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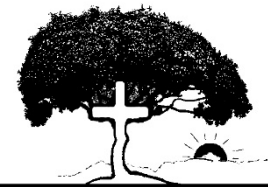
## **CHIPPEWATOMI NEWS**

P.O. BOX 187

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**JUNE 2019**

**NEW HOPE**



SHELTER & TRANSITIONAL HOUSING



### **LAKE LUCERNE GOSPEL CHAPEL**

Don Dewing, Pastor

We are so grateful that the Lord is with us in trials and in rejoicing. Tribal Security found the church building

broken into and vandalized the evening of June 6. Lots of glass was broken from the front doors and Don's office. The inside showed lots of items on the floor, furniture overturned, items from the office scattered, food out of cabinets in kitchen and freezer items scattered as well as coffee makers and coffee. Damage was also found to the sound system, microphones and duplicator. A number of items were also missing. We are grateful there were no injuries. Things can be replaced. We are a strong warrior church and are praying for those responsible. Be with us in prayer as we begin the process of replacing items and deciding what else needs to be done.

Join us for VBS on June 17-21. We look forward to those coming from Illinois to teach and share with the children. Wasmogishek Summer Camp will be July 22-26. Consider sponsoring a child for camp.



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

Richard Jensen, Pastor

Dear Friends,

We finished our study of the Passion of Christ on resurrection Sunday. We have now resumed our study in I Corinthians, which is exploring a variety of topics including wisdom, church unity, the godly use of Christian freedom, pride and church discipline. It has been hit and miss with some church members on Sunday morning because of recovery time from various surgeries, and other ongoing medical problems. We ask your continued prayer for them. Two members are suffering from cancer, and two others are recovering from major surgery. Junior Church has been busy for the ladies and children. Nancy taught various Bible stories until April when Cheryl resumed her teaching ministry. More children have been coming. We were averaging five, now we have eight to ten each week. We are thankful to God for these blessings. Cheryl spent April teaching on the importance of the death and resurrection of Christ. No matter what she is teaching, she weaves the gospel into every lesson. This month Cheryl is teaching lessons on forgiveness, and the Trinity.

The pantry ministry has gone through some changes. Feeding America will no longer permit us to buy food from them because our pantry is not large enough, however God has abundantly blessed us so the ministry continues. We shop carefully at Aldi's for food items. God has provided the means for us to be good stewards of the money entrusted to us.



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# SUNNYSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Hello to all of our friends!

The sun is shining with a glorious light these days! The blue sky and green grass just shimmers with new life and the promise of re-growth. We have seasons in our life where the growth is minuscule at best and the outlook is very dim and discouraging. Then the season changes and we have this beautiful explosion of new growth, where the colors of our life are in bold contrast to the drabness of the winter. When the rain comes down to give nourishment to the new growth, it can be strong and powerful, washing away the top layer to seep down into the roots. God's light is like that. It needs to wash away some of the top layer before it can get down into the roots of our spirit, shining His light where growth needs to happen. This washing can be painful, but it is a much needed washing!

We had a beautiful Easter. One never knows if there will be snow on the ground or not. Fortunately, this year we had grass, even if it wasn't green yet. Many people came to the service who don't usually come. It was a pleasure to see their faces! We had an evening Easter Service this year where we enjoyed good conversations with each other. Afterward, the children all enjoyed running around finding the eggs that were hidden. What a joy it is to hear their laughter!

As we have mentioned before, the Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) have graciously offered to build us a new church at Carter. It will be about 5,800 sq ft with a fellowship hall, kitchen, bathrooms, nursery, and a large open sanctuary. At our last meeting, the ground breaking had a possible date of mid-July with a finished date of the end of October. It would be wonderful to be in the new building for Thanksgiving!

Attendance each week continues to be low but we are not focusing on the numbers. We are focusing on the relationships that we make with each individual in our community and churches for we live here too, right along-side each other. It can be discouraging at times but we try and remind ourselves that He has us here for a reason and that reason is that He loves the people. How can they hear if no one will talk? How can they learn if no one will teach? We are ambassadors for

Christ, showing the way to others on how to have true life.

Thank you for your prayers! Only our Father in heaven knows the words that are spoken in His ear on our behalf. He is the One who gives us strength and your prayers give us the encouragement! Please continue to pray that we can live our lives the way He wants us to. Even if we never see the growth, we pray that seeds are planted. Please pray that the people who are being touched by God's light will grow and not be discouraged.

In Christ's name,  
Adam & Jennifer Dewing



## DON DEWING NEWS

Don and Teleka Dewing  
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Spring has come and gone and summer has arrived. The garden has been planted and the children are out of school. The air is full of mosquitos, flies and pollen.

Our family enjoyed a time of vacation the end of May. We traveled to Pennsylvania to camp, fellowship and celebrate at the Dewing Family reunion. It was sure good to see so many family members. All of Don's siblings were there. Those six also came with most of their children and grandchildren.

We are looking forward to ministry and work groups which start arriving in the coming weeks. So many hands accomplish much work here at the mission and at the churches.

