

### MIDWEST INDIAN MISSION, INC.

### CHIPPEWATOMI NEWS

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**New Hope** 

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### LAKE LUCERNE GOSPEL CHAPEL

Don Dewing, Pastor

Our solar panels are doing well and in last month's electric statement we received a check from the electric company for \$127. We have had no electric bill to pay since February.

We have had quite a few visitors this summer. It has been good to meet new people and worship together. We had our annual Church picnic on Aug. 28th. We enjoyed lots of good food through the rain drops! Three women were baptized in Lake Lucerne and four children were dedicated to the Lord. Keep these people in your prayers as they grow in the Lord.

The church now has assisted hearing devices available for each service. This is making a difference for so many. We recently added a ramp to the platform as well.

Sunday morning worship begins at 10:15am and is also live streamed. Pastor Don is preaching through the book of Hosea. Bible study resumes at the church on Wednesday, Sept 14, at 6:00pm. Bring your Bible and join us. Keep our community in prayer.

### WABA NUN-NUNG GOSPEL CHAPEL

Richard Jensen, Pastor

Dear Friends,

The months of June, July, and August have been blessed and full. God answered your prayers for camp and VBS. Thirty-seven children came to camp in July, heard the gospel and learned about the armor of God. We were also



abundantly blessed at VBS. The same church came to help this summer as last summer. Though only eight children came last summer our attendance this summer ranged from sixteen to twenty-two. God also answered your prayers for Cheryl as she taught at camp. The children were receptive to the Biblical truth and Cheryl was not sidelined by injury.

In church on Sunday mornings, we moved through Luke 9 to Luke 10. We had several visitors during that time, some from out of town and one who was local. We followed up with a visit. We ask your prayers for his return and salvation. In Junior church Cheryl had several children during that time. Cheryl has focused on the gospel whenever she has children to teach. We have a faithful group of prayer warriors who continue to come on Wednesday to pray throughout the summer. We studied a variety of topics on Wednesday, including the wisdom of God, and integrity. The church pantry serves from two to eight families each month. We had several opportunities to witness both at the church pantry and the mission pantry. Thank you for your prayer and support. In His Service, Pastor Richard Jensen

### SUNNYSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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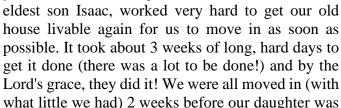


Greetings in Jesus's name!

It's hard to believe that it's already the 2nd week of September. How time has flown by! The trees are beginning to change color, the air at night is getting cooler, and the days are getting shorter. After the heat of summer, fall is a welcomed season!

As a church, we have just finished 1Peter and will be continuing on with 2 Peter. So many good, practical lessons for us are in those pages! In August, one of our church members' stepdaughters passed away. She leaves behind 7 siblings, 2 sons and several grandchildren. Please keep the Shepard family in your prayers, as they grieve.

We, as a family, have had a rough summer. At the end of June, we lost our house and businesses to a fire. Everything was a total loss. Our previous house in town hadn't sold and has been empty for the past 5 years. So, Adam, along with our



born, which was a HUGE answer to prayer!

The newest member of our family is our 4th daughter, Keziah Abigail. She was born August 15 via a c-section. She is our smallest baby by almost a pound, weighing in at 5lbs 8 oz! I (Jennifer) have healed so much better this time (this was my 4th c-section) and I am very grateful for it!

I would like to thank all of you who have prayed for us, sent us clothes, towels, money, and various items!! The amount of support, compassion, and kindness we have received from so many of you, most of whom we have never met, is so humbling. It is a glorious thing to see the body of Christ come together in support of each other, and it's even more amazing when you are the recipient of such a blessing!

In Christs' name, Adam & Jennifer Dewing

# DON DEWING NEWS

Don and Teleka Dewing <a href="mailto:ardtndd@newnorth.net">ardtndd@newnorth.net</a>



Adam and Jennifer's home was destroyed by fire on June 26. Everyone got out of the house, and all are ok. Adam, Jennifer, and their family stayed with Jennifer's mother after the fire and for the first part of July and then after camp stayed with Don and I for 2 ½ weeks. The three girls, 12, 19 and 21 stayed at the shelter until they moved into their former unsold house in town. Adam plans to start rebuilding

this week. Thanks to the many people who have prayed for all of our family. Thanks to you who have sent financial gifts, clothing, household goods and gift cards. Praise God for providing.

Adam and Jennifer welcomed Keziah Abigail Dewing on August 15. She weighed 5 lb. 8

oz. Praise the Lord for this new granddaughter!

Wasmogishek Food Pantry served over 100 families in August. The garden has also produced an abundance of food and I have enjoyed giving out vegetables to shelter residents and those who come

to pantry. Thank you for your financial gifts to help support the pantry. The Lord has blessed.

The Mission held its Annual Board meeting on August 27. We are grateful to George and Ora Hollingshead whose vision led them to the founding of Midwest Indian Mission, Inc. in 1964. Praise the Lord for the many years of ministry and for our board members.

