...and in dual Indian reservation jurisdictions was, well, hard. ...Especially without the benefit of legal counsel. But, as Christians, "...we have an *advocate* who is Jesus Christ"

1 John 1:2

And, at **exactly at the right time and the right place** for the Reede family, the *Advocate* showed up, in the form of a "long-lost" cousin who is qualified professionally and who could on the spot provide the needed help and assurance.

What a testimony of answered prayer!

## Prayer Answers

In the last issue of this newsletter, I wrote about a critical need for a windshield for Pete's truck. Our partners responded quickly. About the time the third pledge came in, for some reason I was impressed that we needed to acquire some tires. I wasn't sure why because the tires looked pretty good. What I didn't know yet was that later *that evening* the Reede's had a tire shed its tread after another one had developed a knot on it. Now we need to put new tires on it too.

But God kept staying ahead of us. Pledges and deposits came in for the windshield. Then I got a call Monday from a dear brother in Illinois. He said, "You happened to put

enough information on the message, and I just called Mrs. Somers at the glass company and gave her my credit card for the windshield." Wow! Now we can buy tires too! Truly, "He knows your needs before you ask."

Jehovah Jireh was not through. Under the "ALSO" heading I reported a need for a new stove and kitchen work for the Reede family. The first step in the project is to install a new electrical service entrance. We now have received a promise to cover the materials for that work. I wonder if a family or group might be working on funding for an electric range.

UPDATE: *Before I could complete this newsletter article, we have just been told that a new electric range will be provided...from here on the reservation! Now I can buy some materials to build basic starter cabinets!*

## What's in a cup?

by Thurleen Bain

My love for a good cup of coffee goes back to my childhood, although at that time, it was mostly milk, sugar and a little coffee. My dad and I had a special time very early each morning sharing a pot of coffee. Starting as early as 3:00 AM, he would plan out his work day on the farm while strumming on his guitar.

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I would do my homework. He was my Daddy, and I was his little girl. Until his death, we always had pleasure in sharing a good cup of coffee.

I also enjoy a good cup of tea, especially with my good friend when we have a "run away from home" day. Sometimes we giggle like teenagers, getting strange looks from people close by who do not understand how two "mature" gals can have such joy in the Lord!

As I write this, it is the week preceding Easter. Some refer to it as "Holy Week". At this time of the year, my thoughts always go to *The Cup*. At the Last Supper Jesus took the cup, gave thanks and told the 12 disciples to divide it among themselves. Likewise, he took the bread, gave thanks, broke it and gave it to them saying, "This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me" "Likewise also, the cup after supper, saying, this cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you." Luke 22:19-20 KJV.

We fast-forward to Gethsemane. "And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast and kneeled down, and prayed, Saying, Father if thou be willing, remove this cup from me; nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done. And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him. And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground." Luke 22:41-44 KJV.

The contents of this cup caused Jesus to ask his Father to remove it, and yet he said, "not my will, but thine be done." When he looked at the contents of the cup, Jesus sweat great drops of blood. The contents were so vile; an angel from Heaven had to stand by him to give him strength as he "drank" it. What was in the cup? Every sin committed by every person from Adam who has or ever will live. Jesus, blameless and without sin, the sacrificial Lamb of God, willingly received my sin, your sin, all of mankind's sin.

Because Jesus paid the price, my cup is filled with "living water". What's in your cup?

Thurleen Bain

## New "Day Trip" mission initiative in development

Traditional mission teams do a great job implementing VBS, but typical Native American churches do not have enough workers or enough resources to do follow-up. We have seen more than 30 children participate in VBS at Hikiwan, so we are seeking a way to develop an ongoing children's/youth ministry.

To meet that need, "Day-Trip" missions, where small group teams from perimeter churches will travel into the reservation to facilitate VBS's, possibly Saturday Bible Clubs, Sunday School and Children's Church on a regular basis, beginning on a one or two event per month schedule.

Day Trip mission teams will work to assist the local Native American church, who with it's pastor will retain authority over all programs and activities, including selection of culturally sensitive study materials. Teaching will be of simple and sound Biblical doctrine. Food, supplies, and purposeful prayer support will be provided by the partnering church.

The imperative is to model a Youth/Children's worship, evangelism, and discipleship experience in the local church, partnering with the Native American believers so that they can eventually advance on their own as they see fruit in numbers and local workers, and their confidence and resources are bolstered.

While details of the ministry work will be adjusted as the Holy Spirit leads, a regular routine will be established so that successive Day-Trip teams can assure that a uniform experience can be expected from week to week no matter who the volunteer leaders/facilitators happen to be.

The on-field full time missionaries will provide support services, coordination, oversight, and culture based training.

The Day Trip volunteers are fulfilling the Great Commission and Acts 1:8.

They are missionaries.

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Christ Fellowship Community Church

A "Hub" for the Christian Community in the entire western half of the Tohono O'odham Nation, the church is a great facility for conferences and revivals. Except for schools, It may be the largest meeting space in the TO nation.

### NEEDS:

- Energy efficient light fixtures
- Energy efficient heating system
- New roof (62 squares; Sanctuary)
- New metal roof and substructure (Ramada)
- Stipend for unpaid pastor
- Sound system upgrade
- Good minivan (or church van )

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