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LAKE LUCERNE GOSPEL CHAPEL

Don Dewing, Pastor

We have enjoyed the two interns from On Eagles Wings Leadership Center, which is a training hub for Native American Youth located in Harrison, Arkansas. They have been worshipping with us since February 28. The ladies are from two different Sioux tribes in South Dakota.

The Ladies Tea, March 21, will have taken place by the time this publication is received. Thanks to all who have worked hard in preparation of this fun event.

On Sundays, Pastor Don has been preaching on the Life of Jesus which is leading us to Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection. The journey to the cross leads us on a journey of faith, trust and the victory of life through Jesus. Acts 16:31 says "*Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved*". We will have Good Friday services on Friday April 3rd at 1:00. Easter Sunday, April 5th, will begin with breakfast at 9am followed by worship at 10:15. An Easter egg hunt will take place following services. Plan to join us. Keep our community in prayer.

WABA NUN-NUNG GOSPEL CHAPEL

Richard Jensen, Pastor

The last three months have included challenges, blessings and surprises. In church on Sunday morning, we studied God's principle of submission between husbands and wives, parents and children, and employers and employees. Currently in March we are studying spiritual warfare and the armor of God. In February we took a break from our study in Ephesians to look at God's peace from John 14:27. In such a chaotic world we need God's peace to rule our hearts and minds.

We have had visitors on Sunday morning and we pray they will return. We saw answers to prayer in the pantry, men's and women's fellowships. In pantry we helped from seven to eleven families each month. As we built relationships and shared the gospel, some came the next month to the men's and women's fellowship. We saw men and women come to these fellowships who had not attended before. We ask your prayers for continued growth. February was my turn in the rotation for jail ministry. I shared the same message on peace that I had shared with the church in a round table discussion format. It took two weeks to complete it, but both the men and women were vitally interested and learning the Scripture. Some took Bibles with them back into the cell block. Thank you for partnering with us in ministry. In His Service, Pastor Richard Jensen



SUNNYSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Hello everyone!

We are in the middle of quite a snowstorm as I write this. I believe we've gotten at least 14" so far and it's not supposed to stop for another 18 hours! It definitely gives off the "it was a dark and stormy night" kind of feel.

Our daughters are planning on opening up their restaurant, Baked, for the season the first week of April and Adam has been working with them to get everything ready to go for that. They are adding new items to their menu, and we have all enjoyed tasting and trying out the various recipes these past few months. Our 3 eldest children now all are school bus drivers and our next 3 work at the local grocery store. Caleb (14) and Samuel (12) are both looking forward to working at Baked and earning some money. We are taking a family vacation to The Creation Museum and The Ark Encounter in a few weeks, where we'll be staying with some friends and also seeing some family members. Family trips are a favorite of ours and even though we'll be a caravan of 3 mini vans instead of just 1 vehicle as we used to be, the time we spend with each other in the car is so much fun!

As a church, we are continuing working through the gospels in chronological order of Jesus' ministry. Have you ever read the gospels in this way? I think it's interesting to read the slightly different viewpoints that each author records of the same event. Or perhaps he recorded something that no one else did, giving us a glimpse into what he thought was important.

Prayer is truly a powerful weapon in a believer's arsenal! Not only can it be used to fortify ourselves against the enemy, but it can be used to shore up and strengthen each other.

Thank you for praying for all of us! We are very grateful for you and your desire to remember us before God.

In Christ's name,

Adam and Jennifer Dewing

DON DEWING NEWS

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The last few months have been a routine of studying the Word, sharing the gospel, visiting people in their homes, receiving, ordering, buying, and giving out food at the food pantry three days a week. Don's indwelling pleura (lower lung), catheter was removed on January 9th. So far his fluid levels have been normal.

The food pantry has been steady with people but has slowed some since Christmas. We have added about 10 new families in recent weeks and serve about 100 families each month. Garden planning has begun and there are seeds planted indoors. I, Teleka, told someone yesterday that I would not be weeding anytime soon as we still have two feet of snow on the ground!! Continue to keep this ministry in prayer.

March 8th marked 25 years since Teleka's brother Ron Davids passed on to Glory. Hard to believe it has been that long. March 17th marked Don's 73rd birthday. March 23 marks the completion of 51 years with Midwest Indian Mission. Praise the Lord for His faithfulness and guidance through the years. Thank you all so much for your faithful prayers on our behalf. The Lord has supplied our needs throughout the years. As we both age we look to the Lord for His direction as we continue to share Jesus here in Northern Wisconsin.