Thank you so much for your faithful prayers for our family. There have been so many trials and roadblocks this summer, but God has been faithful to carry us through.

Don and Teleka Dewing

The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge. My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold and my refuge; II Samuel 22:2-3a



### **JENSEN NEWS**

Richard and Cheryl Jensen

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I am so thankful for the warmth and activities of the summer. It is nice to not have the furnace running.

Camp was extra exciting this year for me, as I was able to teach a Bible class on the armor of God, from Ephesians 6. Much planning, ordering, and studying went on from May to July. I taught three classes each day.

VBS was well attended, our largest since the virus. We are thankful for our supporters coming to teach again this year and do many projects.

We were able to do some traveling and spend time with our kids and grandchildren. I did not think my body could do all the walking we did in two national parks hiking to the waterfalls. I have my good and bad days. I had compliments on my walking sticks. Wednesdays are busy with preparing

food for Bible study and manning the mission pantry. Richard is busy taking prayer requests and loading bags as needed.

Sundays find us singing worship together, as Rick is needing help seeing. This is different for me as I like to be off to the side.

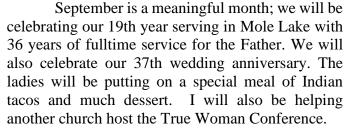
Our church

pantry is well attended, and God has been meeting our financial needs each month as we do our shopping.

All this is possible because of friends like you caring for the people we are caring for.

We say good-bye to the summer and greet the newness of the autumn and all it has to offer.



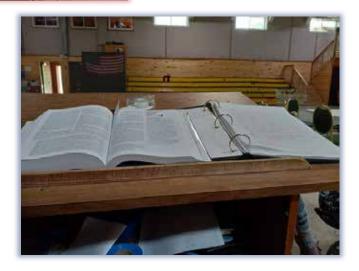


Each of you reading our newsletter are special to us. Each card, package and prayer is truly a gift.

Because of Christ, Cheryl

### **Prayer needs:**

- -Rick as he needs to memorize everything for ministry
- -Men's and lady's gloves, scarves, and travel cups, these are given out during our pantry times at church.
- -Preparations for the conference



In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe. The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.

Hebrews 1:1-3 N/V

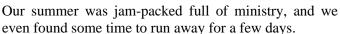
### YOUTH MINISTRIES

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### **Family News**

Summer is over and school has started.



Hope spent most of her summer in prayer and learning to trust the Lord like she has never done before. She had a big task to raise all the support that she needed to be an intern for Cru. With God leading the way, He provided for her, and she met her support goal, praise the Lord! She has moved into her 1st apartment and is learning the ropes being a Cru intern. She is working with college students at UW Green Bay and at St. Norbert College. So far, her report is that things are going great, and, on her behalf, we would like to thank everyone who has reached out to help her in one way, shape, or form.

Mason's (sophomore) summer started off with a new job and traveling for wrestling. Unfortunately, his summer fun was cut short when he broke his collarbone at National Duals in Iowa. He had to have surgery just a few days later. We're happy to report that Mason has healed well, and his last physical therapy appointment is tomorrow. He's been working hard to regain strength and be ready when he's cleared. He's also back to work too!

JessiLee (8th grade) had a summer babysitting job that kept her very busy. There were a lot of days that she did fun activities, experiments, and cooking with the kids. She was able to attend a summer camp at UW Oshkosh for volleyball. It was a good boost to get her ready for volleyball season. She is busy at practices and will have her first game soon.

Benjamin and I had a pretty busy summer with ministry and running with the kids. We are working hard to fundraise for next year's overnight camp any chance we get, which keeps us busy in our free time. Benjamin has been working for a friend to help him out before the snow flies as well as getting things ready for winter around the mission. I have recently started growing an interest in plants and doing some freelance makeup work in the area, between ministry events. Benjamin and I celebrated our 17th anniversary in August. We're thankful the Lord continues to bring us closer every year! Usually, we take a trip with just the two of us, but we took Mason and Jess along with us this time. We went camping in the Duluth, MN area where we did a lot of hiking and exploring. We had a great time!

All in all, even with a few hiccups, it was a great summer. With the cold winter fast approaching, we know that the Lord will provide for the needs of our family, and we trust that He has a plan for it all in the months ahead. Your prayers and financial support for our family and ministry are more appreciated than you'll ever know, thank you!

In Christ, Benjamin, Ashley, and Family

#### **Youth News**

It's hard to believe it's September already! It seems like last week we were waiting for it to warm up and here we are watching it cool back down. The summer seemed to go fast but we got a lot done!

We started things off taking a few young men down to Warrior Leadership Summit, which is a camp put on by On Eagles Wings for native youth. We had a great time learning about God and how we need to stand out in the world we live in and live for Jesus in a time where that definitely isn't widely accepted!

