

REFLECTION AND ANTICIPATION

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JOSHUA 4:7 "THESE STONES ARE TO BE A MEMORIAL TO THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL FOREVER."

As we write yet another letter, it seems like just a few months ago we were looking at the start of a new year. These 12 months feel like they were a whirlwind of life that blew in so rapidly and left hardly any memory except speed. This is why we love writing letters: we stop, we reflect, we see, and we praise! The Israelites were charged with remembering the past, they practiced this so that their memory of how great God is would never fade. They would tell their children, their neighbors, and people all around them to let them know what God has done. Let us share with you some of the things that God has done!

From the beginning of the year till now, God has been growing the Louis Bull All Nations Church. Sometimes it seems that our family was half the church. Although numbers have nothing to do with the strength of the church, they were very low. As the year has moved forward, we see more and more people coming through the doors — some regulars, some new comers. Whether they are there for curiosity, or other reasons, we are thankful for another opportunity for the Gospel to be preached!

I, Sean, had my left knee replaced this winter. I have gone through many operations and procedures to prolong this, but it finally came to a point where it needed to be done. This has changed a few things for me. I can now do many things with little to no pain, whereas before, doing nothing would hurt!



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I actually can't remember a time when my knee felt this good! However, there are limitations to life now and I have to be careful in what I do, all minor in comparison.

The youth are a huge encouragement to us! God has been so active in their lives and it is amazing to walk with these Jesus Followers. In early June we took youth to a conference in BC. It was refreshing to see them interact with other First Nation Youth believers, to see other youth who love Jesus and brought together with a common goal: worshipping our great God. We had 2 camps this year, 1 successful and 1 not. First, we took 12 youth to northern Saskatchewan. We focused on a deeper walk with Jesus, healing from past trauma and how God sees us as His. Second, we had planned a full camp and the morning of leaving, 8 out of the 10-youth backed out. Not sure why, but God knew that this was best, so we had to cancel. This



past Thanksgiving, we baptized another young man that started to come to Boys Group, as well as his older sister. He is part of a small group of young men that are very committed to Jesus. We are mentoring this small group so they can be mentors. We are teaching how to lead bible studies and understand scriptures, be encouragers and show others what it means to follow Jesus. It is exciting to see the youth grow, change, trust and walk deeply with God!

This past summer we had 2 young ladies that we have been walking with for a few years move into our house. Although not every day is easy, these 2 young ladies have overcome so much, one is back in school, the other is working part-time. We are excited to see God take them deeper into relationship with Him.

These are just a few of the stories that all join together, pointing to God's faithfulness. It is a true joy and honor to be able to share them with God's people as a reminder of His greatness! We are excited for the year to come and being continually amazed, seeing how God changes people's lives.

From all of us here, Merry Christmas and blessings in 2024!

Sean, Becky, and Tribe



Sean's ordination service
at Woody Nook CRC

MERRY CHRISTMAS

As the mystery of Christmas is upon us, we pray for God's peace on you all. May you be filled with joy, wonder and praise as we gather around a stable in awe of a baby who was brought down so that one day we may brought up. We pray for God's face to be upon each of you in 2024. May He use you in ways that far exceed your expectations! You have all been a blessing to our family, surrounding us in prayer, grace, and gifts, we are so thankful for each and every one of you!

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