The Pantry ministry is going strong. We are so grateful for all the donations that have come in. The May 11 Postal food drive gathered lots of shelf stable food. Two other food pantries have given us several truckloads of food including bread items, dairy, meat and desserts. Soon we will have produce from the garden as well. We served 165 families in April and 168 in May. Praise the Lord.

Prayer requests include Adam as he continues to heal from a second ankle surgery in May. His first surgery was in January and he is still not walking. Pray for the summer groups that will be coming shortly. May all see Jesus in them. Pray for Don and I for health issues.

Thank you so much for your prayers and support. We are grateful.

## JENSEN NEWS

Richard and Cheryl  
Jensen

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Dear Friends,

May is here and nearly gone. Gone too is our snow and icy wind. It has been a cruel winter.

I look forward to summer in Wisconsin, ever changing and sleeping with the windows open.

This letter finds me back in Junior Church teaching my kids. My feet continue to heal and doing my stretching exercises may help with my back pain caused by wearing the foot boot too long.

My encouragement comes from daily study in God's Word, your cards, and boxes of items for our give-away table at church.

What a joy it is to hear my kids read the Bible out loud, and say their monthly verse. Last Sunday I made edible slime for them, it was messy but fun.

Our people are in much pain and need to believe that Jehovah God is for them. We thank you for remembering our people in your prayer time. There is a war on drugs and it is strong here. We know God is here and He loves our people.

Our family is scattered over the world. We would ask prayers of courage, wisdom and hunger for God for each one.

I would ask for items of socks for children, men and women for our give-away table. This has been a great outreach each month.

Love in Christ,

Cheryl Jensen



## *Waba Nun-Nung News continued from page 1*

He has also moved on the heart of His people to make contributions to the pantry fund so that we can stay open and help needy families. Our church pantry helped eight families in March and eight families in April. Our pantry this month was on the 19th and 4 families came for help. The mission pantry serves 12 to 15 families each week. I enjoy working in each of them because it gives me the opportunity to connect with people in the community in an atmosphere that is relaxed and casual. People who come in are more open and often share prayer needs and we pray together. There are often opportunities to share a word of testimony for the Lord. Thank you for your prayers and support that sustains us in this work.

In His Service,  
Pastor Richard Jensen  
Isaiah 8:20



Charles W. Ackley  
7-5-1922 to 5-30-2019

Chuck Ackley, "Anungounce" Little Star, passed on to Glory on May 30, 2019. Chuck and his wife Naomi loved the Lord and were one of the 4 founding families that helped build and start the Waba-Nun-Nung Gospel Chapel in the late 1950's. The church is located on the Chippewa Reservation in Mole Lake, Wisconsin. Chuck served on the board of the Midwest Indian Mission, Inc. for many years. Back in November of 1974 Chuck was on the Mission board when Don and Teleka Dewing were applying to work with the Mission. At that time Chuck said he thought they would not last long.

Keep the Ackley family in your prayers.



## YOUTH MINISTRIES

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### Family News

School is out and we couldn't be more excited! Between the warmer weather, family time, and summer ministry there is never a dull moment.

Hope just finished up her first year of college and is now home for the summer. We are excited to have her back because things just weren't the same without her. With Hope's drive to stay busy and her incredible work ethic she has 2 jobs already for the summer break. She will be also helping us with ministry whenever she can.

Mason is done with his first year of middle school and he seems to think it's necessary to tell us often that he will be taking drivers education classes in just 2 years. I'm not ready for him to grow up so fast. He is in full swing of Little League and a traveling baseball team again this year. He really enjoys the game and staying active.

JessiLee's class is going to be the oldest on the elementary side this next school year. It's strange to think of the kids being that old already. Jess is also involved in softball again and just started practice for the water ski show last week with her first show in two days. Oh, and just in case you are wondering the water temperature is 58°. Brrr...

Over Memorial Day our family traveled out to Pennsylvania for our family reunion. We enjoyed much needed laughter and time with family, however we ran into some trouble when we were getting ready to come home. Our transmission overheated and that left us with no choice but to rent a car to make it home. Our vehicle is currently in New York state and we will hopefully be making a trip soon to go back to get it.

At this time, we ask for your prayers for our family, safe travels to and from New York when the time is right, our summer ministry events as well as the groups coming to work alongside us. Thank you for your continued support and prayers.

Migwetch,  
Benjamin, Ashley and Family



## Youth News

Hello again!

It's summer time in the great northern country! That usually brings in two things;

summer missions and mosquitoes! They both are upon us! We have some great opportunities planned to share the gospel this summer. We start off with a VBS at two of our Church's in the next three weeks. One team is a long-time partner from Illinois, another is a church new to us from Minnesota that we are looking forward to working with. Those particular events will be taking place in the Stone Lake (Potawatomi) and Mole Lake (Chippewa) churches. Following those events will be our summer camp. It is always my favorite week of the summer. We have our good friends from Evansville Indiana coming back again this year.