The words of a song based on Isaiah 43:19 say: *My Lord knows the way through the wilderness, all I have to do is follow. Strength for the day is mine all the way and all that I need for tomorrow.*

Migwetch, Thank you for praying.

JENSEN NEWS

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How wonderful it is to receive your cards. The words of encouragement really do give us a shot in the arm to keep going.



Psalm 67:6-7 “*Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us. God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear Him.*” Since this fear is a respect and desire, this verse speaks my desire: God is blessing us with life to our years, and a message to our people of Mole Lake.

Ministry Saturdays have become a real destination. It starts the month before with praying and seeking God’s leading of the lunch menu, ladies craft, my lesson, pantry shopping, and Rick’s lesson.

Shopping and cooking/baking for 20ish people has become exciting for me. I am known for my mac and cheese (sorry, secret recipe). My menu is a basic meat, starch, veggie and dessert on the healthy side, hot coffee, cocoa, tea and cold drinks. Pinterest is my go-to for ideas. Rick is an expert on loading my many crock pots, roaster and other pans.

My lesson is from the Gospel of John, which we are studying at the end of March. I like to give an object from the chapter to have the ladies take home as a reminder. Many hours go into learning and arranging each lesson. The ladies take home projects for each chapter for the month to work on. Sometimes we have kids coming along. Rick helps bring the baby items out into the fellowship hall. I will have pictures next newsletter.

Older kids will have craft items to keep their hands busy while their moms are listening. There is also a craft for the ladies. I love going through my stash of supplies, using Pinterest as a help. We will be making clove face and hair beauty aids.

Rick’s class meets in the church. Everyone joins together for lunch and pantry is open. The meal is helpful to get to know people. We are thankful for your provision of funds for all these ministries. We enjoy having junior church as well as all the other various ways to network with people. Rick is still working in the jail while I am waiting on an open door for me, buying needed items, like large print Bibles, taking a meal over, or opening our home, as the weather permits.

We ask God to bless you who stand behind us, to add life to your years. Pray for this year to be an *annus mirabilis*- a year of grace.

For the Family, Cheryl

Philippians 3:12- 14

Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.



2 Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

YOUTH MINISTRIES

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Family News

The first day of spring is next week but you wouldn't know it looking out the window today. There are mounds of snow everywhere but I'm happy to report we're all safe and sound. We currently have two interns here and they're experiencing this record amount of snowfall with us.

When Benjamin isn't out plowing and shoveling for the mission as well as a few community members, he has been leading youth group, helping a friend at his construction business and finishing up coaching the wrestling season for high school, middle school, and youth. Here at the mission, I'm busy planning details for summer ministry, working with our interns, and leading a youth group for high school girls.

Hope has been busy doing the Lord's work, discipling 50 college girls and leading mission and vision trips to places like Thailand. She is currently in Florida where she's helping to chaperone Cru college students on their spring break outreach mission trip.

Mason is home for the first time since Christmas. He was able to make it home before the big storm hit, praise God! He has now finished up his college wrestling season but the team still trains, has Bible studies, and he attends church with a handful of teammates. He will be living in Eau Claire full-time, and he will be renting a house with a few members of his team.

Jess has been busy working on her dual credit college classes, creating beautiful native beadwork, and she's been a huge help with our girl's group. It's been incredible seeing her so engaged, challenging the girls with thought-provoking questions, and helping some of the girls navigate their Bibles. The first work schedule for her seasonal ice cream shop job has already been finalized which will also keep her plenty busy in the months to come.



We're thankful for your partnership through prayer and financial support for not just our family but our youth ministry. The Lord is doing great things here and having you be a part of this ministry has been a blessing! Please continue to pray for community members who are mourning the loss of loved ones and those struggling with addiction, for our youth who are hungry to grow their faith and pray against the strong spiritual warfare that comes with that. Also, please keep in prayer our family and our financial needs with summer approaching as well as all the youth ministry events and plans to come. We will be raising money for summer camp, youth group, as well as our annual trip to a native youth conference that takes place the beginning of July. If any of these things are on your heart to give towards, please consider designating that on the support form found on the back of the newsletter.

Migwetch, Benjamin and Ashley Dewing

Youth News

Hello again! It's still winter outside in the great Northwoods. As I'm writing this we have around 18 inches of new snow on the ground! But spring is right around the corner, we think.

