



Blessings from the Hooghan Nizhoni and Gamerco Churches

SPRING 2021

PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAISES:

- Praise for Corderick and Naquayla renewing their vows.
- Praise that all are well in the churches.
- Praise that Hooghan Nizhoni is open.
- Pray for God's care and keeping for Miss Toni.
- Pray that His will be done in the Southwest.
- Pray for rain.
- For Haley and Jacob's seminary classes.

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We are pleased to tell you in these troubled times that four weeks ago we were able/allowed to open up the Hooghan Nizhoni Church! The Navaho Nation allowed churches to open with the usual restrictions of face masks and social distancing in place. Of course we were all blessed to be in worship again. Actually, and I am not a science fiction guy, it some-

how seemed like a time warp. The only difference is there are several new babies this year! We are not allowed as of yet to have any meals together. That is a struggle in this culture, because it is thought that if Jesus is the good news, then why don't we celebrate with a meal?

Miss Toni will be teaching the children at Hooghan Nizhoni again. That keeps Grandma busy with 15 or so little ones. Right now we have no one else and she is committed to giving them the Word and reading education. I endeavor to teach the depth of the Word in the simplest way possible Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings, as well as at a house church in Camp Verde when we are able to get there. We are studying the helps to "finish well" on the path the Father set before each of us. Right now we have been looking into how prayer keeps us from turning to the right or the left. The Lord called us to teach the word and we will continue to do that.

As I write, part of our first team in 2021 is here from the great Cumberland Valley of Pennsylvania and Maryland. They showed up in the truck that the churches bought for the Mission.

Some folks at the Newport church spearheaded the effort (I will not mention names or other churches as I will certainly miss someone) to bless us with this truck for work teams, to haul garbage, or make deliveries on the rez. It is four wheel drive and four doors, which is perfect for “work at homes” that are back in. Thank you, thank you, and thank you. Certainly the “old Ford Ranger” thanks you! This truck will be a great help to our ministry teams!

Miss Toni and I are ever grateful for the prayer support that is out there for the ministry, our people, as well as for our strength and health. We pray for His care and keeping as well as for His peace and comfort for each and everyone. We thank you for your support for the churches, the people, and ourselves.

“However, I consider my life worth nothing to me; my only aim is to finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me—the task of testifying to the good news of God’s grace.”

Acts 20:24



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