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## **CHIPPEWATOMI NEWS**

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**NEW HOPE**



**SHELTER & TRANSITIONAL HOUSING**



### **LAKE LUCERNE GOSPEL CHAPEL**

Don Dewing, Pastor

Don continues to teach through the book of Mark on Sunday mornings. Bible study will resume in September. We look forward to Vacation Bible School and Wasmogishek Camp.

In May, the Ladies Group concluded the seven-week video series, "The Armor of God", by Priscilla Shirer. What a wonderful time of studying God's Word. Ephesians 6:11: "Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil."

The church carpet was replaced in the sanctuary. We praise the Lord for all of those who gave towards this project. We waited until we had received all of the donations before we ordered the carpet. Praise the Lord. It looks great.

Youth leaders, Benjamin and Ashley Dewing have started teaching Children's Church during the sermon time on Sundays. It is great to have this added ministry. Be in prayer with them.

Be in prayer for this Potawatomi community. Drugs and alcohol are a real problem. We know that the Lord can deliver and restore.

### **WABA NUN-NUNG GOSPEL CHAPEL**

Richard Jensen, Pastor

Dear Friends,

God has brought blessings and changes in the last three months. Beginning in March we started a series on the passion of Christ from the book of Mark. We learned, grew, and were moved to wonder love and praise as we studied the Scripture and progressed toward the crucifixion. For our Good Friday service, we shared a Passover meal like the one Jesus shared with the disciples, and learned about the institution of the Lord's Supper, and how Passover is a type of the sacrifice of Christ. By God's grace more people attended this Passover supper than the last one we gave, including several native people from the community who had not attended previously. The culmination was of course on resurrection Sunday, God's vindication of everything Christ had accomplished on the cross, His exclamation mark on redemption. We stayed in the gospels for two additional weeks studying the appearance of Christ to the disciples on the road to Emmaus, and then His appearance on the shore of the Sea of Tiberias, where He forgave, restored and commissioned Peter. Our time in the gospels was challenging and enriching, but now we are returning to our study of Moses and the children of Israel in Exodus.

God has also opened up a new ministry for us on Sunday afternoon. A man in our church expressed an interest in meeting weekly to study the promises of God. The study and fellowship has been a blessing, and God has since added to our number. It is a great encouragement to meet with other men, study the Scripture, to grow, challenge and exhort one another.



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# SUNNYSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Hello everyone!

While we have had quite the rainy Spring, it feels so nice to have the warm sun shine down and the soft breeze blows against you. The rain has made up for any lack of snow we may have had this past Winter. It's nice to see the creeks, rivers, and lakes higher than they have been.

We have moved into our new house and it already has been such a blessing! To be out of town, with plenty of land for our children to play in, to have more living space, and a much larger kitchen to work out of has been looked upon and waited for with much anticipation. This is our busiest Summer yet, so it's just in time! The Lord's timing is always like that, isn't it? We think we are "running out of time", and yet He has it all worked out and in the end, it's perfect. We are expecting our 10th child in October and since we could not put one more person into the older house, it's with little surprise that this is the right time, as well.

We have been working our way through Revelation in church, with all those bits and pieces to dissect, digest, and consider. It has brought up many good questions and discussions that are quite important to have, especially in the age we live in today. Ours is still a little church, with few in attendance. Yet we know the work of God is not about numbers and how many seats are filled each Sunday (for we all know of churches who's count is through the roof, yet there is no Life inside). Please keep praying for those people in our community who are hurting so much! They are hurting from the choices they have made, the choices of others, and



Malachi and Nathaniel Dewing helping pick up bags  
for The Postal Food Drive

the hardness of heart that so many carry around. These precious people have heard the Gospel and reject Him. They refuse to see that He is the answer to their problems. Pray that we can continually show them Christ's love and forgiveness.

Thank you to every one of you who lift us up in prayer to our Heavenly Father in our daily work here! While it may seem so little at times, your prayers are what keep us going. And thank you to all who support us and the others here at the Mission and the New Hope Shelter. You are helping to meet our basic needs and the needs of those we continue to serve in our community.

In Christ's name,  
Adam & Jennifer Dewing



## DON DEWING NEWS

Don and Teleka Dewing  
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Greetings from  
Northern Wisconsin.

