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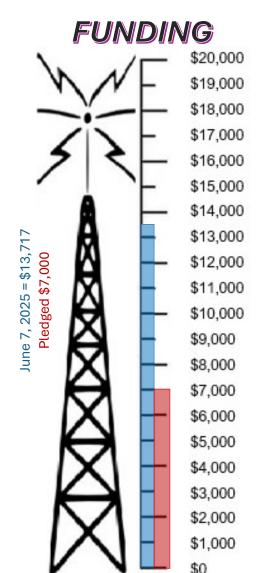
THE GOD-POD STORY

Maybe you have already heard the God-Pod story from Thoreau, NM as it has been published several times. However, it is a good story worth repeating. It involves Mr. J.R. Sanders who called the Window Rock Church to ask if it was possible to replace his 3½ year old Navajo/English God-Pod. Sanders, who is disabled and partially blind, was missing his God-Pod because it was "wore out". Steve Pester, Diné Adventist Radio Network Manager, drove ninety minutes from Window Rock to Sander's reservation home so that a new solar-powered God-Pod could be presented personally.

The final driving instructions were, "Go past the white house with the red car then at the fork near the old windmill, stay to the right. Drive through the



Sanders with new and old God-Pods



wash, and after the tree with license plates nailed to the trunk, look for the blue house with the silver roof and white pickup truck."

Sanders was enthusiastic about having a visitor. He told Pester that as a child he had attended Christian schools and that he didn't



know much about Navajo Traditions. He had tried to be a good Christian most of his life. After his military service, he owned his own construction contracting business and attended church in Thoreau regularly. His faith was tested when he got sick, lost his

business, and had to have surgery on his knees and his back. He spent 19 months in the hospital recovering from his surgeries.

After he returned to his little blue house, he spent hours listening to the radio on his God-Pod and found spiritual encouragement. Through an evangelistic series broadcast he learned about the Sabbath, but has never been able to attend an Adventist church. He listened to the DAR Sunday morning program and was extremely grateful that the broadcast is in both Navajo and English. He claims his favorite translator is Anita. He stated, "She does the best and the way she speaks the Navajo language is beautiful!"

Just before Sander's call about his God-Pod, a delayed shipment had arrived with 300 new God-Pods. Pester considers this another demonstration that "God's timing is good" and that God is truly blessing this radio ministry to the Navajo Nation.

Sanders's good-bye words were, "I live in a one-room house with my dog, Sam. I don't have all the things I used to have, but because Jesus is in my life and I love Him so much, I have everything."

3ABN TODAY

"REACHING HEARTS IN THE NAVAJO NATION"

On Sabbath, May 31, 2025 the <u>3BN Today</u> series featured Diné Adventist Radio (DAR) and the developing radio ministry to the Navajo Nation. Pastor John Lomacang and his wife, Angela,



interviewed Steve Pester, DAR Network Manager; Kenneth Kirtley, DAR Program Director; and Misty Kirtley, DAR Volunteer. Pester later reported that the program resulted in responsive financial support from viewers.

The interview covered the five year long history of the desire for a ministry dedicated to "Reaching Hearts in the Navajo Nation" and the massive undertaking that spans four Conferences, three Unions and millions of dollars. Mention was made of the three Full-Power and four Low-Power stations which will be incorporated into the network. The referral to the four Low-Power stations includes OUR OWN Bisti Broadcasting station which is being sponsored by Piñon Hills and Aztec SDA churches!!

The high point of the report was that one of the full-power stations is already on the air 24/7 and the second full power station is ready to go on the air as soon as the electric power is provided by the Navajo

Nation authorities. If you missed the interview, it is available online through the

3ABN site. Look for the title in quotes above.
Pester emphasized that Diné Adventist Radio is privileged to let the Navajo people know "How much Jesus accepts them; How He loves them; How He cares for them; and What He did for them."





Talents & Tomatoes

A big shout out to the members of Aztec, Piñon Hills, and other surrounding churches for being the enthusiastic customers who bought "lots" of tomato plants from the Aztec greenhouse of Sharrel Fulmer. As we all enjoy eating our home-grown tomatoes, we can think of Sharrel's agricultural talents! Sharrel donated all of the proceeds from the plant sale to Bisti Broadcasting!! Speaking of talents -- what Godgiven talent of yours might be used in the process of building our radio

station and the broadcasting of Christian programs to the Navajo Nation around us?



Thank you for your interest in Bisti Broadcasting, your prayers, and your financial support. Remember that your tax deductible donations can be given through Piñon Hills SDA Church or online through Adventist Giving. Checks or money orders should be mailed to 1108 N Chaparral Street, Bloomfield, NM 87413.