



Mission of Love



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~ Kathleen Price*

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My name is Harry Yazzie Jr, and I have a family on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation of six. we all have been living in a two bedroom trailer house since 2002. Every year things have been falling apart from the floor giving out, leaking ceiling, wall caving in and the list goes on. I felt I have been a very unfortunate person my entire life. I have struggles financially, physically, emotionally, and became very depressed.

About four years ago, my good friend Rusty Puckett had introduces me to Kathleen Price, who is the founder of the Mission of Love. I have never heard of this mission of love before. At first I didn't care and had negative feelings about it. I was thinking what can they do for me so I felt sour about it.



I soon began to work with them and I seen a glow in everyone eyes as they worked together and how they were happy all the time and hugged one another. I soon didn't know how to react and secluded myself and I felt I didn't fit in. I was anti-social, kept my conversations short and brief and never made eye contact.

Rusty Pucket soon asked me if I asked Kathy Price for a house and I said no. He then told me you need to ask her and was angry and walked away. I felt so selfish because I wanted Rusty to ask for me. i soon braved up and seen Kathy Price. I felt scared, nervous, angry, and then hurt. I finally asked her. Kathy, I have a family, I live in tow bedroom house, no furnace, no running water, and I want to give my babies a better place to live.

Kathy looked at me with a smile, gave me a hug, a kiss on a cheek and said YES, I'll get you a home.

At this time I felt so weak, I wanted to cry, but held it in. I said thank you in a shaky voice, and took a break in my truck and cried till my eyes got swollen. I felt a heavy burden leave my body and felt their is hope after all.



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I know look at my life in a positive way. I now can walk in public with my head high, and now smile which I haven't done in so many years!

My heart is so overwhelmed with JOY and I owe all this to Kathy Price and the Mission of Love. I now work with the Mission of Love and this is the most wonderful organization I have ever worked with.

I have a house south of Kyle which I completed with the Mission of Love and know that my family and I won't freeze this winter ~ because Kathy Price made this all happen. I want to thank her, all of the Mission of Love workers and all the local people who helped me. Thank you Kathy, for not only getting me a home, but giving back my self-esteem. I guarantee you that you will see me along with Kathy Price and the Mission of Love helping other families.

Sincerely,

Harry Yazzie Jr.

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Pine Ridge Indian Reservation