

Trailblazer

Keeping in touch, seeking your prayer and involvement.

West Branch on the Move, 2501 E. Pinetree Dr., Williams, AZ 86046

Celebrating 25 years of ministry in the West

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Camp in 2015!

It seems the question everyone wants to know is, "When will West Branch be open for summer camps again?" For some time, we have wanted to know that too! We have now set a goal to open the new facility in the summer of 2015. This is not a promise, but it is a goal...and we need your help!

West Branch has always been a ministry of working together. We exist to help churches like yours see lives changed. We are now asking you to partner with us to see the goal of camp in 2015 become a reality.

There are four infrastructure projects and four construction projects that we need to complete in order to reach this goal. Could your church send men to help us with one of these projects? (Details on back.)

We need to accomplish a lot of work between April and June because we are also holding a "trial run" camp for 25-30 campers during two different weeks *this summer!* These camps will accommodate a few churches that have regularly supported West



Branch and have had work groups on site.

We also have scheduled a 25th Anniversary Reunion for staff alumni and friends on Saturday, July 5, 2014. There are a number of former summer staff and friends already planning to attend.

So, as you can see, there is much to be done. That's why we need your help. Would you pray about partnering with us to see the 2015 camps goal met?

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Upcoming Ministry:

March—We will be holding our **Men on the Move Conference**, March 21-22. Evangelists Bill Rice III and Isaac Edwards will be preaching in several area churches.

April—At the end of the month, we will have our Ladies Spring Getaway. We will also be hosting a family for three weeks volunteering work on the development.

May—Revival services are scheduled at Cornerstone Baptist Church in Kingman, Arizona, May 4-8. We also plan to have "work weeks" for development progress.

Please pray for:

1. **Men on the Move Conference**, March 21-22.
2. *Funds and workers needed for 2014 development project goals.*
3. *Bids and financing for sanitation installation (\$200,000-\$300,000)*
4. *Sale of Dennis and Lynda Duncan's home in western Tennessee as they want to serve at West Branch in the area of maintenance*

Early 2014 Ministry—Helping Families

We began 2014 with our ministry team travelling to ten churches in the Phoenix area. Isaac Edwards (NC) and Katie Skrabacz (FL) joined our family, helping with music and kids' clubs. What a blessing to see ten people saved during our meetings!



Some of the families who attended the Marriage & the Home Conference

In early February, the Wil Rice family (TN), Frank Finney (TN), Bill & Barb Bach (AZ), and others joined us to hold our Marriage & the Home Conference in north Phoenix. Over two hundred people represented fourteen churches at the event. (continued on back)

2014 Trailblazers

Thank you to each and every one of the **forty-four churches** that qualified to be 2014 **Trailblazers**! Your consistent involvement is a great blessing to us! Any church that has ever hosted an event qualifies. Others qualify through participation, giving, or through using West Branch evangelists.



West Branch on the Move Schedule

- **Southwest Regional *Men on the Move* Conference**
Williams, AZ March 21-22
- **Ladies Spring Getaway**
Flagstaff, AZ April 26
- **Arizona Youth Challenge**
Arizona churches June 1-August 2
- **25th Anniversary Reunion**
Williams, AZ July 5
- **“Trial Run” Camps on the WB Site**
Williams, AZ July 7-11; 28-Aug. 1
- **Arizona Regional Youth Conference**
Peoria, AZ September 27
- **Navajo Region Marriage & the Home Conference**
Gallup, NM October 10-11
- **Rocky Mountain Regional *Men on the Move* Conference**
Fort Collins, CO October 17-18

Construction Projects for 2014

- Complete bunkhouse renovation *Needs—carpenters, electrician*
- Complete youth cabins *Needs—\$3,000, carpenters, painters*
- Complete first aid station *Needs—\$3,000, carpenters, painters*
- Concrete basketball court *Needs—Concrete contractor, \$7,500*

Infrastructure Projects for 2014

- Water system installation *\$50,000 (early estimate) Volunteers needed*
- Fire system installation *\$150,000 Volunteers may be able to be used.*
- Sanitation system installation *\$200,000-\$300,000 (bidding starts soon)*
- Electrical distribution hookup *Need—Electrical design (engineer)*



Early 2014 Ministry—Helping Families

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We know that family means a lot to everyone. Family health is critical to church health too. That's why we are so burdened to support Christian families through events like these.



Evangelist Wil Rice presented messages describing our homes as the training grounds for life. I preached on the influence of generations (2 Chr. 29-34) and raising children with grandchildren in mind (Deut. 6). It was a great atmosphere with godly music, some laughs, Bible teaching, and good fellowship with friends from around Arizona.

Brother Isaac Edwards led the Kids' Conference for elementary aged children. With songs, stories, games, prizes, and Tae Kwon Do illustrated

Kids' Conference Tae Kwon Do Illustrated Bible Message



Bible messages, the children had much to enjoy. We praise the Lord for one girl who received assurance of salvation.

We are so thankful our first two months were not just busy but rewarding in serving our Savior.