

New Life Riders

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Dear Friends,

This is the time of year when the biking community, which is so giving all year long, enjoys those special rides to help needy families and provide toys for children. Over the years, I have been blessed to participate in these rides. I fondly remember the rides sponsored by Lehigh Valley ABATE to the Volunteers of America

Children's Center when Kathy and I lived in Pennsylvania.

Since relocating here in 1999, we have had the opportunity to attend innumerable rides for the needy. Also whenever Kathy and I have appointments or are running errands on Gideon Two, we like to take a hundred mile or so "scenic detour" on the way home. Yes, I know it is November, and some may think it's too cold to ride, but I'm thankful that we live in a beautiful state that goes through the four seasons. I appreciate the colorful leaves, the steel blue sky and the frosty mornings that make riding a pleasure.

I don't know about you, but I am excited about the way our New Life Riders Ministry and our individual members are witnessing for the Lord. I



have been encouraged by the emails and letters I have received from members telling me that they are happy to see the ministry moving forward.

It's funny how things pop into ones head. Here I am telling you what I appreciate and then I think how people like to know that they are appreciated. I want you to know that I am grateful for each of you and the work you do for the Lord and the New Life Riders Ministry. I am happy that several of you have volunteered to give the devotional messages at our monthly meetings. In September, Bob Johnson talked on the twists and turns of life relating the message to his fantastic nineteen state motorcycle trip. Last month Lynn Brown spoke about the Good Shepherd. Her research on the characteristics of sheep was wonderful. Each one of us learned something new. We are looking forward to Ron Moore's devotional message on the "Burning Bush" this month.

Just imagine how God must feel when we take His goodness for granted. His unfathomable love shines through His creation and through His provision of salvation for us through the death of His Son, Jesus Christ. How He must yearn to hear our praise and gratitude! When we think of all His blessings, we are overwhelmed. A thank you "note" could not contain all we want to tell Him.

The Apostle Paul sent a thank you to the Christians in Philippi. They had supported him financially on his missionary journey. (Philippians 4:15). He wanted to show his appreciation, but his letter did more. He told the people specifically how their gift had helped. They had met Paul's necessities and their gifts had borne spiritual fruit. Thank you notes work both ways. They help the sender express his appreciation, and they help the recipient know what he has done to assist.

Although we should be grateful every day, in November we particularly want to thank God for all His blessings to us and for sending Jesus to die for us. Remember, like Paul, we all should demonstrate an "attitude of gratitude" to all whom we meet.

We also need to express our appreciation for our military who are serving around the world, for our veterans and for those who have given the ultimate sacrifice.

Grenville Kleiser, inspirational writer and professor at Yale Divinity School wrote:

Father, we thank Thee: for peace within our land, For plenty from Thy bounteous hand, For means to give to those in need, For grace to help in thought and deed, For faith to walk our hands in Thine, For truth to know thy law divine, For strength to work with voice and pen, For love to serve our fellow men, For light the goal ahead to see, For life to use alone for Thee, Father we thank Thee.



May we always live with thankful hearts! The world is watching us. We may be the only Bible some people will ever read! Introducing others to Jesus is our primary task.

And above all, if you have not invited Jesus into your heart and life, today would be the perfect time to do so. He will transform your life and give you inner peace. "If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved." <u>Romans 10:9-10</u>

We update the New Life Riders website <u>www.newliferiders.com</u> frequently. Check it for rides and activities where you can go and share the love of Jesus.

Please remember that our own Ron Moore (Bloodline Recordings) will be performing with his friends Alex and Marie on November 11 from 6:00 to 9:00 PM at the Fu Yuan Restaurant, 2535 East Main Street, Plainfield, Indiana (Next to the Burlington Coat Factory).

It's amazing the number of great people in my life that I would never have ever met if it weren't for motorcycles.

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.

We cordially invite you and your family to join us for good food and great fellowship at our next meeting on Friday, November 3rd at 6:30 PM at Bob Evans Restaurant, 6102 Cambridge Way, located off Route 267, just north of Route 70, Plainfield, Indiana 46168.

Kathy and I wish you a blessed Thanksgiving Season as we all rejoice in the Lord and joy in the God of our salvation!

May you be blessed as you ride and witness for Jesus.

Until next time...

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)