

THE ECHOES

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PROJECT NAVAJO CHRISTMAS 2018

***P**roject Navajo Christmas 2018 is complete! Pastor Jim Yates, Director of Action Missions, would like to thank everyone who was involved in this year's project. This is the 17th year for Pastor Jim to be involved in this Christmastime ministry on the Navajo Reservation.*

Action Missions and teams traveled to many churches on the Navajo Reservation and one on the Hopi Reservation, and were able to share the Gospel with hundreds of children and their families. This outreach is designed to enable and empower the local church and place new converts in contact with a local Pastor and church body who can love and disciple them. It truly is amazing that something so simple as a toy, can be a tool that makes the difference in the lives of hurting people! We have experienced the fruit of this project, year after year and have seen new families grow in the Lord!



We were so blessed by the teams that traveled to the Navajo Nation to be a part of the outreaches. Thank you to everyone who traveled, donated toys and financial contributions, and prayed for this annual project!

This is FGCI World Missions Director Elizabeth Major's sixth year involved with Project Navajo Christmas, and this the first year that the FGCI Missions Department set up scholarships for youth to participation in missions. FGCI youth were a tremendous blessing on this trip! What a great opportunity for young people to experience what God is doing in all the world! Thank you FGCI for your prayers and involvement!

RENEW TIME FOR MINISTERS & CHURCHES

Brothers and Sisters of FGCI,

Once again it's time to welcome in a new year and say good-bye to another. With this in mind, it is almost renewal time for all our ministers and churches. This will be happening in February.

This year I will be sending out renewals by email. By sending these by email it will be much more cost and time effective and I believe that God wants us to be good stewards of His money and our time.

Now we realize that not everyone has an email account. For those who do not have email, I will still send yours through the mail as usual. Please review the following information and make sure the General Office has your correct information.

1. If you have moved since your last renewal, please make sure you have changed your address with the General Office.
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You can make changes to your account by emailing the Office, by phone, or by text. If you have any questions, please feel free to notify me and I will be glad to help.

Thank you all so much for your support and cooperation. Together we can continue to make Full Gospel Churches International a wonderful fellowship.

In His Service,

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The New Year can bring new challenges, new interest, new opportunities, or at the least a chance to reboot.

Sometimes we get stuck in just doing the same thing, the same way, over and over, again and again. We miss many opportunities because those opportunities just don't fit in with the way "we" do things.

Entrenchment has cost a lot of ministers and ministries many possibilities. Don't allow it to steal from you this year. Don't allow doubt and fear to take you back to the same wore out path that has been yielding little to no results.

Isaiah 43:19 says: "Behold, I am doing a new thing: now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ESV

We get so caught up in the way "we" have always done things, that even when God sends new things along we either try to fit them into our past ways or just walk away from them not willing to change because of what could go wrong if we tried.

I believe that as we begin 2019 it is a good time to begin to listen, watch and pray for what God has for us. What is new in our future? What do we need to change to be more pleasing to God? What is being done the way "we" always have verses the way "God" wants them done?

My prayer for all of us is that we are willing to change the things in our life that God wants changed. I pray for willingness to do those things God wants us to do in the way He wants us to do them. I pray that we don't revert back to the old ways that no longer work just because they are comfortable. It is time to grasp a hold of those new opportunities and don't let go.

Joshua 4:4 states: "Yet there shall be distance between you and it, and 2,000 cubits in length. Do not come near it, in order that you may know the way you shall go, for you have not passed this way before." ESV

May God's anointing be upon each of you throughout 2019.

Rev. Steve Fellers, General Superintendent

2019 FGCI LEADERSHIP ROUNDTABLE

For all who are on the General Board the roundtable will be back in Springfield, Missouri this year. The dates are January 25-26, 2019. Friday night 7 PM and Saturday morning 9-12. There will be a meal provided at the meeting on Friday. It will be at the Baymont Inn. There number is 417-887-2323, mention Full Gospel Churches International. The rate is \$69.99
Hope to see you there!

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CHRISTMAS FOR THE LAMBS

Earlier in November, founder of "When I Ministries", FGCI Ordained Minister, Sister Reta Steele Dyson of Osceola, Missouri, went home to be with the Lord. Even after her passing, Sister Reta still had a mission to complete.

Beginning in 1993, Sister Reta answered the call set out in scripture to visit those in prison, and took this ministry very seriously. Every Monday night she would meet with both men and women prisoners in the local Federal Holding Facility, for Bible Study and prayer. She very rarely missed, even in times of sickness.

Over the years she began the Christmas for the Lambs project, in which she sent gospel based gifts and cards to the children and loved ones of those incarcerated. Year after year, she completed this important project and as it grew to surrounding jails and prisons, she had to enlist help. It is amazing to see the impact that Sister Reta had in growing the Kingdom of God...uncountable souls came into the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ!

As her health declined this past year, her focus was getting gifts out to prisoner's families, sending the message that they were loved this Christmas. With the help of Sister Debbie Ferguson, (FGCI Exhorter) and her local church family, Christmas for the Lambs was once again completed, with over 300 gifts and cards sent out in 2018. This is evidence of true calling of God, a work that continues even in our absence! Please be in prayer for the continuation of this ministry.

