



Greetings from  
Kevin and Pam Barthel,  
Missionaries to the  
Native Americans of  
Arizona



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Dear Friends at Central Baptist Church,

God's Word in Hebrews 12:1-3 is such a continual encouragement to all of us who know Christ, isn't it! The spiritual and physical droughts in our country and throughout the world can be overwhelming at times. However, if we can walk believing all of the Lord's promises, even in just those three verses, we will "run" patiently and endure!

As we pray for each of you as you run His race, we thank God for all of your constant prayers for our family and our church family. We appreciate and need them so much! Here are a few of the **ways God has been answering your prayers:**

- 1) Pam's biopsy of the nodes on her thyroid was benign. She has also been feeling better after the procedure because the pressure on the thyroid was removed. Also they have not made a decision about the perineural cyst on her spine yet. Thank you for your Prayers!
- 2) Thank you for praying for our Spring Revival. Evangelist Tim Thompson and his family came and were such a blessing! One young man was saved and all of us grew closer to the Lord!
- 3) One of our families who went through great trials last year has come back to the Lord and to Church. Pam and I spent many hours with them. It's so wonderful to see them walking with the Lord again and to see God answering your prayers for them, too!
- 4) Our Mother's Day Luncheon and Sunday and Father's Day Sunday went well and were well attended. A special blessing was that one of our deacon's grandsons got saved on Mother's Day!! He came to me that morning and said, "Pastor, can I get saved today?" And he did!! Praise the Lord!
- 5) We are thankful for Josh Gorham who served as intern for us for two weeks in June. He was a great blessing and help to us and our Church Family!

As we continue through our summer ministries, here are some **prayer requests** we would like to mention:

- 1) We had to schedule our VBS for July 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> instead of June this year due to schedule changes with the group coming to help us. Please pray for many to be saved, to be encouraged to grow in Christ, for safety and safe weather. We are so excited to see how God will work in hearts!
- 2) Please continue to pray for the above mentioned young family, for our teens to be faithful to the Lord and for the two young people who graduated from high school this year to follow God's will.
- 3) Please pray for a man who had been away from the Lord for many years but started coming to our services in December. He then had to go to jail for an old crime for six months. I have visited him many times while he has been incarcerated, and we had many good Bible studies. Please pray that he will continue to stay strong and grow in the Lord after his release.
- 4) Your prayers for Pam's health are always appreciated so much, by both of us!

Thank you for being such a vital part of God's work here at Gilson Wash Baptist Church! Your love, faithful prayers and financial support mean so much to us. Thank you so much for your support of \$75.00 for each of the months of April, May, and June. We pray for God's richest blessings for you as we all continue looking unto Jesus together faithfully until He comes!

Gratefully yours,  
*Kevin and Pam*



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