

Missionary Highlight



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It was 25 years ago that I moved to Pikangikum with a case of Beginner Bibles, a case of Bibles, a guitar, two suitcases, a bag of puppets, one support church and two individuals contributing on a monthly basis. A call from God to teach his Word to native kids, and an invitation to start a Sunday School in his church from Pastor Norman Quill. I was called the 'big white lady' in Ojibwe.

Several years before, a promise God impressed upon my heart was Psalm 126:5-6. "They that sew in tears shall reap with joy. He that continually goes forth with weeping...shall come again with rejoicing." I had no idea how many tears that would be – tears of grief and sorrow to losing children and youth to suicide and friends to disease. But also tears of joy in seeing God at work.

The most precious thing God has provided is relationships. With the Ojibwe people who have been so good to me and with churches and individuals who have partnered with me.

Now I am 65. No, I don't have a home to retire to somewhere, nor do I want one! But I recognize that I don't have the same energy I did when I first came and ministry needs have multiplied. Thank you for all your support and kindnesses towards me.

Biggest Prayer Request –

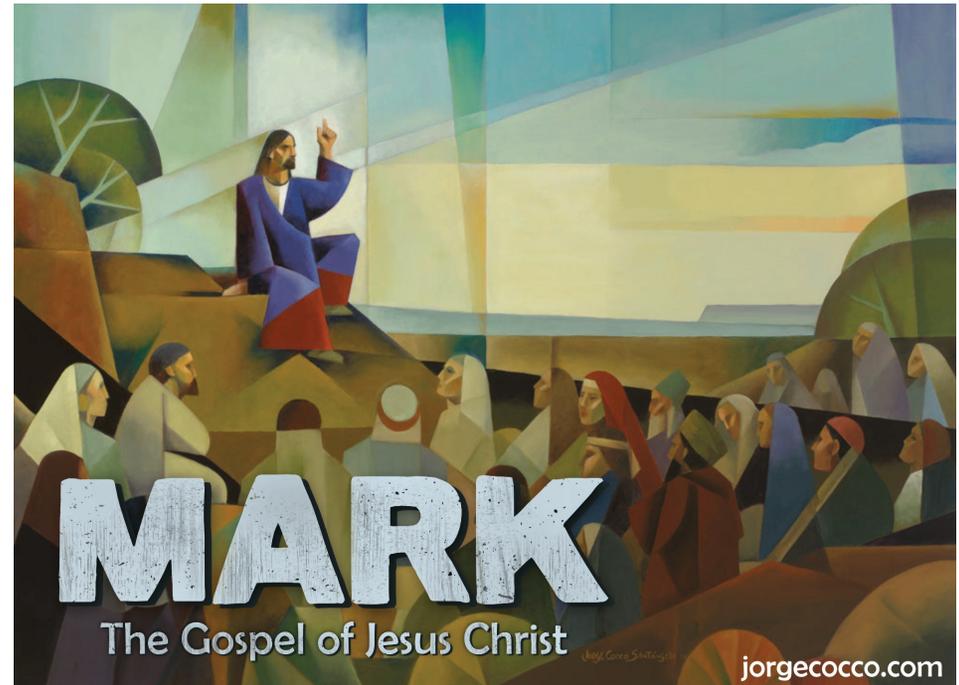
1. Trusting the Lord for more laborers to minister to kids and youth. He is faithful to answer.

August 2022	YTD Giving	YTD Expenses
General Fund (Calendar Year)	\$ 159,350	\$ 186,196
Missions Fund (Budget Year)	\$ 37,318	\$ 28,998



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Weekly Events & Opportunities

- A Mother's Room (back of the sanctuary) and Nursery (downstairs) are available for **families with young children**.
- **Tailgate Party** – today, immediately following our time of worship. Come try out a ministry 'team' at the Tailgate Party in the gym!! Brats & tailgate food will be served.
- **Memorial Service** – for Maurice 'Red' Ohlquist on Monday, Sept 12; Visitation at 10am; Service at 11am with a luncheon to follow.
- **Prayer Gathering** – Monday, Sept 12 at 6:30pm.
- **Baby Shower for Rachel Griffith** – will be on Saturday, Sept 24 at 1pm at Francine Anderson's home (3501 Cty Rd 130). Please RSVP to Francine at 218.290.0821 by Sept 12. Rachel is registered at www.babylist.com/kdcityurr or City Drug.
- **Youth Sunday School & Confirmation**– will begin Sept 18 at 9:30am.
- **Ladies Bible Study** – beginning Wednesday, Sept 21 at 1pm.
- **65+ Campfire & Leaf Tour** – at the Magnuson's (3242 Cty Rd 24; Van Lynn Road) on Sept 22 at 5:30pm. Please eat before coming; snacks will be provided. The van will be available to transport you to Magnuson's; sign-up in the lobby. If you have a side-by-side that you are willing to drive or borrow, please contact Magnuson's.
- **Bluewater Covenant Women's Fall Retreat** – Sept 23-25; \$85; Kecia Stroot will be sharing; register online.
- **Membership Class** – September 24; 10am-2pm.

Jesus on Money

Mark 10.13-31

¹³ And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴ But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. ¹⁵ Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." ¹⁶ And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

¹⁷ And as he was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸ And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. ¹⁹ You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.'" ²⁰ And he said to him, "Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth." ²¹ And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." ²² Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

²³ And Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴ And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how difficult it is ^[a] to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶ And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, ^[b] "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷ Jesus looked at them and said, "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God." ²⁸ Peter began to say to him, "See, we have left everything and followed you." ²⁹ Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, ³⁰ who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹ But many who are first will be last, and the last first."