Hard to believe that summer activities are in full swing. Vacation Bible School is coming up as is Wasmogishek Camp, July 17-21, for the children and youth. Pray for those who are joining in the activities as well as the leaders and counselors working alongside Benjamin and Ashley.

The garden was planted in between rain storms. I have yet to get back to any weeding. My shoes just sink in the soft, soaked ground.

The pantry has been blessed with many donations from various sources including the U.S. Postal drive. We so appreciate all the food that we received as well as the many donations to purchase food. Our shelves are well stocked. We have been serving about 160 families a month.

Don and I will be attending the Native Christian Leadership Conference July 20-22, sponsored by CHIEF. It will be held in Bemidji, Minnesota.

Don will be traveling in the fall updating the work of the Mission eastward. We have booked seven churches thus far. Don will also be stopping in to visit supporters along the way. Pray for him as he plans his travels.

We ask prayer for us as we continue to minister here. We both have health concerns and both of us are feeling the aging of the body!

Migwetch for your prayers and support.

## JENSEN NEWS

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Dear Friends,

This letter is sent to you full of thanksgiving and thanksgiving, for all God has done for us.

Thankful listening to my husband singing during his personal worship time. That really sets the tone for our day.

Thankful for a new ladies Bible Study. It is on Wednesday at our house. We are studying John using a Bible verse coloring book and verse study. The other Bible Study has moved to Thursday at the elderly building on the settlement. We are studying the promises of God. I started to bring treats to share along with extra copies of the lesson. I get an excited reception when I show up with homemade treats vs something from Wally World (Walmart).

Thankful my kids come for Junior Church. Most come by themselves without breakfast, on bike or on foot. We do many activities all based on Scripture; games, crafts and lots of food. We are studying the heroes of the Bible. I am challenging them to also memorize a verse a week.

Thankful for the men of our church who stay after for a men's Bible Study. I love to fix a healthy meal for them to eat before the breaking of the Bread.

Thankful for Easter-we had a breakfast at church. Had kids to teach and no snow.

Thankful for Mother's Day, another great breakfast and gave gifts of crochet water bottle holders, and flavored water.

Thankful for you reading this letter. We are able to keep going with your prayers and support.

### Family News

Josiah has landed back in MN. Pray for him getting back in his ministry and family life.

Stephen and Jenna, were victims of a bad storm, wind 2, house and car 0.

Hannah is seeking a possible Air Force enlistment, pray for God's will (not mine!).

Daniel has a nice apartment and seeking more involvement at his church.

I ask for prayers for spiritual growth for all of us, and our people to see Christ in us and a great desire to serve Him.

Love in Christ,  
Cheryl Jensen

### Mole Lake News continued from page 1

The mission pantry has steady traffic with 15 to 20 families coming each week. Our church pantry is also picking up. Five families came in March, eleven in April, and four this month.

Cheryl's ministries have also been increasing. In her ladies Bible study they were studying the names of God. They just recently started studying the promises of God this month. In addition, another lady T has asked to meet with Cheryl to study the gospel of John. So she leads her regular study on Thursdays, and meets with this lady on Wednesdays for individual study. In Junior Church Cheryl focused on teaching the children the crucifixion and resurrection in March and April. Now she is returning to teaching them other key truths from the Bible. One girl in Cheryl's class, H, made a profession of faith in Christ. We are praying and working toward her spiritual growth.

In His Service,  
Pastor Richard Jensen  
Gal. 5:22-23

Prayer requests: Growth, in the church, and both the men's and women's Bible studies. Wisdom, knowledge, understanding, and strength to make the most of opportunities and know how to minister to each individual person. Ongoing health issues.



<sup>22</sup>But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup>gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. (NIV) Galatians 5:22-23



## YOUTH MINISTRIES

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### Family News

It's officially summer and we couldn't be more excited! Since school has gotten out there has been a lot happening in our home and I'm sure the summer will bring even more excitement!

Hope is now 17! Can you believe that?! Setting up college tours, sending out applications as well as working two jobs has and will keep her plenty busy for the months ahead. She is really looking forward to her senior year of High School and we are eager to see what the Lord has in store for her and her future.

