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I started 2017 by going to Wichita, KS to lead a church wide conference specifically focusing on the spiritual well-being of the members of the church. The study was taken from the book, "The Search for Significance, Dr. Robert McGee", it was a good study. Pray for Indian Southern as they seek the Lord's leading in selecting a pastor.



Also, I attended a Conference at NAMB for Ethnic Leaders of the SBC. It was a privilege to listen and learn from these leaders as they presented their perspective of their people group. Much discussion around the name, 'Many Faces of SBC' being renamed as the 'Changing Faces of the SBC'. I was very impressed with the amount of information shared and insight into the history, and contributions made by the different ethnicities who are a part of the SBC. A book is being compiled to be shared with leaders across the SBC during the convention in Phoenix.



In February, I was contacted by Holdenville First Indian Baptist Church as they were seeking help remodeling a church that was given to them. I spoke to Hubert Ladner, MS and he along with some of his team traveled to OK to assess needs and to determine how they could possibly help. In May the team from MS will be coming to OK. I contacted Bro Jimmy Anderson, Many Springs Baptist Church, located near Holdenville to ask if it would be possible for the team to stay in their fellowship hall while working on FIBC's building. Many Springs agreed to allow the team to use their fellowship hall, this will be a blessing in helping to reduce costs for the team, from MS, as they help with remodeling FIBC.

I also, had carpel tunnel surgery in February, on my left wrist, I was told over a year ago by a neurologist that I had severe carpel tunnel in both my wrists. After progressively becoming worse I figured surgery was long over-due, it was a little painful in recovery and is still sensitive but continues to be better all the time.



My wife, Paula and I recently returned from SC and NC where I presented, "Native Worldview Studies", preached at Bethany Baptist, Pembroke, NC and shared the ministry of FoNAC at a mission fair hosted by Morning Star Ministries, Director Charles Locklear, which was a wonderful conference on missions from several different perspectives.



This week I'm in revival at Little Coweta Indian Baptist, Lenna, OK, this is the church where Paula and I both received Christ as our Savior. Bro Ernest Best was our Pastor and he instilled in our hearts to reach Native people as well as to all people beginning at home and extending around the world with the Gospel.

I continue to serve as the pastor of Native Stone Baptist, a mission church plant in Tulsa. We have a great congregation, meeting in homes of our members. Although it's been a wonderful experience doing this, we feel strongly that we need a place of more permanence to grow into the church our Lord has commissioned us to be, pray for us.

I have been assisting Phil Lawrence with a booklet entitled, 'New Life in Jesus', a collection of messages and testimonies expressly written by, "Native Men for Native Men". Those contributing to this book are men who have a passion for the unreached and under-reached men of Native America.

FoNAC, is looking forward to our upcoming 2-day conference, 'Dimensions to Native Ministry', June 10-11, 2017 to be followed by our annual meeting which will be at the Phoenix Convention Center on the 12th. Also, we will have booth space at the Southern Baptist Convention's Exhibit Hall 'Changing Faces of the SBC', which will afford us opportunities to make contact with hundreds of other believers.

Thanks & May God Bless you, for your prayerful, and financial support, all in Jesus' Name & for HIS Glory!

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