

#### BRYAN & SHELLY

We have been married since 1999. Shelly is a "domestic engineer," wife and mother. Bryan is a loving, caring and "pun"tastic husband and father. We have 3 wonderful children, Rebecca, Zoey and Damien who are excited to be on this journey with us as a family. We have been to San Carlos about 5 times in the last year; each time knowing that this is where we will end up.

We began our journey with Christ in October of 2003. We have led bible studies and marriage studies including Love and Respect & Sacred Marriage. Shelly has been a youth group leader for the past 3 years at our home church, Oasis Community in Anaheim, CA. where Bryan has served as an Elder for over 5 years.

We went on a mission trip to Kenya in 2015 where it changed our lives! Shelly had never flown and neither of us had been out of the country so this was already going to be amazing. Then to see and be in a completely different culture and way of life in Kenya and how the Lord helped us adapt to it immediately, it seemed, we knew God wanted to use us but we didn't know how... yet.

When we went to San Carlos, AZ we knew this is where we felt a calling from the Lord that we need to serve Him there. We all have fallen in love with the Apache people and want to show them that God loves them and there is hope in Christ!



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#### IN THE GAP MINISTRIES

SERVING THE SAN CARLOS APACHE RESERVATION AZ



In The Gap Ministries 182 E Halby Ct Globe, AZ. 85501 payne4god@yahoo.com inthegapministries.com Our desire is to help the Apache People discover who Jesus is and learn to follow Him.

## WHAT WE DO

In the Gap serves by:

Leading weekly Bible Studies on the reservation, including mentoring and discipleship groups.
Spending time every week with families in Moonbase providing activities, crafts, snacks, playing basketball, bible trivia, conversations and growing deeper relationships.

- Sharing our lives with our brothers and sisters, sharing the Light in a spiritually dark and desolate place.

- Working alongside teams joining us from around the world in providing VBS, community /kids' programs, various repair work for our Apache brothers and sisters, and working alongside our Apache friends.





### THE NEED

The San Carlos Apache Reservation was established in 1871 and is the 3rd largest reservation in Arizona, encompassing 1.8 million acres of land in Eastern Arizona with a population of just over 10,300. (2016)

- San Carlos is one of the poorest Native American communities in the United States.

- 61% of the San Carlos Apache Tribe did not graduate from High School.

- The average life expectancy for a male Apache is 54 years.

- In San Carlos Apache Reservation, the violent crime rate is ten times the national average. Visit our website inthegapministries.com for more details.

Currently there are few Christian churches and even fewer mission organizations working with and sharing with this unreached people group here in our own backyard. We want to help change that. We believe the answer to hopelessness and despair is found in Christ.

## HOW TO HELP

PRAYER – send us an e-mail at IntheGapMinistriesAZ@gmail.com and say "sign me up for your prayer e-mails" or sign up at inthegapministries.com. FINANCIAL -Providing committed support Monthly - Quarterly - Annually -Making a one time gift of any amount Gift Cards - Walmart, Frys (grocery), Safeway, Ace Hardware, Home Depot, Lowes, Amazon Anything truly helps as we are raising all of our own support for this critical work.

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