

WIND RIVER INDIAN RESERVATION TRANSPORTATION Fort Washakie, Wyoming — \$40,000

With the purchase of a church building near Fort Washakie in the spring of 1978 by the LCMS Wyoming District, the mission work with the Shoshone and Arapaho Native American tribes began. A large part of this ministry is focused on outreach to the children of the Wind River Indian Reservation. Due to the distance from their homes and with transportation options being limited, very few children are able to attend the Bible classes in Fort Washakie and Crowheart. A suitable vehicle will enable the children to continue the 88-mile round trip to Fort Washakie to Sunday school and the 60-mile round trip to Crowheart for the “Monday” school. These classes are the mission’s best, and in most instances, the only opportunity to share the Gospel of Christ with the children living on the Reservation.

The children of this high-poverty ethnic area receive few or no opportunities for Christian education. Often, there is little involvement from the parents in their children’s education,

and they make no effort to attend church. However, the parents grant the Wind River Lutheran Mission (WRLM) staff permission to pick up their children and take them to Sunday school or VBS. There they learn about Jesus, and the children become Christ-bearers, shining their light and pointing their families to the Savior.

In order to accomplish this work, funds are needed to purchase a reliable passenger van for the children’s transportation. A van, rather than a school bus, is preferred, as van drivers are not required to obtain a special license. Your support of Mission Grant #9, the Wind River Indian Reservation Transportation at Fort Washakie, Wyoming, is greatly appreciated.

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God (Philippians 4:6).