



# MNAM



**'COME FROM THE FOUR WINDS, O BREATH, AND BREATHE UPON THESE SLAIN,  
THAT THEY MAY LIVE.' EZEKIEL 37:9B**

## Mission Statement

The Mission of the Montana Native American Ministries and Four Winds Ministry Center is to offer a higher purpose for living and equip lives by giving hope and an expected end through Jesus Christ.

## Objective Statement of Ministry

We will strive in the power of the Holy Spirit to provide a place of shelter, of healing, and of safety to any and all the Lord brings into our path. We will minister with purpose and intent: constantly keeping our eyes on the time, seeking the lost before it is too late. We will strive to nurture the value that each and every individual has and to seek potential over problems, hearts over appearances, and relational bridges void of religious walls.

## World Missions Project #'s

**Justin & Jessica Countryman:**  
**102-9564**

**Four Winds Ministry Center:**  
**102-9542**

## SEASONS OF CHANGE



We are entering a "Season of Change." The time has come for us to pass the torch. This will officially take place January 2025. For the past 24 years, we have been Directors of Four Winds Ministries and Four Winds Ministry Center, founding it in December 2001.

MNAM (Montana Native American Ministries) was founded 50 years ago when we left IL in 1975 to answer the call of God upon our lives to come to MT to work with the Native Americans here. We have reached our 50 year mark, which was and has been our goal and prayer!  
To God be the glory!

Many of you already know God's choice for the new Directors. We are so grateful to the Lord that the ministry will live on through the very capable hands of our son Justin and daughter-in-law Jessica and family - Logan, Connor, Charlee, and Serenity. It is time for their "new season." A time for fresh insight, vision, and energy! Please continue your prayers and support for them and for this ministry, as they take the lead.

(The picture to the left is Ron and Kathy's 7th Blanket Wrap that happened on the 23rd of September to celebrate their 7th year of monthly food deliveries to the Crow people in Pryor, MT!)

We'd like to take this time to offer our sincere and heartfelt thanks to all of our prayer partners, donors, supporters, and volunteers for your generosity and faithfulness over these 50 years. You have been the ones who have made it possible for us to do what we have done all these years. Without you, none of this would have been possible. You have filled our lives with so many rich memories, events, and moments.

We want to say a very special Thank You to two men: Rev. Roland Vaughan, former World Missions Director and friend who believed in us and was intricate in the purchasing of Four Winds through our World Missions Department; and Rev. Daniel F. Boling, former MT Overseer, friend, and supporter of us all of these years - helping us to expand our presence on the 7 Reservations in MT, broadening our ministry.

It is with mixed feelings we say "Goodbye" to everyone. Its been an honor and privilege to work alongside of you for God's Kingdom, making a difference in so many lives! THANK YOU!!!

All our love,

Ron and Kathy

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## Greetings from Justin and Jessica!

Hello! Many of you already know Jessica and I from our previous involvement with Four Winds. We have served under mom and dad for quite a few years, and have gleaned much from their faithfulness in the midst of their ministry over these last 50 years!

We would like to tell you a little bit about ourselves:

Justin is an Ordained Bishop with the Church of God, Cleveland, TN. He has a Bachelor's Degree from Lee University in Pastoral Ministry with an emphasis in Church Administration. He also has a Master's Degree in Practical Theology from Regent University. He has served on the North Central Region Youth and Discipleship Board as well as on the North Central Region Regional Council.

Justin has been involved in full-time ministry for 18 years, being a pastor for 11 of those eighteen years. He has a heart to see the Gospel of Jesus Christ spread beyond the four walls of the church to meet real people in real situations, regardless of looks, ideals, or circumstances.

Jessica left her government job in Virginia in 2012 to move to Lame Deer, Montana to care for foster children. She has been involved in full time ministry for 12 years. She has successfully fed, nurtured, and cared for over 30 children day in and day out. She has served on the North Central Region Ladies Ministries Board, has started numerous successful outreach ministries to women and mothers, currently directs MomCo (a ministry geared towards moms), leads the Youth at Bozeman Church of God, and handles all the day-in/day-out responsibilities for both Four Winds Ministry Center and Bozeman Church of God. She homeschools Connor and does all of the above with a newborn! She is the gear that makes everything work for successful ministry.

Justin currently works as a 911 Dispatcher for Sweet Grass County Sheriff's Office, and both Justin and Jessica pastor the Bozeman Church of God in Bozeman, MT (a round trip distance of 154 miles from Four Winds).

Both Jessica and Justin have lived and served at Four Winds. Justin was saved at Four Winds Ministry Center, and they met at Four Winds. Even though they have gone through many varied ministry jobs, positions, and appointments, they feel like all of that was preparation for where they sit now - right on the precipice of taking over a ministry that has done so much for and means so much to them.

We long to provide a place of serenity and healing to pastors facing burn out, which we will describe in detail in an upcoming newsletter. We long to continue food programs to the reservations, as well as gearing back up into multiple youth camps throughout the summer. We have dreams to get Four Winds to the point where we can provide a place for retreats, trainings, events, seminars, etc. all throughout the year. Big dreams, God-sized dreams, takes lots of partners. We want to thank you for your loyal support of Four Winds for all these years, and we humbly ask for your continued support as Four Winds moves into the future.

## NEEDS

We desperately need help with utilities in the winter months - they can run \$2000 a month!

We also need your financial help to finish a dorm to use for burnt out pastors and camp staff!