Mason (10) just finished his second year of Little League. He played many positions such as short stop, pitcher, and 2nd base, but his favorite position was catcher. He played really well and we are proud of his hard work! Soon he will be starting football practice which will lead us into the next sports season.

JessiLee (8) also finished up her baseball season on the Crandon White, Minor League team. By the end of the season she was making good contact with the ball. She just recently signed up to be a part of the local water ski team. So even with the cold temperatures of the water she is out there water skiing with a smile on her face!

Benjamin and I have been busy with updates to the facility, our home, and preparing for summer groups and events. This past week we had a group here that did outreach with our youth and also did some work projects. Benjamin worked alongside them throughout the week and I stayed back to cook all the meals for the group and the youth. The most recent news is that Benjamin and I have had a pull for many years from the Lord to take our Ministry one step further and about a month ago we were approved to do foster care for the Potawatomi tribe. We are thrilled as a family to pour ourselves into any children that come into our lives and show them the love of the Lord through our daily living.

Even though the weather hasn't been the warmest we were still able to spend some time out on the lake kayaking, paddle boarding and swimming. We are hopeful to do some camping as a family in between the busyness of our summer Ministry events and maybe spend a little more time on the water.

Please keep our family in prayer with all the changes that have taken place as well as the summer events coming our way. Also, please pray for any children that the Lord places with us! We would also like to thank you for your continued support for our family as well as our ministry.

### Youth News

Well the summer has begun the mosquitos are out and kids are in and out on a weekly basis.

We just finished up a small camp with about 10 local kids and 12 from a church in Illinois. We would normally have taken a wilderness camping trip but weather and rain and high water wouldn't allow. So we stayed at our facility and took a couple trips swimming and canoeing. The week went well, some good connections were made and the Gospel was able to be heard.

This upcoming week we have a Vacation Bible School at one of our churches. A great partner in our ministry from Village Church of Bartlett Ill. will be working alongside of us this week. We'll also be able to get few projects done around the mission as well during the week.

We also have our annual Camp Wasmogishek coming up shortly. We have been fortunate enough to have the same group partner with us for the last few years for this camp. That makes each year a little bit easier to do having the group familiar with our kids and the culture.

Ashley and I have also started a Children's Church service during church every Sunday and will eventually start picking kids up for church each week.

This summer is a bit slower than most but God is always good at giving us time when He knows we need it. We are always doing our best to keep in contact with the kids in the community on a weekly basis during the entire year.

Please keep our ministry in your prayers, as well as our family. It's always an encouragement to us to hear how many of you are thinking about us and supporting us in so many ways. We thank you and God Bless.

Benjamin, Ashley,  
Hope, Mason and  
JessiLee

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New Camp Shirts

## Wasmogishek Camp

(Lighting Sky)

This year's camp for ages 8-12 will be July 17-21, 2017!! If you would like to sponsor a camper the cost is \$45.



Craft Time



New Carpet in Stone Lake Church!!



## NEW HOPE SHELTER & TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

Micah Dewing, Shelter Director  
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*Psalm 62:8 Trust in him at all times, you people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge. (NIV)*

Summer around here is full of work groups, repair projects, laughing children, and mosquitos. Throw in some baseball, water balloons, grass mowing, and ice cream and the day's fly by. May and June so far have been eventful and July promises to be hectic so things here are great! It's always a joy to watch the faith in action that summer so often produces.

Our youngest son, Jonah, started working his first real job this summer in a local sporting goods store. He eats, sleeps, and breathes hunting and fishing so he is in his glory stocking fishing supplies and cleaning bait tanks. He had a successful turkey season this year taking a nice tom. He is also taking Drivers Ed this summer and is excited. He is into his second season of spring baseball and switches between pitching and third base. I think baseball is his favorite sport but I wonder if he says that about whatever sport he happens to be playing at the time. He is also looking forward to playing on our church league softball team this year. He goes into 10<sup>th</sup> grade this fall. He keeps us running but he has a great attitude and works hard at whatever he does.

