

New Life Riders

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Dear Friends,

I pray that you will feel God's Presence during the beautiful seasons of Advent and Christmas. This is a special time to praise the Lord for the gift of His love that binds our hearts through every season of the year. It provides us the opportunity to stand together. This is a time to reflect on our homes and focus on family and loved ones.

Do you remember the movie The Wizard of Oz? There's a precious moment when Dorothy clicks the heels of her magic shoes and repeats "There's no place like home." That's the way Kathy and I feel. It is so wonderful to have family and friends around you during the beautiful Christmas season. However, it was very hard to leave our church family and the dear friends we left behind in Indiana when we moved back to Pennsylvania last year.

Unfortunately, not everyone is able to approach the season with warm cozy feelings. Some go through their darkest moments; they may be grieving the loss of loved ones, the anxiety of job issues or unemployment, problems in relationships which seem to intensify at this time of year, discouragement with present situations, and heartbreak from Christmases past, and even the memory of childhood disappointments.

Jesus came into a world that was facing problems very much like the ones you and I grapple with today. With so much chaos around us, there is need for hope in our world. Just when things seemed like they could not get any worse, our fears suddenly fade away and we rejoice because God sent His Son, Jesus. Galatians 4:4 says, "But when the time had fully come, God sent His Son, born of a woman, under the law, to redeem those under the law that we might receive full rights as sons." There is a direct connection that leads from the manger to the cross, where Christ has provided hope and new life for us by sacrificing his life.

We have the opportunity to bring the wonder of the Christmas Season to precious children and to families in need when we participate in toy runs, food distribution projects, etc. We can become the hands and feet of Jesus to them.

Never underestimate YOUR ability to make a difference in someone's life. We never know who might need your word of encouragement, your prayer, or your love ... especially during this Christmas season.

The Bible tells us that the angels sang out "fear not" because they were bringing good news. We, too, have the responsibility to share the good news that Bethlehem's Baby is also the personal Savior of all who invite Him into their hearts.

Enjoy the beauty of Christmas. Take time to view the beauty of God's creation and take heart in the promise of a happy ending that is actually a new beginning.

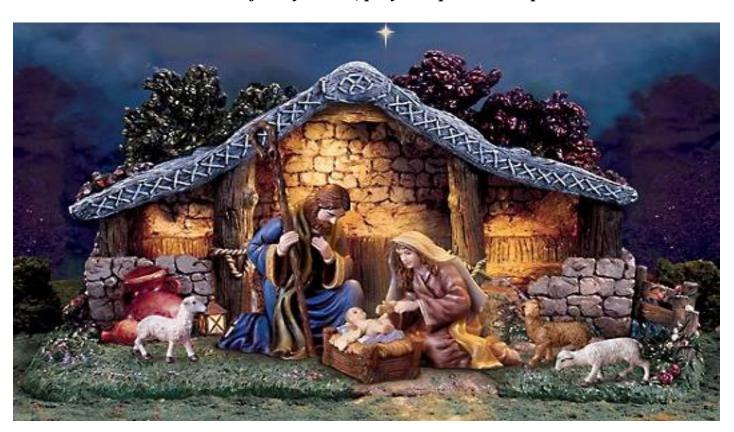
Kathy and I pray you will be abundantly blessed during this beautiful Christmas season and that you will have good health and safe riding in the New Year.

As always, I look forward to seeing you down the road. Love Jesus, be thankful and keep doing the good stuff.

God bless.
Riding with Jesus,
Bob Dillon
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Please watch for my emails, prayer requests and updates.



Therefore, the Lord Himself will give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call His name Immanuel. Isaiah 7:14 (KJV)

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)