

# The Sheridans



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## Missionaries in North Dakota to the Chippewa Indians

### Planting Churches

*Ps 122:1...I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD.*

### Winning Souls

*Pro 11:30 ...He that winneth souls is wise*

### Training Nationals

*2Ti 2:2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.*

### Reaching the World

*Mark 16:15... Go ye into all the world...*

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Dear Pastors and Praying Friends:

This year has gone by quickly. September was a month of surgeries and doctor appointments. I had a skin cancer removed on my temple and an MRI. I am glad to report that I have no serious issues with my health now, except I cut off the end of my thumb cutting sheetrock. I had to fix some plumbing behind the washer and dryer and had to cut out some drywall. Cutting the new drywall, my thumb got in the way, and I sliced off a portion of it. It's doing fine now.

We have been busy at the church. We are getting ready for our Thanksgiving\Christmas special on December 1st. We are having a meal and fellowship and are inviting all we can in hopes that some will come and be saved. We are also practicing Christmas songs. We aren't very good, but we are doing the best we can.

I am rejoicing at the growth of some of our folks. Two of our men are making efforts to learn a musical instrument so they can play in church. One is learning the piano, and the other the mandolin. I can play the guitar, mandolin and bass guitar, but we already have a guitar player; so one of the guys is trying to learn the mandolin. So one of these days we might have enough to play a tune or two.

Our Junior Church is starting to come alive again. For quite a while we had no children coming, but now children are starting to liven up our church once again.

In October, we passed out several hundred bags of candy with three different tracts and a church brochure and a Bible app for a phone. We don't participate in Halloween nor glorify it in any way, but we do have an opportunity to give out the gospel as they come to us. One man in the church gave out bags at his house on a street where most of the children are, and we gave out bags at the church. We had quite a few in the church preparing the bags the day before.

I can't blame everything on Covid, but it seemed during Covid people quit coming to church and after Covid they just didn't come back. It has been a struggle since then, but I see signs of growth again. We still have a long way to go, but I am encouraged.

Several have asked for prayer requests, and we have a few:

1. Our support level has dropped significantly. Please pray it will increase.
2. Lacking in our church are Sunday School teachers. Pray some will commit
3. We are praying for an assistant pastor who has some musical and youth talent.

If you can take a moment to pray for us this week, we would be grateful. In our church on Wednesday nights, we have an evening message and then take prayer requests. After the prayer requests we have special requests for two types of people: the saved and the backslidden. Those are written on cards and put in a basket. Each Wednesday evening we pass the basket around, and everyone takes a card or two. Then we pray for them, and the folks are encouraged to pray for that person or two every day during the week. We have seen people come back to church and the lost come to church, I believe, because of these prayers. I am not telling anyone to do the same thing we do but just showing you that your prayers are valuable and they work. We covet your prayers.

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