



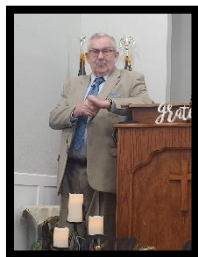
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HAYNES
Since 1996 to the Navajo Nation



Dear Pastor and Church,

September – October 2023

THE PRIVILEGE OF PREACHING



The months of September and October found us on the road much more than usual. In September, I had the privilege of preaching with my son, Joel, and our former Pastor Dr. Bob Smith in Sanger, Texas for Pastor Robert Graf. It was a wonderful meeting concentrating on “Reaching the Next Generation.” Mrs. Haynes and I also were a part of meetings in four different churches. I had the honor of preaching for Pastors Doug Cassel, Jerry Ross, and Terry Anglea on one trip. All three churches were incredibly gracious. Faith Baptist Church in Bourbonnais, Illinois under Brother Anglea gave \$10,000 toward a major project at Ganado Baptist Bible College. More on that later. Lastly, we were in a wonderful Missions Conference in Brogue, Pennsylvania with Pastor Chris Starr and the good folks at Mt. Zion Baptist Church. It was a great conference, and we were much encouraged!

While in Indiana, Bro. Cassel took me to Vincennes University where the Maria Creek Baptist Church had been rebuilt. In this church building is the pulpit of missionary Isaac McCoy, the Father of Indian Baptist Missions. As I stood behind that pulpit, I understood that were it not for that great man, I do not know that I would be doing what I am today. I would encourage you to read his biography and other works about him if you have an interest in Native missions. May we carry on his legacy.



THE BEAUTY OF BAPTISM

The Lord allowed us to baptize three teenagers that my wife had the privilege of leading to the Lord! These kids have gotten faithful in church and love coming. It all started when I did a funeral for their stillborn baby brother many months ago. The change in these young people is gradual, but evident! The Lord is giving us a growing number of young people. Pray for God’s working in their lives!

THE MAGNIFICENCE OF MISSIONS



Ganado Baptist Church held its most important meeting of the year in October, our Missions Conference. The theme was “The Regions Beyond You.” Our dear friend Dr. Jerald Chadwick did a wonderful job of preaching and encouraging our folks. Home-grown missionaries Dheidrick and Joetta Hobbs were also with us. Native churches are NOT just takers – THEY ARE GIVERS! Our total commitment for the church’s missions ministry this next year is over \$94,200!! Only our great God can do that!



THE PREROGATIVE OF PREPARATION

God is opening doors for us to train more workers at Ganado Baptist Bible College. To this end, we believe the time has come for us to build dorms, as we have been told that there were students who possibly would have come to GBBC if housing was available. We have folks willing to come to build the dorms, but the cost of moving the college building, land preparation, and building materials is indeed immense. We know the Lord is in this, so would you consider having a part financially in this endeavor? Please contact me or Pastor Joel Haynes if you have any questions. Have a great Christmas season!!

Dr. and Mrs. Mark Haynes