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# Jacob's Letter

News of God at Work Among the Winnebago People

Grace and peace to you from Ma-Ona our Heavenly Father and from our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!



It has been too long since I last wrote. Please forgive me. This is one of those times when no news is good news, or is it? I would like to attempt to fill you in on some of the good news that God has been doing here.

## Word and Sacrament Ministry

On most Sundays I am blessed to lead a Divine Service, both here at Jesus Our Savior Lutheran Outreach as well as the Winnebago Youth Facility. God's Spirit works through the proclamation of His sacred Word.



On February 2, I baptized a 16-year old boy at the Winnebago Youth Facility.

On February 20, Nila Masquat confirmed her baptism (I was privileged to baptize her on December 21, 1994) and became a communicant member of Jesus Our Savior Lutheran Outreach. Praise God for His grace!



We took on the Crossways Bible Survey Course and completed 30 of the 60 lessons on May 31, with seven making most of the lessons and five others who were here some of the time.

## † - - - - - Hope for the Dying - - - - - †

One of my goals is to offer hope for the dying. I was blessed to have the opportunity to do just that on several occasions.



Iva Robinson died last year and was buried on September 24. She had been received into God's family through Holy Baptism and I ministered to her on a regular basis. I attended her funeral and was asked to share God's Word at her grave.

Over the past couple of years I visited my good friend and brother in Christ, Meredith 'Burt' Greyhair. I was with him almost on a daily basis the last three weeks of his life while he was in the hospital. He died on April 14, at the age of 74. I was asked to offer comfort to his family and friends at his funeral. I did so by reading from God's sacred Word of hope and promise of life to all who believe in Jesus our Savior!



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# Further My Spiritual Education

Another goal of mine is to grow spiritually. I began my first Extended Unit of Clinical Pastoral Education at St. Luke's Regional Center in Sioux City this past school year. This weekly all-day class plus some overnights and one weekend on call took much work. This is one excuse for not writing sooner. I want to thank LC-MS Human Services for providing a grant for a \$400 scholarship. I had many opportunities to share the Word of God, both with those whom I ministered at the hospital as well as my peers and our instructor.

## Jesus Our Savior Lutheran Elementary School?



It has been the prayer of Mrs. Jana Inglehart and mine to have our preschool graduates continue their education at a Lutheran elementary school. Last fall three youth from Winnebago traveled 30 miles one way to attend Zion Lutheran School of rural Bancroft. This coming fall possibly up to ten Winnebago students will attend there. There has been a movement from the Winnebago tribe to expand our little preschool. Here is what is happening so far:

- On August 2, 2004 the Winnebago Tribal Council passed a motion (7-0) to explore and support a Lutheran grade school for the Winnebago Community.



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- On March 15, at a special meeting, the Winnebago Tribal Council voted unanimously to support a **Lutheran elementary school** in Winnebago.
- On May 26, a steering committee met at Jesus Our Savior Lutheran Outreach. It consists of: From Winnebago – Regina Scott, Felix White Jr., Louis LaRose, and Rev. Ricky Jacob; from the Winnebago Tribal Council – Chairman John Blackhawk, Kenny Mallory, and Darwin Snyder; from the West Point Circuit – Walt & Sandra Biermann, Jana Inglehart, Connie Wobken, Rev. Roger Schepmann, and Rev. David List; from the Nebraska District office – Don Weber and Rev. Richard Boring.
- On June 6, Don Weber sent our application in to the Genesis Project to assist us with a feasibility study. [*The costs of this study will be covered by the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod School Ministry*].

Please pray that God would bless with wisdom to know His will and the courage to all work together with one heart and one mind as we embark on extending His kingdom in Winnebago and beyond.



**Your works are  
wonderful,  
I know that  
full well.**  
Psalm 139:14

In Christ,

Pastor Ricky, Kim, Evan, Kelly, and Sierra

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