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## We are asking God to rally a team to partner with us...

**PRAY!** There is no way this can be overemphasized, for in prayer the battle is fought and won.

### Pray...

- ...for these Nations. Pray for specific Tribes.
- ...for the PCA—that we will catch the “Life Path” vision.
- ...that God will call out men and women to bring this vision to life.
- ...that God will lead and provide what is needed to transform the vision into reality.
- ...that all of us will stay committed for the long haul in this ministry outreach.
- ...that the King and His Kingdom will come to these Nations.
- ...that God will raise up indigenous pastors and churches.
- ...how God might want to use you and your gifts in this outreach.

*“I’ve pitched my tent in the land of hope...  
You’ve got my feet on the life-path,  
With your face shining sun-joy all around.”  
(Acts 2:26, 28) The Message*

## Financial Support

MNA Native American/First Nations Ministries is prayerfully seeking financial support from individuals, churches, and presbyteries that will regularly give in order to help us reach our budget of \$124,000:

Three per year at \$10,000.....	\$30,000
Five per year at \$5,000.....	\$25,000
Ten per year at \$2,000.....	\$20,000
Ten per year at \$2,500.....	\$25,000
Twenty-four per year at \$1,000.....	\$24,000

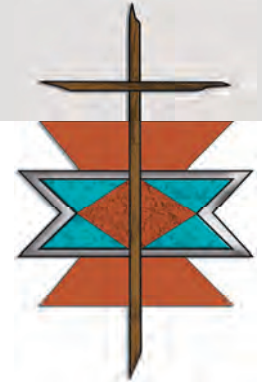
You can make a tax-deductible contribution to this ministry at: [www.pca-mna.org](http://www.pca-mna.org). Donations, made payable to Mission to North America, can also be mailed to:

**MNA**  
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# native american & first nations ministries



## The “Life Path” Vision...

There are over 500 Native American/First Nations tribes in North America. As a denomination, we have barely begun outreach to these sovereign Nations within our Nation. Within Indigenous cultures there is a strong pull toward spirituality; many are reaching back to their roots to find their identity and heritage. They often believe that to become a Christian means giving up their culture and their identity, and so they reject what they perceive as “The White Man’s Gospel.”

Historically, our government and its representatives have consistently broken treaties and trust with Indigenous Nations. Many atrocities have been endured, often committed in the name of “Christianity.” Why should they now accept the “religion” of these who have not kept their word? Walls of anger, hurt, and mistrust must be broken down and replaced with love, trust, and acceptance to make way for the message of hope. This takes time; this takes humility.

Jesus told us to “love our neighbors.” Historically, we have failed to do this with our first neighbors (though we invaded their neighborhood!). It is time to reach out to “love our neighbors.” Work among Native peoples is first of all **relational**. Relationships take time. There must be commitment for the long haul. We cannot just talk about the love of God; it must be demonstrated, “fleshed out” among them.



By working through our presbyteries and churches, MNA’s hope and desire is to be able to point these Native American/First Nations people to the “Life Path.” Only in Christ will they find their true identity and become all that God intended them to be. He will set their feet upon the “life-path” and His face will shine “sun-joy” into their lives.

## How does the “Life Path” Vision become reality?

It’s as simple as: “One Church, One Tribe”

“**One Church, One Tribe**” For churches and presbyteries that have a desire to become involved in outreach to Native American/First Nations peoples, there is a path. This path ultimately leads to God’s goal for His people: that we become One Church, One Tribe in Him.

We are developing this path and invite churches and presbyteries to join hands and begin to take practical steps toward reaching this goal of “One Church, One Tribe.” (This “blueprint” is available upon request.)

- Commit to praying for the Native Nations across the US, Canada, and Alaska.
- Focus prayer on a specific Tribe, learning all you can about them.
- Host seminars for the purpose of preparation.
- Commit to longterm relationships before ever making contact with any group.
- Pray for an opening for contact with the Tribe.
- Pray for a man, woman, couple, family who will commit their lives to this group of people and be willing and prepared to support and encourage them. This step is high priority!
- Consider the possibilities of sending in teams.
- Develop partnerships within churches and presbyteries for this venture.

## If you desire to be a part of the team...

We pray that churches and men and women in our churches will catch this vision and begin to reach out to Native American/First Nations communities across this continent...**one person at a time.**



We want to facilitate and encourage the development of seminars and curricula to offer training in this kind of cross-cultural ministry for use in churches, colleges, and seminaries.

We are asking God to meet the need for development of materials for discipleship training and the teaching of the doctrines of grace in a non-traditional format, easily grasped in the Native American cultural context.