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Jacob's Letter

News of God at Work Among the Winnebago People

Ma-Ona (Earth-Maker) at work



In my last newsletter, I closed with the thought that there is much work to be done. Oh, how I *prayed and anticipated* that God would open the heart of the woman in the hospital. I visited her on several occasions and she appeared upset with my being there. I continued to share the **Word of God**, both the **Law** regarding our sin & its consequences and the **Gospel** regarding our **Savior & His forgiveness**. I closed each visit with prayer. She thanked me and left me wondering if God's sacred Word had taken root or not. That is God's work.



Iva, our Dear Sister in Christ

Back in January, I visited another patient in the hospital. I shared the **Bible** story regarding **Jesus' baptism** by John the Baptist. I asked her if she had been baptized. She said, "No." She expressed a desire to be baptized. I spoke to her about the **blessings of baptism** and the assurance that all who believe and are baptized shall be saved. We set up a time that her family could be there.

A couple of days later, God received her into His family through the *waters of Holy Baptism*. **Praise the Lord for His grace!** See the smile on her face in the picture. There is more good news as her two daughters desire to be baptized in the same way. They live on the Omaha reservation and *Pastor Warner* is now visiting this mother and her two daughters in Macy.

Brothers and Sisters in Christ Visit Us

First, on March 16th, we had a group of *five young Christian women* come and assist at our preschool. They came over their spring break from **University Chapel**, on the University of Nebraska campus in Lincoln. They shared their faith through leading a couple of crafts, sharing a **Bible story** and joining the children in singing songs. Our preschoolers were totally attentive and Mrs. Inglehart is now thinking of learning to play the piano, as they were quite impressed with being accompanied by it.



Craft Time with our Preschoolers

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The Junior High Youth Group of Grand Island

Next, on the weekend of March 19th, a group of 10 junior high students plus four adults came here from Trinity Lutheran Church of Grand Island. They led our first Saturday afternoon Bible School. *Chris* led us in singing. *Pastor Ron Benson* shared the Bible story of Jesus walking on the water. The children attempted to keep their eyes on a picture of Jesus while they balanced on a board supported by three bricks. That evening we trekked down to *Big Bear Park* to huddle around a campfire, (some said that it was cold, but no mosquitoes) and feasted on hot dogs, Polish sausage, and bison wieners, plus s'mores. They stayed for worship on Sunday morning and were treated to Indian Tacos.

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HE IS NOT HERE;
He is RISEN!

Then on Sunday, March 28th, *Jan Slonecker* brought her 7th grade Sunday School class from *St. Paul Lutheran Church of Wisner*, and joined us for worship. This was her sixth year to make the forty mile drive. Her students did not appear to be used to having a pastor ask them questions during a sermon and expect them to actually answer them. *I wonder* what they thought when a seven-year old Winnebago girl was first to raise her hand and answer the question?



Three Friends Play at our Saturday Bible School

Interested in Coming?

Those of you who are interested in visiting our preschool & outreach center please do not hesitate to call and make arrangements. Servant event groups are limited to 25 in number. The emphasis of service should be on communicating the **Gospel**, *in deeds and also in Word*. Housing arrangements, along with length of time and types of service projects, vary. *Please contact us.*



In Christ,
Pastor Ricky, Kim, Evan, Kelly and Sierra

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