Things have been going well this winter. We've been able to have some great opportunities to spend time with youth. Not as much as we'd like at times, but we've tried to make the best of every opportunity. Ashley has been busy getting together with a good group of girls often. They have been doing some great studying. We had a great turnout at youth group the other night. More kids than we've had all winter! Quite a few are looking forward to being able to go to WLS (Warrior Leadership Summit) this summer.

This month we have also had the great opportunity to be a host site for a couple of interns from the On Eagles Wings Leadership Center! They sent us two young ladies who are training at the Leadership Centers gap-year program.

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We have been keeping them busy with all things that are going on in the ministry and not just the youth ministry side of things. They planned and put on a winter youth rally event recently for youth in the community! The snowstorm put a little damper on some folks showing up but we still had a good crowd and got to hear from the girls as they shared their hearts and how God is working in their lives. Please keep them in prayer as they continue their internship for the rest of this month and as they transition back to the Leadership Center and follow God's leading in their lives.

We have also been doing more planning and praying and preparing for our summer ministry events this summer! We have 7 weeks of events happening so far. Please keep that process in your prayers as well as we plan, pray, and connect with the groups that are coming.

As always, we thank you all for your continued support of our ministry. God is always faithful to provide in ways we can't even understand. We pray that He continues to guide and direct us and our hearts for His ministry. Thanks for being on this journey with us and God Bless!



On Eagles' Wings Interns
(L) Precious Rabbit – Crow Creek Sioux
(R) Syrianna NeverMissAShot – Ihanktonwan Sioux



Winter Youth Rally





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Isaiah 55:10-11 “For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

Watching the snow fall and blow into huge drifts I am reminded that soon this will all melt and soak into the ground as it waters trees and fields, fills lakes and rivers, and waters gardens and spring flowers. God’s blessing of both the winter snow and the spring sun to melt it, are gifts of His provisional grace upon the world. I love the mental picture here from Isaiah, how the Word of God comes down from Heaven like the rain and snow, and provides the Living Water to nourish all of humanity. Preaching, teaching, and ministry in general can sometimes feel challenging, like no one is listening, no one cares or remembers. We serve people here at the shelter, pray with people in jail, and watch them fall back into old ways, old words, and old attitudes. I am comforted that God’s Word will “accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.”, I just need to share it, speak it, and live it as I serve those He gives me to serve. There is comfort in the submission of service.

On Wednesday nights our church Bible study is continuing through the book of Acts, studying how the Holy Spirit worked throughout the body of the early church. It is a blessing to fellowship with everyone mid-week. In our jail ministry I am working through Matthew chapter 7 for the month of March. We typically have two or three 1- hour sessions as we meet with those men and women who have signed up. I appreciate the jail ministry for the challenge of relying increasingly on Scripture and the Holy Spirit to guide and inspire.

Michelle has started several trays of seedlings in preparation for her garden this spring. Her chickens keep us well stocked in eggs, which is a blessing. She is training her little shadow (Erin, who is 3) to feed the chickens, collect eggs, and plant and water seeds and seedlings. Erin’s little sister, Willow (19 months) helps grandpa take naps on Sunday afternoons. Chase, Brooke, Erin, and Willow, come over after church most Sundays for lunch and family time. Sometimes Uncle Jonah comes to visit as well. It is wonderful to see the kids so frequently.



A trip to the greenhouse

Things at the shelter have been busy this winter. We currently have 5- 6 single adults in our Emergency Shelter program, and 2 single men in our Transitional Housing program. Our transitional housing men help maintain the facility, stock the pantry, help with transportation, help manage our clothing recycling program and keep the lawns mowed and sidewalks shoveled.

Praise God we are more than halfway through our 15th year of shelter operations! God remains faithful in supplying our needs. We have written and submitted our spring grant applications, and the funding is in God’s hands. We are down to less than 2 months of operational funds so please be in prayer about that. Last year our largest grant funder awarded us approximately half of what we typically receive so we faced some funding challenges in 2025 but God is always good and we rely on His grace and provision as He sees fit. All of our funding comes from individual churches, private contributions, charitable groups, and 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 ministry, and we trust His hand in all things. Thank you for your prayers and support! In His Service, Micah Dewing - Shelter Director



Trying on Grandma’s glasses

PRAISES

Shelter Supplies
Interns
Food
Jail Ministry
Shelter/Pantry Volunteers
Girls Groups
Ladies Bible Studies
Pantry Box Truck

PRAYER

Staff Health
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Benjamin and Ashley support
Upcoming Summer Groups
Youth Ministry
Jail Ministry
Mole Lake Church Groups

SHELTER NEEDS AND WANTS

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(THE GYM/PANTRY BLDG)

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