

Folk Mountain Gospel Newsletter September 2019

Greetings from “Folk Mountain”!

This is our 3rd FMG newsletter. We had hoped to make these newsletters more often, maybe when we “retire” from our “day jobs” we will be able to meet that goal.

2019 has been a busy and wonderful year so far! Besides traveling almost every weekend, we were blessed to take a trip in April and May to the beautiful northern Arizona desert and southern Colorado mountains. We attended Navajo Camp Meeting at LaVida Mission and were privileged to learn about the miraculous history of the Mission and hear relatives of Lillikai, (one of the very first female Navajo Christians in the area) tell about the dream the Lord gave Lillikai to prompt her to envision and start the Mission school. Her sister (likely in her 90's), speaking in the beautiful Dine' language, interpreted by her Granddaughter talked tearfully about Lillikai's character and love for her people. We got to go to the school to help with morning worship and the children were very interested in the biblical instruments and enjoyed learning to play them. We were especially blessed to hear them sing “Do Lord” (Bohol nii hi”) and “Jesus Loves Me” (“Jesus ayoo' asho'ni”) in the Navajo (Dine') language. Durango, Cortez and Monte Vista, CO and Farmington, NM also welcomed us cordially and made us feel right at home.

We were privileged to attend 2 other camp meetings this year as well. In June we went to “Olde Time Camp Meeting” in Deer Lodge, TN and our granddaughter Eva came with us. She helped us with music and enjoyed the Junior-Youth activities along with camping in “Big Blue”. In July we got to attend the “Colorado Cowboy Camp Meeting” in the Uncompahgre National Forest, approximately 10,000 feet elevation. We always enjoy the scenery, fellowship and fun of this unique Camp Meeting experience! Sue Stormant and some of her riding companions from Missouri also attended, bringing their horses and trail-riding along the mountain trails. Donna and Sue presented a special children's program during the church service, and everyone enjoyed the character building stories, crafts and singing. Having the opportunity to fellowship with friends, praise the Lord in song together and receive the rich outpouring of the Lord's blessing makes us return year after year as time allows. It is a little foretaste of that great heavenly “Camp Meeting” to come!

In October we are planning our next big trip to Pennsylvania. Donna's Aunt Minnie has been wanting us to come back and share the Lord with those in the Retirement Center where she lives. We will also get to see several dear friends, how we long for heaven where time and distance won't limit our fellowship!

One of the biggest events this year is the completion of our first book “The Adventures of Folk Mountain Gospel”. It has been submitted to the printer and should be available in October. We are also working on 2 new CD projects and a new DVD.

Thank-you for reading our newsletter and for your prayers and encouragement as we travel! May the Lord continue to bless each of you and your families, as we look forward to more adventures and opportunities to share Jesus' love! Let us know if you would like us to come to your church, we are scheduling into 2020 already! It is always a special adventure to say hello to each new City Limit sign and then goodbye as we travel on down the road.