

"EVANGELIZING AND EQUIPPING NATIVE AMERICANS FOR CHRIST"



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NEW CAR RECEIVED THROUGH A GRANT!

Thanks to the "C. W. & Modene Neely Charitable Foundation" in Gilbert, AZ for providing the AICM with the funds to purchase a 2010 Chevy Traverse. In February, the check was received and the Traverse was purchased. The Traverse seats seven and has All Wheel Drive, which will be very helpful in inclement weather. The AICM would also like to thank Scott Vollmer, who put together and submitted the grant for a new car.

LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Dear Partners of AICM:

For over 42 years AICM has been faithful to our Mission statement of "Evangelizing and Equipping Native Americans for Christ." It has been with your continued support in prayer, visiting ministry teams, and financial partnership that has provided the means for God's Word to move ahead on the reservation and at the on campus school. As of this school year our Elementary & Middle School students are housed and taught on campus, with High School students taken to Show Low H.S. for classes and extracurricular activities.

This summer will once again prove to be a very busy time both on and off campus. Visiting ministry teams will provide week long camps for all ages; 7-8-9 thru High School. ACC (Blue Bus) will be on the reservation ministering to the needs of those who need to know Christ as Lord and Savior. Being a part of a Ministry Team allows us to put our Faith into action.

The world continues to change around us and we must examine how we minister to meet the needs, most effectively, with the resources God has made available to us. As a board of directors we are exploring options relative to facilities, staff, programs, and resources.

As of this writing, Patrick Lester E.D., has chosen to leave AICM. Options for his replacement are being explored. In the interim, Marc Silliman, current Business Manager, will assume day to day responsibilities.

We face many challenges. Our desire is to do everything within God's perfect will. Please remember AICM during your prayer time.

If there are any questions, I can be reached at: Ron@schlattersinc.com.

Serving Him and you,
Ron Schlatter
Chairman, AICM Board of Directors



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MINISTRY TEAMS/GUEST GROUPS

We have started the much anticipated season of teams from across the country coming to visit the campus. These teams do a variety of different things around our physical campus as well as help with our “Blue Bus” ministry, which is called the Apache Christian Connection. On campus projects so far this year have included cleaning and preparing the thrift store, road maintenance, helping in the kitchen, and continuing work on the prayer trail. Some teams have participated in team-building sessions, which are activities designed to challenge the group both individually and collectively. The participants had a great time learning to work together. Some of our teams have lead chapel for our on campus children, which is a great experience for all. The summer is filling up, but there are still openings throughout the year.

AICM NEEDS

The following is a list of items or projects that we are hoping to obtain or accomplish

Buildings

- Insulate the back of the chapel (the main part is done)
- Paint for interior and exterior of buildings
- Energy efficient upgrades
- Metal roofing

Blue Bus

Would like to add an RV type awning

School

Money for an 8th grade trip

Programming

- Funds to complete more team-building activities
- Archery/BB gun range and equipment
- Bicycle inner tubes (20”,24”, and 26”)
- Student Union/Cafe with camp store
- New amp and sound equipment for the chapel

Office

- New telephone system
- Copy paper and ink

Kitchen

Food and Cleaning Supplies

Maintenance

- Tractor/Backhoe
- Tools
- Dump trailer
- Floor wax
- Funds for pool supplies

If you or your church would like to help fund, or complete any of these needs, please contact our office for more details.