

Trailblazer

Keeping in touch, seeking your prayer and involvement.

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New Website: www.westbranchAZ.org

Communication is a wonderful thing! My niece recently moved to Sweden to serve the Lord there. It will be three years till I see her, but I imagine we'll be in contact as much as ever before. Thank God for the conveniences in the day we live!

We have recently finished our own year-long project to help our communication with you! The new West Branch website is forthright and easy to navigate. There is information concerning our history, our development, and current ministry. We hope you'll check it out!

We think this is a great time to have it up and

running because we are about to embark on one of our busiest times of the year. In February we will be in fourteen churches providing preaching, music, and kids' programs.



Then we will have our annual Conference on Marriage and the Home in Peoria, Arizona, with Wil Rice IV and John Goetsch joining me.

March and April will bring along our men's and ladies' events, so we trust the website will help us get the word out.

We also have some work going on with the development of the new West Branch facility. Since our breakthrough in the fall concerning sanitation, our project manager has been lining up meetings to move forward with engineering and various approvals needed. Two such meetings are scheduled in middle February with the goal of being able to present a site plan amendment to the City of Williams in March. (continued on back)

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February Ministry in AZ

	Harvest BC	
	Goodyear	2/6 AM
•	Mountain Side BC	
	Surprise	2/6 PM
•	Ferguson BC	
	Mesa	2/9
,	Faith BC	
	Cottonwood	2/10
,	Open Door BC Banq	uet
	Catalina	2/11
,	Cornerstone BC	
	Phoenix	2/13 AM
,	Lakeside BC	
	Peoria	2/13 PM
,	Tohono O'odham BO	
	Arizona City	2/16
,	Gospel Light BC	
	Mesa	2/17
,	Buckeye BC	
	Buckeye	2/20 AM
,	Vision BC	
	Goodyear	2/20 PM
,	Faith BC	
	Wickenburg	2/23
,	Conference on Marriage	
	and the Home	
	Peoria	2/25-26
,	Royal View BC	
	Gilbert	2/27 AM

West Branch on the Move Team

For the fifth consecutive year, we are excited to have a ministry team travel to churches in Arizona. This year we are joined by Frank and Lindsay Finney of Tennessee, Christina Gibbs of Florida, and Isaac Edwards of North Carolina. Our team will be in four-

teen churches before and after the Conference on Marriage and the Home, February 25-26, in Peoria.

Along with the Bible preaching, we will also present Christ-honoring music, a kids' program (as needed), and information

about upcoming West Branch events.

Our goal is to encourage churches through these uplifting services and challenge people to commit some time and resources to helpful conferences this spring.

Please pray for:

2/27 PM

1. Effective ministry with churches and families

Sun & Shield BC

Marana

- 2. Sale of a home by a family who wants to serve at West Branch
- 3. Development meetings in February and March

What's A 2011Trailblazer?

2011 *Trailblazers* are churches that have been a special blessing to West Branch in 2010 specifically through one or more of the following:

- 1. Attending 2+ events,
- Attending 1+ event and having a WB evangelist preach in their church,
- 3. Supporting WB (or Carlsons) regularly, or
- 4. Hosting an event (2010 or 2011).

West Branch on the Move Schedule

• Arizona Regional Conference on Marriage & the Home

Peoria, AZ February 25-26

• Southwest Regional Men on the Move Conference

Williams, AZ March 18-19

Ladies Spring Getaway

Flagstaff, AZ April 30

Arizona Youth Challenge

various churches in Arizona July 3-September 3

Arizona Regional Youth Conference

Peoria, AZ September 10

• Rocky Mountain Men on the Move Conference

Fort Collins, CO October 21-22

Thanking the Lord for safety: Glad to be Home!

We have just returned from a very long trip! Having left West Branch November 3, we returned January 18, having covered thousands of miles. Every three years or so, we head back east around the holidays, not only to see family but also to hold revival meetings or conferences with dear pas-

tors back there. We are glad to do it and glad for the chances to minister. But boy are we glad to be home! In fact, when we drove back into Arizona, we all cheered as we saw the "Welcome to Arizona" sign. Of course, we love beauty of the West, but more so, we love the opportunity to minister with our dear friends from so many wonderful churches right here at home in the West!





New Website continued from front

Please pray with us that we will be able to take important steps forward.

I also want to let you know that many of you will soon start receiving separate development updates. Our goal is to keep you informed of the progress and the needs during the process. It may be that some of you will have contacts that could help us move ahead with various stages of the project. Already several of you have put us in touch with people that had the expertise we needed at just the right time. Certainly God

has been answering our prayers by sending us people to help.

So, please be in touch—not only about what we have going on, but about your goings-on as well. We pray for each of you regularly and appreciate the opportunity to partner in the ministry with you.



Dining Hall foundation: getting closer to starting actual construction again!

Thank you!

A very special thank you to those of you who have given generously over the past year! West Branch could not exist without your help.

We thank the Lord for each church that faithfully provides regular support, monthly or several times per year.

We also thank the Lord for a very special \$2000 gift that was given at the end of last year to help with expenses as we continue moving forward with the development of the new campsite.