

A CHRISTMAS OF REST

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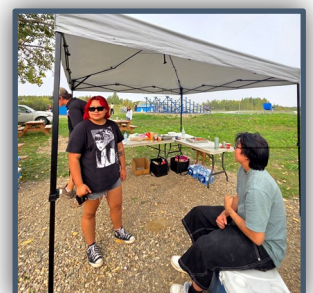
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***“For anyone who enters God’s rest also rest from their works,
just as God did from his.” - Hebrews 4:10***

One thing that we have become very good at is running! We have taken the writer of Hebrews very seriously: “Run with perseverance the race marked out for us.” But in doing so, we have not always been very good at entering Sabbath Rest. In fact, it is sometimes a foreign thought; a far-off dream. We got good at saying, “When the kids get older...”, or “This is camp season, it is always nuts!”, etc. We totally knew this was the wrong way of looking at things and saw that we needed to purposefully take time to step away and rest. Not like a vacation, but a focused time with God. We started to put a plan together the fall of 2024, and we thought that would give us time to plan and prepare. However, the closer we got, the questions arose. We started to wonder if we could even accomplish this. How do we enter into this rest? What does this even look like? Is it even achievable? Is it long enough? Would people understand?

The recent NAIM Staff Family Conference hosted Mark Buchanan as a speaker and focused on entering the rest of God. Mark referenced his book titled “The Rest of God” where he encourages the reader to restore our soul by restoring the Sabbath. We knew this is what was needed for a us, a “RESET”. A time to rest, but also to reflect on and be purposeful in our Sabbath rest! Ultimately, this is



our plan, restoring our soul. With full cups, we anticipate and look forward to “running” in February... With a better understanding and outlook at maintaining a healthy Sabbath Rest.

By the time that you read this, we will be nearly a month into our rest and reset journey, with two more to go. We will be back February 1st, 2026.



PRAYER OF THANKFULNESS AND REQUESTS

We are so thankful for the past 9 years of ministry. God has shown us how He heals in big ways, and in small ways. How His Spirit stirs in people, moves them and walks with them. How, even though He has asked us to walk this road, it is Him who is doing the work and we are witnesses to His goodness! We have been surrounded by a

team of people who pray for us, encourage us and support us faithfully. We praise God for each and everyone one of you and are so thankful that you are walking this road with us! Thank you!

We do ask for continued prayer as we are on this reset and rest journey. That God continues His work in us and our family. That this may be a very fruitful journey for us as we prune and tend to each other.

We also ask for prayers for the people of Maskwacis. Christmas Season can be a tough time, as people enter into the “Holiday Spirit”, there are reminders of people they lost and loneliness can feel overwhelming.

Our monthly budget includes our wages and ministry expenses. Although we will still be collecting a wage, we will not have any ministry expenses. We ask, if you are comfortable with it, to continue giving while we are on this journey. We are behind on our budget this past year and have fallen about \$2000/month below our needed support, \$20,000 so far this year. Continued giving would help give us a head start into next year. NAIM is also providing a matching grant, up to \$1000/month. If a donor increases their giving, whether it is monthly or one time, it can be matched by NAIM!

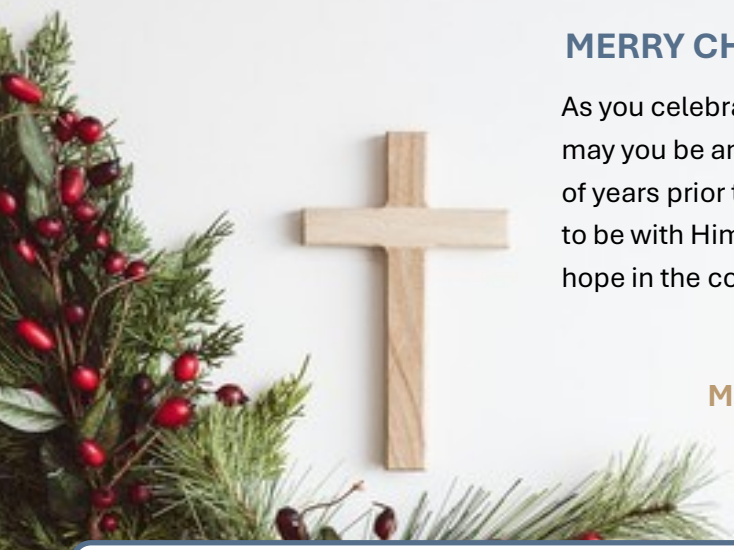


MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A BLESSED NEW YEAR!

As you celebrate with your loved ones, the incredible season of Christmas, may you be amazed at the wonder of this season. A gift promised thousands of years prior to the Birth of Jesus, a gift from God who longs for His Children to be with Him again! May you all bask in the goodness of God and look with hope in the coming year!

Merry Christmas and Blessings in 2026!

Sean, Becky and Tribe



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