
Arizona Reservation Ministries

'God's ARMs around the reservation'

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"Budget Cuts and Blessings"

We are so excited about the way that God is continuing to bless this ministry with the faithful gifts of consistent partners, and the one-time gifts of others that are helping with the shortfall! As a team, we have prayed and reviewed expenses, making spending cuts as God has led. As you can see by the very different format of this publication, we are saving nearly 2/3 the cost of printing by changing our quarterly mailing. If you could receive our news electronically, that would save us even more! We know that some of you might be interested in knowing more about the VERY busy days of Arizona Reservation Ministries. We'll try our best to update our website regularly so that you can follow along with the adventures!

We have two mobile ministry centers: one is designed for teens 12-18 years old, the other for children between the ages of 2 and 11. Two of the four afternoons these buses roll, the numbers allow us to keep the teen's bus at home, saving gasoline. This group of teens hears their Bible lesson from chairs outside of the other bus on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Each day, everyone in attendance receives a snack. Up until now, they have been able to "earn" a second snack by picking up ten pieces of trash in the area. For the time being, that second snack is not available. Both of these choices were made with much prayer. We need "Bus Buddies." These supporters would send in just \$25.00 each month to specifically supply the needs for this branch of ARM. We currently have less than 10 "Bus Buddies." If your children's ministry, Bible Study or other group could take up this commitment, it would be greatly appreciated! We are praying to have enough "Bus Buddies" by the time summer begins. When these kids aren't in school, the likelihood of their having a healthy breakfast and lunch as is offered through the schools diminishes greatly, making the need for that second snack much greater.

Finances are tight here as everywhere! BUT...we are enjoying the frequent visits of short-term ministry teams from across the US to help us! They are working on two homes for Apache families-the majority of funds provided by these visiting groups. The teens and children continue to hear of Jesus Christ and see His love in action on a weekly basis. Friendships, prayer journeys, a Bible Study and more continue as God leads and provides so that we can continue to provide "God's ARMs around the Reservation."

Work Groups



Since last quarter, our visitors have come from: Greenville NC; Two groups from Scottsdale AZ; Queen Creek AZ; Topeka KS; Evergreen CO; and Long Beach CA. We thank God for the work they accomplish and the many ways they bless us!

Bridge Update



As many are aware, we are in the process of installing two flat-bed railroad cars as a permanent access to ARM's 45 acres! This project was initiated by a gift of \$22,000 from 1st Christian Church, Huntington Beach CA. Since then, we have been receiving the sacrificial gifts of others to make this bridge a reality! As this publication is written, we still need \$20,000. Please pray for the balance to arrive before the bridge!



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Back Pack Project, 2009



We will once again need the assistance of everyone in order to supply back packs filled with the school supplies children and teens of the San Carlos Apache Reservation will need prior to the beginning of school! Please check out our web site for an updated list of needed items. We'll need everything by July 15th in order to sort and pack over 400 backpacks! Remember: We also need Wal-Mart gift cards or you can purchase items "site-to-store" to have Wal-Mart pay the shipping! Our Wal-Mart is in Claypool, AZ.

Prayer Requests



- God's wisdom as homes are built
- Apache leaders to unite in the Cause of Christ
- Staff and financial needs of ARM
- For fire safety as the summer begins

ARM volunteer needs



- Web master/IT Director
- One day each week on our mobile ministries

Needs List



- Bus Buddies
- Ink for HP#15 and HP#21
- Back packs & school supplies
- A complete needs list is available on our web site at www.azrez.org

ARM Staff Needs



- Web master/IT Director
- Mechanic
- Godly couple to lead youth ministry
- Godly couples to assist in children's ministry

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