In early July we had a great youth event in the Potawatomi community at the church. We had a long-time returning group from the Village Church in Bartlett, Illinois come up and help run that event. While they were here, they helped with several projects around the mission grounds. They helped cut and split some firewood and saw up lumber. They also helped us build an extra cabin to use for camp and other events as well.

Mid-July we had our annual overnight summer camp. We had around 35 campers during the week! We had a lot of help from all over to help pull together the week, including some family from Ohio, a few teens from Village Church, and several local teens. There was also a lot of help from family and mission staff to fill in where needed. We talked about putting on the armor of God during the week. It was a great time with youth from the community!

Next, we had a VBS at the church in Mole Lake in the Chippewa community. Our friends from Pontiac Methodist Church in Illinois came back again and helped put on that event! We had a great week learning about God and also getting a few projects done as well!! They were a great help!

To cap off the summer we had another team from Village Church come back to do a work project. We replaced the roof on the church in Mole Lake. We were able to get it all done in 4 ½ days!! The men worked hard and got a lot done!

We are just beginning the school year where we look forward to opportunities to work with the youth in the community and also plan for the next summer's ministry work! We thank you for your continued prayers and support! Please be in prayer with us for great opportunities to reach youth in the community, to continue to follow God's plan for His ministry, and also for the youth that heard the gospel this summer.

Ministry needs: Camp funding for 2023, a "new to us" van. If either of those things is something you'd like to help with feel free to reach out and let us know! Thanks again for your support in many ways and God bless!! Benjamin and Ashley Dewing, Youth Ministry





Summer Camp

















# NEW HOPE SHELTER & TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

Micah Dewing, Shelter Director director@newhopeshelter.net

Be diligent to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who doesn't need to be ashamed, correctly teaching the word of truth.

2 Timothy 2:15 csb

This verse (the King James Version) has been resonating in my head for quite a while and recently God has put it on my heart to pursue more formal instruction. Increasingly over the last several years, God has put me in situations to preach, work in small groups, and do

Bible studies. I have learned the necessity of having an intimate knowledge of scripture if I'm going to teach it. Through this process I have grown in ways that would otherwise have been impossible. I applied, was accepted, and have enrolled in seminary, pursuing a Master of Arts in Ministry Studies degree. As of October, I will be something I swore I would never be, a college student. I am absolutely convinced that God has a sense of humor.

Michelle has been busy harvesting the abundance of her garden, preserving the bounty, drying herbs, gathering seeds, and preparing for the first hard frost, which usually happens within the next couple weeks. She is in her element, tending her garden while our furry and feathered friends dodge her steps, hoping she drops something delicious. Our fleet of hummingbirds have joined the other south-bound birds in their migration, while the chipmunks and mice have become diligent in finding new ways to enter and share our home. We continue to find new ways to deter their ardor to make our home their storehouse.

Our youngest son, Jonah (20), continues in his work as a welder in a local trolley manufacturing facility. We are thankful he has full-time employment and works so close to home that we are able to spend time with him regularly. While he enjoys his work, he particularly appreciates his 4-day work week and the 3-day weekends that facilitate his avid hunting and fishing schedule.

Our oldest son Chase (24) and his wife Brooke recently shared the exciting news that they are expecting a baby girl in February. Michelle and I are beside ourselves with excitement about the news of our first grandchild! I'm not sure we have gone into any store within the last month without getting something for the new baby. Michelle insists on useful, practical things like baby clothes and diapers while I lean more towards bags of candy and toys she won't be able to enjoy for several more years. Needless to say, we are all very excited.

Things at the shelter have been consistent. We currently have 4-5 single adults in Emergency Shelter. This number seems to change every few days with some folks leaving and new folks checking in. We currently have 1 single adult in our Transitional Housing program. Locally, employment has remained plentiful although housing remains scarce. Thankfully our residents and staff have been able to stay safe and healthy here with us. Funding is always a concern, and we appreciate your prayers and gifts. We are just into our 13<sup>th</sup> year and God remains faithful in supplying our needs! All of our funding comes from small local churches, individual contributions, charitable groups, and private corporate grants, all of which are a blessing as we trust in God's provision! As always, we are praying that God continues to guide and direct 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 in obedience to His plan. We continue to encourage our residents to join us in church, Bible studies, and fellowship groups but they are not required to attend. We pray that He will prepare the hearts of our residents to be open to the Word of God.

Kathy, Eugene, and Tina 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. Thank you for your continued prayers and support! In His Service, Micah Dewing - Shelter Director



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### Hold on to instruction, do not let it go; quard it well, for it is your life. **Proverbs 4:13** NIV

We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to all those who contributed, either through the work of their hands, financially, or both, to replace BOTH the roofs on the Jensen house and the Mole Lake Church. We are so blessed by the provision of the Lord through the willing hands of HIS people. We are truly thankful for you.

### **PRAISES**

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Staff Travelling
Youth Group Van
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### **MISSION NEEDS**

2023 Camp Funding
Youth Group Van
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