



# On the Rez With *The Moraleses* June/July 2025

Blessings on you all who partner with us in serving the Lakota people of Pine Ridge Reservation. Normally we wait until the end to make our needs known to you but because of the urgency, we wanted to let you know upfront.

For the last few months our support has been short about \$500/month. We had some money set aside that has been sustaining us but that is about to run out. Would you please pray and ask the Lord if He would have you support us monthly? If you decide to do so, can you please let us know so we can keep track of where we are? Also, if you have any part-time remote admin work, please let Crystal know. She would be happy to help with that, if it's a good fit for you both. Thank you!

We have entered the business of Summer, and that always has its challenges but we are thankful to God who always brings us through. For those of you who have kept up with our newsletters, you've heard how I, and one of the members of our church, a veteran named Lewis Crazy Thunder, have been training four young Lakota teenage boys in boxing, and how the oldest has been doing really well in amateur bouts. Well he showed me a fight night coming up to honor two Lakota brothers who passed away over a year ago, because he wants to be part of it. When I saw the poster, and the names of the men it made me sad. I knew both of them from the jail ministry. I'd prayed with them and seen one of them come to our church when he got out. I lost track of them so I had no idea they had died. It's a sad reminder that life is but a breath, and how it is so important for the people we know to hear the gospel from us, because we never know what day could be their, or our, last. I know they heard the gospel more than once, so I can only hope they made things right with God before the end.

On a lighter note, we just finished our Summer Bible Club, and everything went smoothly for the most part. We had between 25 and 30 kids, from ages 6-11, every Monday night for the last 6 weeks. The theme was transformation, and how Jesus transforms lives. They saw skits of Bible characters like Paul, Peter, the Samaritan Woman, and Nicodemus, and how they were changed by Jesus. They also got to hear testimonies from me, Crystal, members of our church, and visiting helpers that clearly impacted some of them. One young boy in response to one of the testimonies, said he asked God if he was part of God's plan and he heard God say "Yes, you are part of My plan." It really moved us to hear that. We are thankful to Journey church from nearby Rapid City, Harmony Baptist Church, and a few others who came and helped us with feeding the kids, organizing games, putting together crafts, acting in skits, among other things during this time as well as with church projects, our open gym time for the community, as well as jail ministry. We had a young man named Spencer, who has visited with a team in the past, come and help us in all areas of our ministry for 3 weeks. He was a true blessing to our team and the people in our community.

Jail ministry has continued to run smoothly. We have gone through a series teaching on God the Father, who Jesus is, the Holy Spirit, and the fall of man. We followed up the fall of man with salvation. We had lots of interaction from the men during these meetings. Lots of questions and interest. Some were definitely touched by God and received prayer. We hope to continue to have relationships with these men once they get out so please keep that in prayer.

As far as boxing, the oldest continues to do well. He lost more weight in a healthy way, started at 260, going down to 235 for his first fight, then fighting a golden glove winner to a draw, and having the same with a silver glove winner, and weighing 209. He is staying with his aunt for the summer and training with some ex pro boxers. It's definitely a better situation for him since when he stayed with his grandma. The adults were all drinking and doing drugs, and he had reached a very dark place, was even suicidal as some of you may recall. He continues to stay in touch by phone and has come by on weekends. He even came last week Thursday, and trained with me. Before that he had asked Lewis for prayer. He had never done that before. He's let me pray for him but never asked until now. I believe God is working in him, so please keep praying. As far as with the other boys, things are kind of at a standstill since about two weeks ago, so pray for us to have wisdom on how to reach out more to use this ministry to reach young Lakota men and lead them to Jesus.

As always, thank you for your prayers and support. We appreciate each and every one of you!



Everly played softball this Summer and loved it☺

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