

## New Life Riders

Motorcyclists Serving God and Community
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Dear Friends,

I want to express my appreciation to all of you for the love and concern you have extended to Kathy and me during my surgery and as I recover. Your cards, phone calls, visits and, most of all, you prayers have been such a comfort and blessing to us.

I drove our car for the first time last week and I am looking forward to being back on Gideon very soon. Meanwhile, until my back is healed, Kathy and I will attend some of the upcoming events on four wheels.

Thinking about getting Gideon back on the road, I was reminded of a little trip I took to our local Harley dealer some time ago to obtain a couple of reflectors in the parts department. Now my small purchase of eleven dollars was certainly not going to contribute to their rapid retirement, yet the staff treated me with the same courtesy as if I had purchased one of the brand new bikes sitting on the floor.

Taking the two reflectors home, I did the unthinkable! I put them on the forks of Gideon, our 2003 Honda Valkyrie. I called Kathy into the garage to see them. "What do you think?" "Umm", she replied, "Reminds me of those verses in Corinthians about being reflectors of God's glory." After forty-nine years of marriage, I am still amazed by the way she thinks.

In 2 Cor. 3:17,18 we read, "Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into His likeness with ever increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit." (New International Version)

Imagine that! We are becoming reflectors of His glory! Notice it says we are being transformed. We are not totally there yet; not on this side of eternity. A few years ago, people were wearing pins that read "PBPGIFWMY". Please be patient, God isn't finished with me yet." I am reminded of the children's chorus, "He's still working on me."

As we follow Jesus, read His Word, worship and obey Him, we become more like Him with each passing day. We become shaped into His likeness. We are reflectors of His glory when we share our faith in Jesus, when we help a fellow biker in trouble by the side of the road, when we offer encouragement to a neighbor or co-worker in difficulty, when we attend a charity ride, when we exhibit patience when someone cuts in front of us on the highway, when we offer to help the host club to set-up and clean-up at a rally, bike show, swap meet, etc. The list goes on. When you look at the reflectors on your bike, think of ways you can let Jesus' love shine through you.

For information regarding upcoming events, please check the New Life Riders website <u>www.newliferiders.com</u> frequently for places where you can let your light shine for Jesus.

The New Life Riders look forward to seeing you at our next dinner meeting on Friday, June 5th at 6:30 P.M. at Bob Evans Restaurant, 25 South High School Road (located at the corner of High School Road and US 36, Indianapolis. We ride with the purpose of serving God and the Community. You don't have to join or belong to any particular organization to be part of our group. Please feel especially invited to come out and fellowship with us. We want you and your family to know that everyone is welcome.

Please note: The meeting on July 3<sup>rd</sup> has been cancelled because several of our members will be traveling.

Go forward my friends remembering the words of Jesus in Matthew 5:16 "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven." (King James Version)

God bless Riding with Jesus, Bob Dillon

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16 (NIV)