

Do We Have Troubles ?

Paul Lattig's
Chaplain Corner



Life ebbs and swirls around us like a river at flood stage and we are sucked into the middle of this current against our will and despite our efforts to get to the bank.

Pulled this way and that, gasping for air as we seem to go deeper into the pool of mud and debris and wondering if there is any way out. We could give up all hope of ever surviving. It would seem as if we are at the mercy of the elements and there is no way of escape. Nothing seems to be able to counter all the chaos around us of broken lives, promises, and dreams and we cry out that we cannot stand anymore.

Time to switch channels and look elsewhere.

How about turning our attention towards those that we know are obviously in a place that is worse since we can see the ragged clothes, the hollow eyes, protruding bones, open sores, and other evidences of suffering of being in the middle of a real calamity or disaster, such as a flood, earthquake, epic storm, fire, drought or whatever else can happen when the elements are raging out of control. The technology of today makes it possible to view all this in real time and experience their anguish and agony.

Time to switch channels and look differently.

With any empathy or compassion that may be in our being, we feel a compulsion to try to minister to the needs and alleviate the suffering that we see. We also feel a relief and thankfulness that we are not in their place and our troubles are not as overwhelming as theirs. When what is perceived as overwhelming is compared to something larger, our awareness changes and the scale is recalibrated accordingly.

Time to switch channels and look through another's eyes.

The eyes of our God, Jehovah, sees "all" the misery that sin has caused to His creation called Earth and causes an angst that we as humans cannot even begin to relate to. YHWH suffers to such a great degree that we cannot, could not, and would not want to even try. We have not the ability or capability to understand eternity past or future, let alone try to comprehend the size and scope of what we know as this physical universe. So how could we even presume to know God's feelings about all of this.

Time to switch channels and look at the other side.

All is not lost as Jehovah's plan is unfolding and working out as He has ordained. His GRACE is all sufficient and encompassing and so we can rest in His Assurance and Care. His Book tells the story from beginning to end and we can experience great joy as we believe, trust, obey and tell others of this "Good News". We have NO troubles !!!!



We lift our family and friends to Our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Jim and Annetta Wood



Brett Hammill



Papa Ron and Anna Redondo





RIDE SAFE

I have often been asked by friends and other riders, “Which lane is the best lane on the freeway to ride in?” There is a simple answer; the one that presents the least hazards and the fewest threats. The one that presents the most options for movement, the most opportunity for escape routes, the most opportunity for rider visibility and the most complete view of traffic. There, that’s the simple answer. Making all of these determinations is done constantly and moment to moment when on the fly.

Another related question I often hear – “Where in the lane is the best position to ride?” Things to consider when choosing the best position in the lane are: optimal line of sight; safety cushion; best space to defend your lane from encroachment; not be in anyone’s blind spot; and ability to shift your position based on possible threats and changing traffic flow. Some people won’t travel in the center of a lane for fear of oil spills. Others won’t travel in the outer section of the lane because of ruts. Some don’t like the inside part of the lane because it’s too close to other vehicles. Each and every section of the lane should be considered equally when determining where you want to be at any given time. Circumstance is different and each time you take to the road you should run these choices through your mind constantly, and don’t be trapped by the “best position” question. These are “all” the best positions for any single given circumstance.

For both of these questions let me simply say – never minimize your options. The more options you are open to, the more opportunity for survival you have. RIDE SAFE!!



We have made a considerable change to our past and original name. We have decided on what we hope is a more inclusive name for our Chapter than "Southwest Washington". Due to our proximity to Oregon and our visits to that region, which are often, we have opted for a name that may be more encompassing and more inviting to members and potential members that live just across the Washington / Oregon border. We share a common border, that is, the beautiful Columbia River. Consequently we have chosen for our new

name "*Columbia River Chapter, Sabbath Keepers Motorcycle Ministry*". Please make a special note to use our new name when contacting or posting any information about this Chapter.

As many of you may have noticed already, we were also blessed with the additional membership of *Dennis Adams* this past November. He has proven to be a very valuable asset and friend in this ministry, and we really appreciate him. We had two new members join our ranks this past Sabbath (March 1) at our last SKMM meeting. I and our entire Chapter would like to extend a very special welcome and a hearty "Great to have you with us" to those new members.

Our first new member is, *Shannon Whitlock*. As many of you know Shannon is Paul Lattig’s new wife and an excellent addition to our ranks. Shannon is a past Vice President of another motorcycle ministry and also an avid rider. Shannon rides a great looking bike to boot ! WELCOME SHANNON !

Next *Jeff Chaplin* has transferred his membership from the Northwest Washington Chapter to ours. Again we are very happy to have Jeff with us. He is the founding President of the Northwest Washington Chapter and was very instrumental in that Chapters growth and development before handing it off to its current President Roy Hood. Another very hearty, WELCOME JEFF !

Lastly but certainly not least, we also welcomed a 4th new member. *Dawn Chaplin*. Dawn is a previous member of another motorcycle ministry and will be a valued member in our Chapter. Dawn is Jeff Chaplin's new wife for those of you unfamiliar with the Chaplin's. WELCOME DAWN !





Border Crossing

In 2013, The BC Chapter of SKMM extended an invitation to the Northwest chapters to be part of an event in which they were involved in. The Langley church was sponsoring Cheri Peters of True Step Ministries and her seminar on addiction and recovery. SKMM was allowed time for a short presentation to attendees during one segment. Chosen Vessel, a mixed quartet that has a couple of SKMM members, was also involved in the seminar that started on Friday evening and ended on Sunday morning.

January 24, 2014 was crossing day of several US citizens into a foreign country with another contingent following on the 25th. After finding the way to Lloyd and Betty Steinke's home on Friday evening, a time of fellowship was enjoyed by all. Relief was felt in that although the dialect was there, an understandable conversation could be had.

The next morning dawned cold, dark, and foggy outside with a warm glow within the walls of the house of motorcyclists as the day started with groans, greetings, breakfast, and conversation. Then it was off to the Langley SDA church for a full day of services, food, and seminars. All is well as the other group had made their way across the border also and a time of reunion was had.

Cheri Peters does a very good presentation using her own life and testimony as a springboard into the event. Most of us do not even know what the dark school of reality is about and have no room to complain about our inconveniences. Being thankful for the Grace of God and the working of the Holy Spirit in our lives should be our everlasting praise as life could be very different.

Part of the US expatriates headed south early due to commitments and were welcomed back on to home soil without problems and the remainder again headed to the Steinke retreat. Another evening well spent enjoying conversation over popcorn and smoothies.

The next morning came all too quickly and another great breakfast was provided and consumed and then time to pack up and say good bye until the next time together. Since the earlier group were allowed back in, it was anticipated that it would be a good crossing and so it was. Miles and hours later, all arrived home still basking in the warmth of our good friends and companions in Canada.



Chapter Meetings are on the first
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