We're also looking forward to having another VBS in Carter church this summer with a team from Michigan. Many of the teams will also be helping out with different work projects around the mission as well. We also have some teams that are coming specifically to just do work this summer. They will be helping out with construction projects around the mission, working at the churches, and helping with the food pantry and shelter. These groups are vital to us each summer and help us accomplish things we couldn't do by ourselves.

Please join us in prayer for the youth we will be spending much time with this summer and for the teams that will be working alongside us this summer. We pray that the gospel will be presented and lived out in such a way as to reach as many as possible.

We appreciate each and every one of you who give financially and prayerfully. Your love and support in many ways greatly blesses our family and our ministry. May God's blessings be upon each and every one of you.

Benjamin and Ashley Dewing  
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Youth Ministry



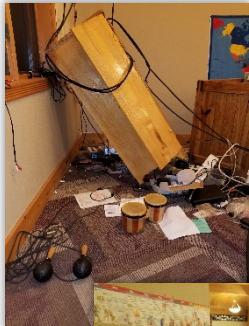
# GEARING UP FOR SUMMER



CAFETERIA TILE FINISHED  
READY FOR CAMP



PLANTING THE GARDEN



DAMAGE TO STONE  
LAKE CHURCH





## NEW HOPE SHELTER & TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

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*Love is patient, love is kind. Love does not envy, is not boastful, is not arrogant, is not rude, is not self-seeking, is not irritable, and does not keep a record of wrongs. 1 Corinthians 13:4-5*

This passage always sounds so beautiful to me. I love the words and yet my flesh rebels when I have to apply them to my every-day. Some days are easy, and then I get out of bed and everything just goes downhill from there. All kidding aside, too often we love the principles of God's Word and yet cringe or ignore Him when we are convicted of our shortcomings. I am practicing patience, kindness, contentment, modesty, humility, politeness, altruism, tolerance, and forgiveness. Some of these I find easier to apply than others but God keeps blessing me with opportunities to work on those areas I need the most help in. Are we thankful for the opportunity to grow or are we just annoyed? I guess now that I think about it I will have to add "gratitude" to my list.

I think we jumped from the chill and dampness of late winter directly into mosquito season here. Mosquito season is very similar to summer in Wisconsin except that it lasts longer than a couple of weeks and comes with a lot of scratching and unsuccessful swatting. We are hoping to do some traveling, fishing, and visiting around the campfire this summer amid the chaos of cramming activity into every last minute of warm weather. As **Proverbs 16:9** says..." *A man's heart plans his way, but the Lord directs his steps.*"

Michelle is enjoying working outside, planting flowers, tending her chickens, and digging around in the raised garden beds she built this spring. Our youngest son, Jonah (almost 17), is working 2 part-time jobs and just finished his junior year of high school. He finished his high school baseball season and is in the middle of his Babe Ruth baseball season. Our oldest son Chase (almost 21) is busy with work and planning his fall 2020 wedding with his fiancé Brooke. Next year is shaping up to be eventful with Jonah graduating, Chase and Brooke getting married, and Jonah going to college that fall.

While we continue to raise funds for our Emergency Shelter program we are still sorting out the details of our Transitional Housing remodeling project. We know that it will be a long term project and that in the end it will likely be different than we expect right now. As always we are praying that God guides and directs this project and we trust His hand in all things. Please be in prayer with us that we continue to walk in His will and obedience to His plan.

We are coming to the end of our 9<sup>th</sup> year of Emergency Shelter operations. Things here at the shelter are going well. We have folks checking in and out just about every week and as of this afternoon we currently have 3 single men and 1 single woman in emergency shelter; and 1 single adult in transitional housing. We are serving a total of 5 households, occupying 3 of our 4 apartments. The 4<sup>th</sup> apartment is occupied by our intern Russ. We have a couple of recently emptied beds but we have had several calls from folks so I expect them to fill up soon. Overall things at the shelter are going as smoothly as we could expect. 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. We pray that He will prepare the hearts of our residents to be open to the Word of God.

Kathy, Eugene, and Russ continue to do an incredible job handling 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. 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.

**NEW HOPE**



In His Service, Micah Dewing - Shelter Director

Consult God's instruction and the testimony of warning. If anyone does not speak according to this word, they have no light of dawn.

**Isaiah 8:20**

**PRAISES**

Pantry Support  
Shelter Supplies Donated  
The freedom to share the Gospel  
Youth Opportunities  
Cafeteria Addition Donations  
Fellowship of the Church  
Seasons of Change

**PRAYER**

Emergency Shelter Operations  
Addiction on the reservation  
Shelter Staff – Volunteers – Residents  
Sunday School Classes  
Youth Group Summer Events  
Ministry Teams  
The person responsible for breaking into and vandalizing Stone Lake Church

**MISSION NEEDS**

2019 Homeless Shelter Funding  
Transitional Housing Funding  
Small Bulldozer



Please consider joining in with us on our camp fundraiser!! Our goal is \$4,000. Last time we greatly exceeded our goal and managed to have funds for two years! God is awesome!! We are back at it again raising funds for this year...or more!!! Please designate your gift as a camp scholarship! Thanks in advance!!



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Mouthwash  
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