

## Ministry Moments

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Dear Friend,

The second of what may become an annual Tribal Ministry
Conference is being planned for April 21 & 22, this year in Tacoma.
We have selected, "Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you." (Isaiah 60:1) for our theme scripture. Verses 2 & 3 continue, "... the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you. And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising."

While these scriptures were a promise and a challenge to Zion, they are complementary to a famous proclamation given by Billy Graham to a gathering of Native Christian leaders in 1975, in Albuquerque, where he likened Native Americans to a "spiritual sleeping giant" that when awakened, could become a "spiritual super power" that would impact the nation and the world for Christ.



In recent months I have heard this proclamation referenced a number of times. I believe there is a growing desire in Native ministry circles to see the gospel of Christ transform First Nations communities in North America to a greater degree than has ever been experienced.

This desire, along with a big-picture vision of Native participation in fulfilling the "all nations" aspect of the Great Commission mandate of Jesus, (Matthew 28:18-20) is the primary purpose and motivation for **Tribal Ministry Conference 2023**. It is also the underlying purpose behind the development of **Sacred Path Fellowship**—the native-focused urban church I help lead.

Please join us in praying for a Spirit-led disciple-making movement to become a growing reality here in the Pacific Northwest. And that the conference will be a strategic, motivational influence toward these ends.

An additional \$4,500 is needed to meet conference expenses. If you are led to help fund this important event, checks can be written to, "Sacred Path Fellowship" at the Tacoma address on this letter: (Put "Conference" in the memo line).

Donations for the conference can also go through North America Indigenous Ministries at the Sumas mailing address or at <a href="https://www.naim.ca/donate">www.naim.ca/donate</a> (Special Project: Tribal Ministry Conference #6673).

Nancy and I thank you for your friendship, gifts and prayers. These are a great blessing to us.

**Taylor**