

The McDaniel Family

Missionaries to the Navajo People



Goals

- ◇ **Preach the Gospel**
- ◇ **Disciple Believers**
- ◇ **Develop Leaders**
- ◇ **Plant Churches**

We are the McDaniel family John, April, David and Alyx

We have been privileged to serve as ministry interns at East Mesa Baptist Church, in Mesa Arizona, for three years under the leadership of Pastor F.M. Hughes.

During a revival meeting in 2012, we surrendered to go the Navajo reservation as missionaries. We believe, without a shadow of a doubt, that God has called us to reach the Navajo people, one of the largest Native American tribes, with over 300,000 members.

In June 2014, we were approved as BIMM Missionaries and we will be starting deputation on March 1st, 2015.

We have an awesome opportunity to reach Navajos with the gospel of Jesus Christ, and we would like to partner with you as we participate in God's plan to evangelize the world.

John's Testimony



I came to know the Lord Jesus Christ as my Savior when I was nineteen years old. I was stationed overseas on the island of Sicily, serving my country as a United States Sailor. When my enlistment ended in 2004, I began attending West Coast Baptist College, where I met the love of my life. April and I were married at her home church, Naschitti Baptist Church in 2008. God led us to move to Mesa, Arizona in 2011, and we immediately became ministry interns at East Mesa Baptist Church. In 2012, April and I both sensed God leading us to go to the Navajo Reservation as missionaries, and we finally surrendered at a revival meeting preached by Evangelist Mark Rogers. I finished my final class at West Coast and graduated in May of 2013, and in June of 2014, we were approved as BIMI Missionaries. I am so thankful for what God is doing in my life.

April's Testimony



I was raised on the Navajo Indian Reservation where my dad has pastored for the past twenty-six years. At the age of five, I realized that I was a sinner in need of a Savior, and asked Christ to save me from my sins. In the fall of 2000, the Lord led me to attend high school at Bible Baptist Shepherd in Standing Rock, New Mexico. It was during these years that I surrendered to be a missionary and to attend Bible College. While attending West Coast Baptist College I began to develop a burden for my people. As I look back on my life I see the Lord directed my steps. I'm thrilled that I have the opportunity to serve Him.

*Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest,
that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.*

Matthew 9:38





Utah



Arizona

New Mexico



Facts

The Navajo Nation is the largest reservation in the United States, situated on over 27,000 square miles of land within the states of Arizona, New Mexico, and Utah.²

In terms of size, the Navajo land is larger than 10 of the 50 states in the US, and is about the size of West Virginia. The topography includes arid deserts and alpine forests with high plateaus, mesas, and mountains reaching as high as 10,500 feet in altitude.³

Almost all Navajo people speak English today, but nearly 150,000 Navajos also speak their native Navajo language. Navajo is a complex language with tones and many different vowel sounds. Most English speakers find it very difficult to pronounce. If you'd like to know an easy Navajo word, "ya'á'ée'h" (sounds a little like yah-ah-t-ay) means "hello" in Navajo.⁴

Unemployment among Navajos living on the reservation is 42%.²

1. <http://www.discovernavajo.com>
2. <http://www.navajobusiness.com/fastFacts/index.htm>
3. 2009-2010 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy The Navajo Nation
4. http://www.bigorin.org/navajo_kids.htm



Navajo Nation capital, Window Rock, Arizona

Navajo woman making traditional rug¹



Recommendations



East Mesa Baptist Church
*The end of your search for
a Bible loving Church*



Our Ministries

Soul Winning
Food Bank Ministry
Spanish Ministry
Prison Outreach
Nursing Home
Teen Group
Widows Watch
Clothing Ministry
Awana Clubs
Children's Church
VBS Ministry
Singles Ministry
Ladies Bible Study
Keenagers
Men's Ministry
Global Missions
Discipleship Class
M.A.P. Ministry

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Dear Fellow Labourer in the Lord,

Greetings in the name of our wonderful Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. It is with great pleasure I recommend John and April McDaniel to you. We are delighted to send them out of our church to reach the Navajo Native American People of New Mexico.

John and April have served with us here the past three years. They have been faithful in many of our ministries here including nursery, children's ministry, sound booth, Awana, altar work, song leading, preaching and teaching. They are supported monthly by us, their sending church. Please consider having them come and present the work God has called them to do. They are currently scheduling meetings for 2015. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me (480) 986-9827 or visit our website at eastmesabaptist.com or e-mail me at embc@azboss.net.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration of these two dear servants of the Lord.

In His Service,

Pastor Hughes

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Dear Pastor,

It is my privilege to recommend to you John and April McDaniel, missionaries with Baptist International Missions and the Reseeding America Ministry. The McDaniel family will be planting churches to reach Native Americans (Navajo) in New Mexico. As their USA Director, I have observed that John and April have a sincere love for the Navajo people and they want to see them won to Christ and grounded in the Word of God.

I met the McDaniel family several years ago when I was assisting one of our BIMi Reseeding America church planters in Avondale, Arizona. They came to volunteer and assist the church planting missionary. As we talked that day, I sensed the call of God on their lives. They have now stepped out by faith to answer that call. John and April are now raising support to go to New Mexico. Their desire is to see the Navajo people reached with the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to see churches started.

If you would prayerfully consider having them present their ministry at your church, you will not be disappointed. May I also ask you to consider making this family a part of the mission outreach of your church? May the Lord richly bless you.

Your Partner in the Harvest,

Bob Larson - USA Director
Reseeding America Ministry - Baptist International Missions, Inc.

Cell 423-605-6098

Dear Pastor,

Please consider us as your future missionaries. We would love to present our ministry in your church and share our burden and the vision of the work that God is doing on the Navajo Reservation with your congregation. God has given us an open door to reach the Navajo people with the Gospel, and now we are stepping out by faith to do what God has called us to do. We are praying that you will partner with us as we participate in God's plan to evangelize the world. Please give us a call or send us an email.

Sincerely,

John McDaniel



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