# **C**URRENT NEEDS

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We are so close to reaching our annual need for this year! Our fiscal year ends on July 31, and because of you we can confidently say that we will reach our goal and finish in a good financial position. We thank you for helping us through another year of ministry! God is faithful!

## We're almost there!

Our remaining annual need for this school year is <u>\$5,049.</u>



#### Kindergarten Teacher Position

Zuni Christian Mission School is currently seeking candidates for a full-time Kindergarten teacher for the 2019-20 school year! Please visit our website to fill out an application or contact the school for more information:

www.zunichristianmission.org/about/job\_postings

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#### ZUNI CHRISTIAN REFORMED MISSION

2019 Graduates: (Left to Right) Ja'Kel Ahiyite, Mekai Begay, Caleb Becksvoort, Felix Johnson, Kiara Tucson, Alyssa Chavez, Kassie Peywa

# PRINCIPAL'S DESK

I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith.

With these richwords, Paul gave his deep hope for the church in Ephesus. And with the same hope, we commission our 2019 graduates. As staff at ZCMS, we seek to plant Zuni children in God's truth and faithfully water the seeds of faith, but we acknowledge that only God can cause faith to bloom and grow. In the verse above, Paul prayed that God strengthens his people with power. The Greek word for power in that verse comes from root dunamis ("DOO-na-miss") from which we get the word "dynamite." So dunamis is explosive power, but the implication is that this kind of power manifests itself through God's might and desire. Engaging in the work of God here in Zuni requires dunamis, and it is this same power that we pray is present and at work in the lives of our students. Therefore, when we send graduates on from our school, prayer, as always, is a necessary part of the equation. We invite you to join us in prayer for our graduates.

For several of the past summers, Zuni Christian Mission has sent some of our middle school students to Camp Dunamis, a week-long experience in the mountains of Southern California. This summer, over a third of our students from that age group are attending, as well as five staff members. It is our hope and prayer that campers (1) have good, clean fun, (2) that they build friendships with other kids from all over California, Nevada, Arizona, and New Mexico for the purpose of pursuing racial reconciliation, and (3) encounter the risen Christ,

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and by God's grace choose faith. These goals can only be accomplished with dunamis-type power. We invite you to join us in prayer for our campers and counselors.

The rest of the summer is abuzz with activity at ZCMS: Summer School, Volleyball Camp, Basketball Camp, and Kids' Club (Vacation Bible School) are all in full swing this month, making the school and church a popular hangout

spot for kids in grades K-12. We are delighted to share our facilities and the love of Christ with the kids of Zuni and the groups that come to lead these events alongside us. With all that is happening here this summer, we invite you to pray to God, who is able to immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us.

Tim Becksvoort, Principal





Graduation: Pray for our seven mid school graduates as they take their next steps to high school.

## Farewell to staff









Kindergarten Program: Students shared what they learned and gave special thanks to Mrs. Meekhof.

#### Roger Scarboro, Autumn and Andy Newell, Mike and Ardy Meekhof

Pastor Roger Scarboro: Roger Scarboro has committed the last 14 years of his life at Zuni Christian Reformed Mission to discipling our youth. He has done this through teaching Bible classes, leading youth group, speaking at chapels, preaching, and carrying out summer ministry camps (to name just a few). Most importantly he has done this through building trusting relationships with the kids he serves and mentoring them as future ministry leaders

- helping them to discover their gifts and God's desire to use them. After years of prayer, teaching, discipline, and love, Roger is proud to see Zuni youth, such as Natasha Natewa and Shanell Leekya, now stepping into leadership roles in the church and school - serving God in their community. *Pastor Roger will be retiring and focusing on his work with American Indian Missions Inc. (AIMI)*.

Autumn and Andy Newell: Autumn Newell has served as the art teacher at ZCMS for the last 9 years, sharing her creative knowledge and incredible gifts with both elementary and middle school students. Andy Newell began his time at ZCMS as a teacher and later became our school counselor. He also headed up an after school horticulture and farming program in nearby Ojo Caliente which continued for several years. We thank God

for the Newell's and the countless ways they have impacted our students and community by showing God's love through their passions. *Autumn and Andy will be continuing their work teaching and counseling at Rehoboth Christian School.* 







Meekhof Retirement Celebration: Pastor Mike and Ardy were honored for their 30+ years of service.



Mike and Ardy invested their time, energy, and hearts to the ministry in Zuni. From setting up chairs for events, ministering in the jail, organizing volunteer groups in the summers, visiting the homes of community members, leading bible studies, and playing the piano to preaching the word each week - ministry was life and life was ministry. Daily they laid aside their own agendas and interests and poured into the lives of others, blessing the youngest right on up to the oldest in the body of believers, and beyond into the greater Zuni community. *God remained faithful!* 

Mike and Ardy, as you head into retirement know that our prayers are with you. You will forever remain a part of the Zuni community. Your influence here will have eternal impact. From the many seeds that were planted over the last 30 years, we know that God will continue His amazing work in bringing those seeds to fruition. Thank you for the enormous role you've played in bringing hope, love, and joy to the lives of many in our community. Thank you for allowing the Lord to use you to impact His kingdom. We trust that God will continue to bless many others through your service to Him. God will always be faithful! Mike and Ardy plan to live in nearby Gallup, NM and enjoy their new role as grandparents!





Summer School: Summer school students learned about poetry and cooking with hands on activities!



Pastor Mike and Ardy Meekhof: In January 1989, Pastor Mike and Ardy Meekhof and their 3 little ones came rolling into Zuni, New Mexico. Their original agreement was to serve in the Zuni ministry for three years. Three years turned into ten, and ten turned into thirty! Rich learning experiences and hearty growth occurred during those thirty years, as Zuni truly became the Meekhof's home. God was faithful!