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2Co 12:9 KJV And he said unto me, *My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.*

So much has happened since our last update letter in February it is hard to recognize all that has happened. The above scripture resonates with me for while I am operating in my weakness daily I need the strength and power of Christ.

We were on the move in February and first of March to meetings at our

supporting churches in Oklahoma and Arkansas then to a Home Missions Conference in Denver. God was so good in our travels, through His people many needs for the ministry at LA (pseudonym for Lukachukai) were provided for. The encouragement we received from God's people cannot be measured. In March we commuted between Ramah and LA several services then were able to stay several times at the Old Paths Baptist Church in Ft. Defiance which brought us within an hour drive. Since the first of April we have moved a small RV on site and have been "camping out" there for a few days at a time. In other family news, our daughter Elana is now engaged to be married! She and Ryan her fiancé, are to be married in Oklahoma City on August 8th. The 5 kids who are still with us at home are adjusting to the new normal of life, it is different and maybe sometimes hard, but last time I checked hard is healthy for us.

Resurrection Sunday was a blessing; we had some visitors at service and there were two young men who during the invitation responded that they needed to be saved but did not move. After the services we were finishing up a few things around the church in order to leave when Dwight and Louise drove up. Dwight doesn't speak English but understands a little, Louise translates to him in Navajo. Upon greeting them Louise shared that God was speaking to her in the invitation but she didn't move but wanted to come back and talk about salvation. She and Dwight both wanted to make sure their salvation and settled their faith on Jesus Christ alone right then and there.

While at the Church this past Saturday, Amanda and I were able to break away for a visit to Joe and Ramona who live in LA. Her relative in Zuni, Ben Bacy told me about them. When I knocked on their door I could see a look of consternation on Joe's face, like 'why is this white man on my doorstep?' When I said who I was and mentioned Ben, he brightened and said "come in, please!" We ended up staying at their house visiting for almost two hours. Joe and Ramona are both catholic and traditional, with many of those beliefs overlapping one another. I was able to share what God has done in our lives through salvation, answer some questions about what we believe and pray for them. It was interesting to note the acceptance we gained through the relationship, which was already established through Ben. We were strangers when we arrived but when leaving I said we're neighbors now, he said No, we're cousins. Pray, God would open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light.

In other news, this past week I visited the Chinle Navajo Nation Correctional Facility. Tyler Laystiano, the director from the Zuni jail had given a recommendation for our church services and counseling. I talked to the supervisor in charge, and we can start having services in the jail very soon. There are several other churches interested in sharing the opportunity with us to preach the gospel in this jail. Pray for this opportunity, that it be not hindered and souls will be saved.

There are several projects we are attempting to complete in the next couple of months. First on the agenda is housing on the church site. We finished installing a metal roof the other day on the single wide thankfully just in time for a round of spring weather which included rain and snow. We'll keep you updated as progress continues!

Please make note of our new mailing address, which is PO Box 217, Tsaile, AZ 86556. We will begin forwarding our mail from the old address in Ramah and keep that box open until we are able to get everything transferred over.

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Mountain View Baptist Church also has a new website which can be found at www.mvbcaz.com

Sunday Sunrise in Lukachukai



Before and Almost-after Roof

