

BLESSINGS FROM THE SOUTHWEST

“Many are the plans in a person’s heart, but it is the LORD’s purpose that prevails.”
(Proverbs 19:21)

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NEW ADVENTURES

Hi everyone! We are excited to share with you what has been going on here in the Southwest in our first newsletter! God has been doing incredible things in our lives. We officially became missionary candidates in July and have been busy getting everything in place and shadowing Pastor John to get acquainted with our new responsibilities.

We have been living in Gamerco for almost a year at the time we are writing this. Over the past year, we’ve been able to share the beauty of the southwest with both of our families and explore our new hometown and the surrounding areas. What a year it has been! There’s nothing like moving across the country, getting new jobs, and settling in just in time for a pandemic to hit and change everything. COVID-19 cancelled all of our summer teams, so we spent a few weeks doing little projects around the church like restaining the picnic tables and the parsonage’s porch and then we used the extra time to visit our families back east.

This fall, we will continue to work with Pastor John to provide the worship service in person and online, host youth group and continue to foster relationships with our students, and learn about our roles in hosting teams to prepare us for next summer. We also will both be starting our second year taking classes at Winebrenner Theological Seminary.

Prayer Requests & Praises

- Please keep Haley’s family in prayer as they start to heal after the death of her step-father, Greg Anderson.
- Please keep the students and staff of Gallup McKinley County schools in prayer as they return to school and find a new “normal.”
- Praise that COVID-19 seems to finally be on the decline in and around the Navajo Nation.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN THE SOUTHWEST?



We moved to Facebook Live church in March using Haley's iPhone to record Gamerco's worship services. We eventually moved to an iPad and taught Pastor John how to use it for while we were gone this summer. It is what we have been using the past few months to continue to share God's Word even while we weren't together. The Navajo Nation has been on weekend lockdowns since April and will continue through the end of August. However, there has been a decrease in new cases and lower hospitalization rates in our area, so we have been blessed to be able to come back together for worship on Sundays and youth group on Wednesdays.

Our schools finally started back after continued delays and unsure plans. We are currently in the remote phase where there can only be 5 students in the classroom per day and hopefully we will move into the hybrid phase soon where we can bring more students back into the classroom. Many parents are very hesitant to send their children back and are keeping them online full-time. There are lots of changes every week and everyone is working hard to make sure students get the best education possible while remaining as safe as possible. Please keep the students and staff in your prayers as we navigate uncharted waters.



THIS FALL...

In the coming months, we hope to be able to reconnect with our church members who we have been unable to fellowship with over the last few months and continue to make connections with the new names and faces we see during our Facebook Live sermons.

We have a busy couple of months planned. Jacob will be busy speaking at churches and rallies back east. Haley will stay in New Mexico teaching and working with Pastor John while Jacob is away.

We look forward to this journey and all of the new relationships we will form in the process. We are so thankful that God has brought us to this point in our journey where we get to minister here in the Gallup, NM area in many capacities and we can't wait to share it with you.

Blessings,

Haley & Jacob Day



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