

New Life Riders

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Dear Friends,

Spring is finally here! After the recent snowstorms, it is a pleasure to finally be able to get out in the sunshine and ride. Spring with flowers starting to bloom provides a special joy as we look forward to Easter when we will celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Easter, the longest observed and greatest annual festival on the Christian calendar, is held later this year. It will be observed on April 16. The dates for Easter vary and can fall on any Sunday between March 21 and April 25. It is observed on the first Sunday after the first full moon or after the spring equinox.

The dates are unimportant, what we are celebrating **is**, the Empty Tomb! Jesus died on the cross for your sins and mine in order to bring us into a right relationship with God. But the grave could not hold Him, **He is Risen!**

"I serve a risen savior, He's in the world today" is the first line of the hymn, <u>He Lives</u>, written in 1933 by A.H. Ackley. Because He lives, we need not fear death. Because He lives, we are not alone. Because He lives, He walks and rides beside us. Because He lives, He calls us to be His hands and feet in this world. Because He lives, He gives us opportunities to ride to help provide funds to feed, clothe and shelter those in need, to provide medical attention for those who are ill and to provide help for the oppressed and the abused. We can do all this because he gives us Resurrection Power!

In his letter to the Philippians, the Apostle Paul wrote, "That I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable unto His death." This verse has come to mind again and again this year as I have thought of many of my fellow bikers who have been walking/riding with the Lord and have been sharing in many forms of suffering; some through accidents, loss of jobs, and physical conditions and diseases like heart problems and cancer.

Praise God, because of the cross and the resurrection, we have a living hope! In 1 Peter 1:3-5, we read, "Blessed be the God and Father for our Lord Jesus Christ! By His great mercy He had given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time." One of the translations says, "Reserved in heaven for you."

When we bikers plan trips to Daytona, Sturgis or Americade, we make it a point to get our **reservations** in early! Get ready for the most important "ride" of your life! If you have not invited Jesus into your heart and life, this would be a perfect time to do it.

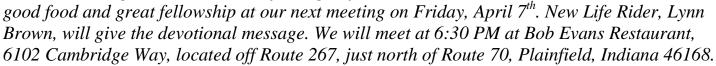
On April 22, New Life Rider, Ron Moore who is a singer and composer, will be performing, plus Karoake with the children, from 6:00 to 9:00 PM in the banquet room at the

Peking China Buffet, 397 Plainfield Commons Drive, Plainfield, Indiana. As usual, Lynn Qiu will be setting up her Hot Chocolate Shop in the banquet room for this event.

We update the website <u>www.newliferiders.com</u> frequently. Please keep checking for biking events and activities that you can attend and let your light shine for Jesus. Remember, if because of time or distance, you are unable to attend the listed activities, and you know of one closer to your home, go there and share the love of Jesus. Be a blessing. Don't miss any opportunity to make an impact on the world. May you be blessed as you ride, work and live for Him!

The New Life Riders ride with the two-fold purpose of enjoying the wind in our faces and, more importantly, serving God and the Community. You don't have to join or belong to any particular organization to be part of our ministry.

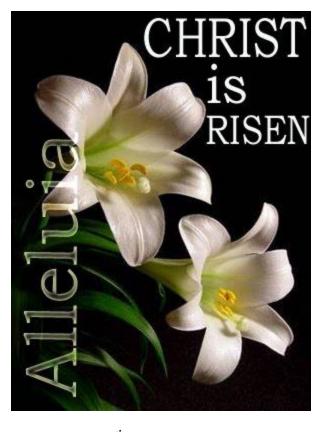
I want you and your family to know that all are welcome as we gather. Think about joining us for



As always, I look forward to seeing you down the road!

Until next time...My wife, Kathy, and I wish you a blessed Easter.

God bless Riding with Jesus, Bob Dillon



Jesus said, "Go into the world. Go everywhere and announce the Message of God's good news to one and all." Mark 16:15 (The Message)