



New Life Riders

Motorcyclists Serving God and Community

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Dear Friends,

This message comes with a prayer that you will feel God's Presence during the beautiful seasons of Advent and Christmas. May we ever be mindful of God's Gift to us, the Child in the manger who became our Savior, crucified, risen and coming again! "Thanks be to God for His indescribable Gift!"

Yes! It is the most wonderful time of year! We should be engaged in a daily expression of our gratitude to God for the blessings He has given us; for family, home, the freedom we have in this great nation of ours, for work, health, friendship and the list goes on.

Perhaps you have been feeling the stress of this pandemic and the anxiety that has become so much a part of the Christmas rush. If this sounds like you, do yourself a favor; step back and take time to contemplate the miracle of Christmas: The Word became flesh and dwelt among us! God came down to earth as a baby to become our Savior. We need to meditate upon that message. It will help us keep the right perspective regarding the season and keep focused on preparing our hearts for the coming of the Lord.

I was thinking about all the slogans we believers have used over the years to emphasize Christ's birth, "Whose birthday is it, anyway?" "Jesus is the reason for the Season," and "Put Christ back in Christmas" to name a few. Of course, He has always been in Christmas. It is only through commercialism and intensified schedules, and this is even true on the part of Christians, that we become harried and frustrated and lose sight of the real meaning of this Holy Season. Remember, as believers in Jesus, we don't have to "get into the Christmas spirit" because the Spirit of Christmas is already dwelling richly in us. (Colossians 3:16)

In the twenty years we have been meeting together; Yes, I said twenty years. Hard to believe, isn't it! During those years we have always had a Christmas Celebration/Gathering. However, this year we will not be celebrating together. I know this news is disappointing. I am surely disappointed by it. However, with the increasing number of COVID cases here in Indiana (three in the New Life Riders) and throughout our country, it is the right thing to do to ensure everyone's safety. Caring for your health and well-being has always been our priority.

Until we can all gather safely together again, please know this: you are loved, and our God is present and able to do abundantly more than we could ever ask or imagine. Know also that the mission of the New Life Riders still stands. Our collective efforts will continue to offer the hope of Jesus Christ to those in the motorcycling community. Also, please love and encourage one another.

Remember we are still blessed that we can feel connected through texts, telephone calls, zooming and the many ways that were not available to people twenty years ago.

We can take comfort in knowing that through it all, God is with us!

The greatest gift of all is free, Jesus is God's gift to you and me!

Kathy and I wish you a blessed Christmas, good health, much joy and that you stay virus free in the New Year.

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

Until next time, love Jesus, be thankful and keep on doing the good stuff...

*God bless
Riding with Jesus,
Bob Dillon
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God bless America

One last thought, I thought the dryer made my clothes shrink. Turns out it was the refrigerator!



***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)***