



Missionary Dan Rautenberg and his wife Katie both serve on WELS' first world mission field on the Apache reservations in Arizona. Katie teaches 3rd grade at Peridot-Our Savior's Lutheran School, and Missionary Rautenberg serves as the Field Coordinator for WELS Native American missions. They are excited to see the progress God has given to the mission field, which has been reorganized and reinvigorated under the banner of Native Christians and is eager to reach out to other Native American Tribes. Missionary Rautenberg coordinates ministries and mentors the staff on the existing Apache mission field and oversees evangelism efforts with our Native missionaries in training.

Missionary Rautenberg previously served as a mission pastor at the Whiteriver Lutheran Church of the Open Bible on the Fort Apache Reservation for nine years, and then served as the Director of the Apache Christian Training School (ACTS) for five years, training Apache leaders for ministry. The entire family moved to the Caribbean Island of Grenada when Missionary Rautenberg accepted a call to serve Grace Lutheran Ministry, an independent congregation and school. They enjoyed serving there until Missionary Rautenberg was called back to the Native American mission field to serve as Field Coordinator.

Missionary Rautenberg and Katie currently live in Peridot, Ariz., on the San Carlos Apache Indian reservation. They have been blessed with four children. Emma is studying medicine at the University of Arizona, Allyana is studying elementary education at Martin Luther College, and Josiah and Samuel are students at Arizona Lutheran Academy.