Lawrence Journey Journal

Arizona Reservation Ministries

Summer 2017

Family news

Greetings from the Lawrence family. A lot has happened since our last newsletter. I, Jon have gone to the doctor and found out I have a heart condition (Sinus Arrhythmia) that causes my heart to beat extra when exerted causing me to pass out. I have since been put on medication and am monitoring it. In many situations ablation treatment would cure this ailment. In my circumstance this is not an option due do to the location of the extra beat; it is too close to my aortic valve. I am still able to work with the Construction Team full time.



Linda is doing well, and as Edward attended preschool this year, helped at school with field trips and class parties when needed.

Jasmine truly thrived in the fifth grade as she

made
High
Honor
Roll the
end of
the 20162017 year.
She also
enjoyed
singing
in an
after



school show choir on two different occasions. She is excited as she gets to play softball for the first time this year. She is a natural at this sport and is already excited for the next season.

Please pray for Andi as we have found out she



Prayer requests and Needs

Jon's heart health

Andi's heart health

Jasmine as she is changing into a young lady.

Wisdom as we search for a larger home.

Additional support partners

CDL driver for bus



has a heart defect called an Aortic Bicuspid Valve. We had to take her to the doctor, who advised, it is not yet major but must take her annually to check it. We were told she will need surgery to correct it sometime in the distant future. She is saddened as she was told she will not be able to play soccer or any contact sports when she gets older. However she is excited to be able play softball with Jasmine this year. She has even earned the Game Ball as MVP early in the season.

Morgan had a blast on Tuesday and Thursday mornings attending her school's Running Club with her sisters. Their goal was to run a total of two marathons; 52 miles or 208 laps, by the end of school in May, which she accomplished. She did wonderfully at school with straight A's. She enjoyed talking to her best friend

Alexis who has been in her class every year so far.





Edward enjoyed Preschool at Copper Rim Elementary. He is thriving and excited as he is gearing up for Kindergarten, and getting to play t-ball with Morgan. He has a God-given talent to throw that ball.

Please pray for us to have wisdom to know which churches or individuals to reach out to as we continue to raise support. We are approximately 35 percent funded. We also need prayers for wisdom as we are looking for a new home here in Globe. We have outgrown our two bedroom, one bath home. Jasmines is going through changes and Andi not far behind and require spaces of their own.

A.R.M. News

Linda now serves in the office assisting Diana with the secretarial duties. This allows her to be able to



work in the morning while the kids are at school and be at home in the evenings to help with homework. She still assists the Bus
Team from time to time by
preparing crafts and
helping with big events like
VBS, stockings, Family Fun
Days, carnivals and
backpacks.





I get to serve full time construction work under the new Construction Manager, Rob Day. I have been able to assist in finishing three homes this past year including two Amor concrete homes. The final concrete home was completed mid-March.



In February Linda was once again blessed to attend the annual ladies Joyce Meyer Conference. She went with Diana, twenty Apache women, including five teens, and our Children's Minister, Faye for a weekend of spiritual renewal and refreshing. Linda roomed with the teens and experienced great "God" moments as she prayed with these girls. One of them even accepted the Lord that weekend. Linda also has been able to attend and help with other special events including a "Get Fit" health carnival in San Carlos. This was a great evening of ministry and



reminiscing with several children, including a young mother and her one year old daughter that Linda claims as her "granddaughter."

The New Church Bus has had a few setbacks. As we began to do the electrical work for the audio and visual, we discovered that mice had gotten into the wiring of the generator and chewed a lot of it apart. Thankfully, one of our volunteers, Walter, was able to take the generator apart and replace many of the wires. Please continue to pray for there to be no more setbacks and that we can get the bus rolling quickly. Our bus driver, Bill has announced his retirement in August so we will be in need of a driver with a Commercial Driver's License as the new bus is larger than the previous and requires a CDL.



This past Christmas season we were able to, with the help of churches and individuals from all over the country deliver over 850 stockings and blankets, our best year yet!



In October 2016, we had our annual Pastor Appreciation Banquet where we invite the pastors from several churches on the reservation for a dinner served by the A.R.M team members. This year we were blessed to have 15 pastors and wives attend. After the meal, the pastors are given a form that asks what their vision for their churches are, what they would like prayer for, and what needs they feel A.R.M. can assist them with. To finish off the banquet the A.R.M. team members lay hands on and pray for each individual pastor. I had the opportunity to pray for Pastor Eric Johnson while Linda prayed for Pastor Chopper and his wife. From this banquet we learned of a need and will



be building Pastor Chopper a new Ramada to hold his revivals in. we started the foundation the last week of April.



We also learned one of the pastor's roof was leaking and in March, with a work team from Abiding Hope Church in CO, helped pull off his old one, relay sheeting, shingle the roof, and replace the drywall on the celling, and rewire the attic some. Then, a group



from "Touch the World Ministries" in New Jersey replaced the tiles and painted the walls.



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The Construction Team is nearing completion of a home that had its walls built in one weekend in the parking lot of a church in Queen Creek, AZ. The following weekend the members of the church came and stood them up. Since then, several other churches from across the country have aided in raising the trusses, laying the roof and shingles. A group of teens from Scottsdale, AZ came and assisted with the drywall





and insulation.

Another group of teens from New Jersey assisted in the painting of the interior and exterior. It is so amazing to see the ways

God uses everyone from anywhere to do his service!



A huge

praise as A.R.M has acquired a new Ford Transit van for the Construction Team we were badly in need of. The van we were using is on its last legs.

We are enclosing a copy of our personal brochure. We ask that you keep this or pass it on to someone that you believe may be interested in partnering with us in this ministry. We are in need of faithful supporters in finances and prayer.

Thank you for all the prayers and support throughout this past year. We look forward to your continued support as God continues to use us in His service.

In His service, The Lawrence family