



New Life Riders

Motorcyclists Serving God and Community

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Dear Friends,

Can you believe the New Life Riders have been a TEAM for twenty years? That is hard for me to believe. That is a long time! Kathy and I, plus two other couples started the New Life Riders. We first met Bogdon and Elizabeth Golinski in the spring of 2001 at a local charity ride. We called Bogdon Bob. It was Bob and Elizabeth that came up with the name New Life Riders. The second couple was Ron and Linda Huffman. Kathy and I met Ron and Linda at Indy West Harley Davidson in Plainfield. My daughter Robin built our first NLR Website; Steve Pyatte has rebuilt it several times since then. God has truly given Steve the talent for creating beautiful websites. In October of 2001 Motorcyclists for Jesus Ministries recognized us as a TEAM and added us to their list of National TEAMS.

Unfortunately, Bob and Elizabeth moved out of the area before the New Life Riders began to grow. There were others, without mentioning a list of names, who touched our hearts and left an everlasting impression. They were very important to the TEAM. Several of them only left because the Lord called them home with Jesus. We were blessed by having them with us. They enriched our lives.

Sometimes people who are together for long stretches of time do not necessarily like each other. This was not the case with the New Life Riders. We were and are good friends who want to ride and enjoy having dinner together. The camaraderie that is shown is not fake. Our friendship has spanned 20 years.

The New Life Riders had monthly meetings from the time we started until March 2020. We stopped meeting due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. Kathy and I always enjoyed these meetings and the fellowship we have had with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Our experiences are beautiful memories of what Christ can accomplish through our lives when we allow Him to use us as His hands and feet.

Kathy and I are now faced with decisions about how we should get on with our lives, plus the welfare of our beloved TEAM. Truthfully, I feel as if Kathy and I are riding Gideon behind a very large box truck, on a narrow, winding road and we cannot see what's on the other side of the truck. I know it's important that we not get anxious, and that we have to stay calm. I also know Kathy and I are not alone. The Lord is in control and has us in His hands. I believe you know what I mean when I relate to this type of experience.

I can't thank you enough for all of the cards, letters, emails and phone calls of encouragement to Kathy and me. We all know change is not always good, but God uses it for

good! The Bible says in Romans 8:28 (NIV), "We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." Even though the destination isn't absolutely clear, we are trusting in God! However, we know trusting in God does not mean we will not experience difficulties. The Lord may not remove obstacles in our path, but He will help us overcome the roadblocks that we face in life. In Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV) it says: "Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."

Through the presence of Christ, we can move toward the future He gives to all of us. So please go forward my friends remembering the words of Jesus in Matthew 5:16 (KJV) "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

I have said it before, but it bears repeating, prayer is our power source. We need to talk to God about our family and friends throughout our day. Tell him how we would like to see these relationships grow in Him. It is also very important that we talk to him about what we are feeling. Read Ephesians 6:18 (NIV), "And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people."

Never stop sharing Jesus! There are many people who are hurting and without hope. Pray for our country, our troops, veterans, firefighters, law enforcement officers, first responders, all those in the medical field and everyone who is serving to keep us safe! Encourage others through telephone calls, texts, and by helping those who are in need.

May God smile upon your life so that the smile in your life reflects God's presence in it.

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

God bless.

Riding for Jesus

Bob Dillon

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God bless America.

We praise God that Jesus has gone to "prepare" a place for us and that He knows the way!

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)