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Thinking about Reconciliation and Revival

Live in such a way that those who know you,
but don't know God, will come to know God,
because they know you!

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Early in our ministry in Tacoma an international group of men and women started the International Reconciliation Movement. They went to different parts of the world where 'holocaust type' happenings had occurred in the past, between different people groups, and got the current leadership from each of the factions to come together and apologize for what had occurred. Incredible stories of relational healing, as well as healing of the land, occurred across the world, such as famines ending and crops being restored.

A Christian veterinarian who was part of that Reconciliation Movement heard about us and gave me a smooth red and white river rock that was from the Mashel River, near the Nisqually reservation just south of where we lived at that time. Over a hundred years earlier a massacre had occurred at the Mashel River when army volunteers slaughtered Native women, children and elderly men in the last battle of the Puget Sound Indian War. No one was ever punished or arrested for it. I kept that rock, that represented both red and white people, on the dashboard of my car for years as a reminder to pursue reconciliation with Native people.

Obviously, the need for reconciliation still exists, not just between Native and non-Natives, but in our marriage relationships, our churches and our communities. There is a solution: "I was wrong. Will you forgive me?" What that looks like in action is the challenge. Canada began the long, hard process by establishing the Truth and Reconciliation Commission in 2007. In 2015 they held their closing event in Ottawa and presented their summary, including 94 'calls to action.' The US needs to start, but is scared to death of the possible financial consequences. We, as Native and non-Native believers of Jesus, should be the catalyst to make that happen. It begins with prayer and asking for Creator's wisdom and power to bring it about.

Family News

We are delighted to announce that our oldest grandson, Howie, has proposed to the love of his life, Patience Kays. We eagerly await a wedding date.



We are in the midst of planning the third annual Tribal Ministry Conference. As we mull over possible conference themes, the thought of reconciliation and revival keeps surfacing in my mind. I believe revival follows naturally after reconciliation. It comes after humbling ourselves and praying and saying "Yes" to whatever the Holy Spirit directs us to do. Most recently it broke out at Asbury College. Years ago it broke out at Crown College where my oldest son was attending.


In 1975 Billy Graham addressed a Native gathering in Albuquerque, NM, and said, "You as evangelical Indians are a sleeping giant...The original Americans could turn around and be the evangelists to win other Americans to Christ"

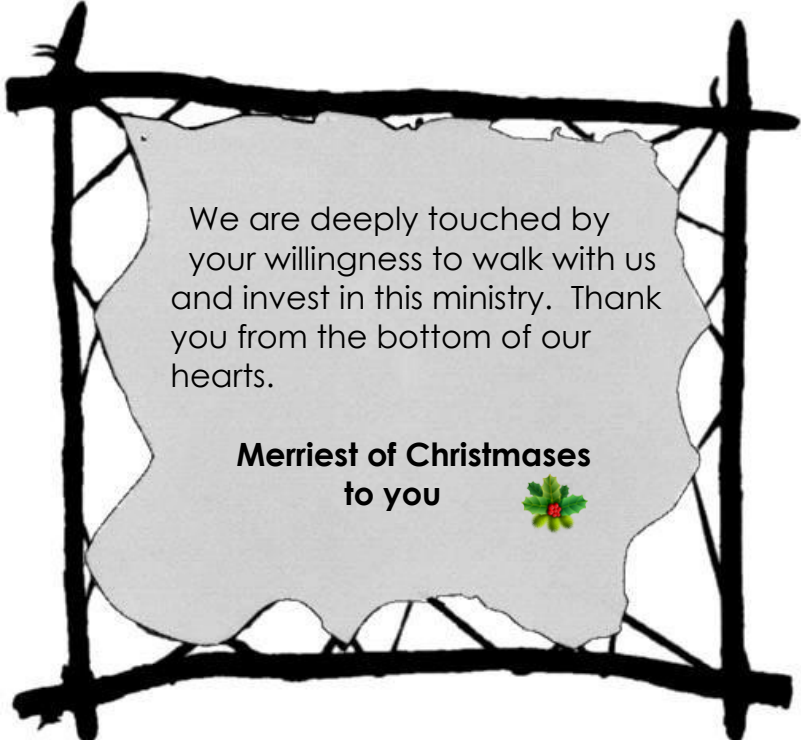
Is it time for the Native/First Nations 'Sleeping Giant' to wake up... and all of us to wake up in our relationships?

Still resting in Him and enjoying the journey,


❤️ *DAVE AND DIANE NORMAN*

Prayer Requests: 

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1. Please join us in praying for an awakening among the first Americans of our land.
 2. We always appreciate prayer for our family; children, grandchildren, and our great granddaughter and those yet to be born...we want to be in heaven an unbroken family.



We are deeply touched by your willingness to walk with us and invest in this ministry. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

**Merriest of Christmases
to you** 

FAMILY PICS



Family fondue in TX



Got to see several games of our grandkids while in TX



Mike & Kirsten's 33rd Anniversary, November 16th



Diane didn't even see one buck this year 🙄