Chase finished college this May with a 4.0 GPA, graduating at the top of his class. We are very proud of all his hard work! He is in his element working with metal and recently left his job of 3 years at a fabricating shop to take a position running CNC machines for an area machine shop. He is excited to be done with school and able to focus strictly on work. He spends his weekends fishing, playing horseshoes, or going to the movies with his girlfriend Brooke. Brooke graduated valedictorian of her class this spring and is excited to go to college this fall, pursuing a career in nursing.

Michelle and I were in a motorcycle accident on Mother's Day. A car pulled out into traffic and hit us on the left side. Her left leg was broken mid-way between the knee and ankle. She had 3 surgeries and was in the hospital a week. She will be off work for a while yet, doing physical therapy while the torn muscles and bones heal. We are so thankful that the accident wasn't any worse. Michelle and I have had so much peace, knowing God is in control. Before we left the accident scene in the ambulance Michelle wouldn't let them move her from the road until she could tell everyone standing around this: "Does everyone here know Jesus? Jesus is bigger than any problem here on earth. He has got this. If you don't know Him yet, you should." We are both thankful for the chance to grow in faith and lean on HIS peace, no matter what goes on around us.

Things here at the shelter are slow at the moment. We have 1 single man in emergency shelter, and 1 single man in transitional housing. God's timing is always perfect, when things get busier in one area they usually slow down in another area. Our case manager came back from her mission trip and took a full time position elsewhere so we are again looking for someone to help out doing case management here at the shelter. Kathy's mother just passed away earlier this week so please keep her in your prayers. She and Russ continue to do an incredible job handing most of the everyday needs of the residents. It is such a blessing to have brothers and sisters in Christ that work very well together to split the workload so no one of us is overwhelmed. We continue to do a lot of transportation for our residents. Right now we have empty beds but I don't expect them to stay that way for long, we get calls almost every day. Overall things are going smoothly here at the shelter; our program participation numbers are consistent through these last 7 years. We encourage our residents to join us in church, Bible studies, and fellowship groups but they are not required to attend. Some of our residents are interested in the discussions and message while too many are not. All we can do is provide the opportunity.

In the last 7 years we have served more than 227 residents providing almost 11,000 shelter nights. Annually we receive approximately 120 calls from people looking for shelter. We continue to average about 5 residents per night. We continue to help people transitioning from jail, rehab, and probation/parole providing a stable supervised place from which they could find employment and seek housing. Please keep in prayer our staff as we struggle to reach out to our residents. We are praying for opportunities to minister to not only their physical needs but also their spiritual needs. Please continue to pray for our residents as they struggle to grasp hold of stability and sobriety.

Thank you for your continued prayers. It is through your persevering faith in God's ministry here that we are able to keep doing His work in our community. We are so thankful for your donations of time spent in prayer on our behalf, the gifts of day-to-day supplies, and your generosity of financial support that keeps us moving forward in HIS perfect plan. In His Service,  
Micah Dewing, Shelter Director

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*The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.*

*Psalms 34:10*

## PRAISES

New Carpet in Stone Lake Church  
Adam and Jennifer Dewing House Progress  
Samuel Dewing Progress  
Camp Funds  
½ of Gym Roof Replaced  
Shelter Supplies Donated  
2017 Shelter Funding

## PRAYER

Shelter Staff – Volunteers – Residents  
Shelter Case Manager Position to be filled  
Local Bible Studies  
Kathy Clark Family  
Benjamin Dewing Family Support  
Health Concerns  
Vacation Bible School  
Summer Camps



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## SHELTER NEEDS AND WANTS

### Top Needs

Toilet Bowl Cleaner  
Laundry Detergent  
Dish Soap  
Mouthwash  
Shaving Cream  
55 gal garbage bags  
Gas Cards: Mobil, Shell, Marathon  
Phone Cards: Tracfone, Straight Talk

## MISSION NEEDS

2017-2018 Homeless Shelter Funding

## We Accept *PayPal*

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## AmeriGas Community CARE

The mission has joined the **Community Care** program from **AmeriGas**. For each gallon you buy from **AmeriGas** they will donate \$.02. This will be given in support of New Hope Shelter. When you receive your bill, send in the **Community/School Days** receipt included with your bill to us here at P.O. Box 187, Crandon, WI 54520. We will collect them and send them on to **AmeriGas**. We can receive up to \$2,000 each year!!

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