



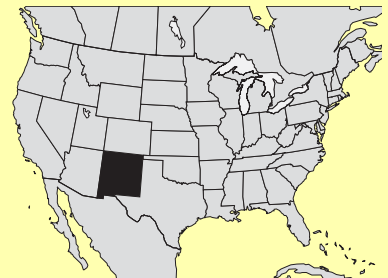
RCA Missionary Update

from the De Boers

Jicarilla Apache Reformed Church is located on an Indian reservation in Dulce, New Mexico. Bill and Peg DeBoer have been ministering on the reservation since 1994, and they have a long history of working with Native Americans. Bill's work in Dulce includes community involvement, especially with alcohol and drug abuse programs. Peg's primary responsibilities are in the Sunday school, youth group, and women's ministries. The couple also provides emergency care for foster children.

New Mexico facts:

- Population: 1,819,000
- Size: 121,600 square miles



MINISTRY

Pastoral

LOCATION

Dulce, New Mexico

PARTNER

Jicarilla Apache Reformed Church

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Dear Friends,

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This year is shaping up to be a very challenging one for our church. Our youth pastor, Ina Montoya, and her husband, Tilford, have decided it is important for her to finish seminary training as soon as possible. So their entire family is moving to Holland, Michigan, at the end of the summer, where she plans to attend Western Seminary for a year. This will be quite a change for them—leaving the Apache community here and being immersed in a Dutch corner of the world will give them plenty of culture shock. It is a great comfort to know that wonderful hospitality awaits them there.



John and Beth with our daughter, Susan, and her family

grams for the nine months Ina will be away. This will also be an opportunity for members of our church to use their gifts, and we hope that some will step forward to assist in these ministries. Please be in prayer that the Lord uses this situation to bring spiritual growth to all of us.

On a more personal note, we were happy to welcome Beth to our family on February 24. That was the day our son John mar-

The Montoyas' absence will leave a large hole in the life of our congregation. Tilford has just begun a three-year term as elder, and we will miss his leadership and gifts. We are looking for a seminary intern or volunteer to direct our youth ministry and Christian education pro-

ried Elizabeth Wales in San Diego. It was a southern California day that you dream about. Bill officiated and the outdoor setting was beautiful in the patio of Casa del Prado in Balboa Park. The reception was on the naval base. Our family came from as far away as Hawaii, and also from Florida, New Jersey, Ohio, Illinois, and Michigan to celebrate with us. We went a few days early and saw Legoland, Sea World, and the Wild Animal Park with our daughter, son-in-law, and grandchildren. We

stayed on the beach and really enjoyed this special time. It was hard coming back to Dulce. We said goodbye to family and left the beautiful sunny weather to come back to snow and cold. It's been a very cold and snowy winter in Dulce. All the snow is great, but with the warming weather, we are now moving into mud season.

We never get tired of thanking those of you who send us Christmas and birthday cards and other notes just to let us know you care and are praying for us. The reason we

don't get tired of thanking you is because we don't get tired of hearing from you. Thanks for being part of the showers of blessing that the Lord rains down on us.

With Christian love,

Bill and Peg

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