

# Saddle Light

A Newsletter of Sabbath Keepers Motorcycle Ministry  
SW Washington Chapter

“For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.” II Cor. 4:6 NKJV

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## From the President

by Tom Infante

When Sandra, Robert and I left Friday morning the weather was a bit “iffy” but we had high hopes for a good ride. As we headed east on Highway 84 through the Columbia River gorge our hopes of a dry ride were quashed but, as is necessary when riding in the Pacific NW, we were prepared and stopped early to don our rain gear. It rained for about an hour but really wasn’t too bad. Several riders we passed on the side of the road waited a bit too long to cover up and were getting pretty soggy. All in the day of a scooter bum I guess.

As usual, chaplain Paul Lattig was the first to arrive at the Hell’s Canyon Rally and set up our Sabbath Keepers booth. It was located with other vendors in the parking lot where the rally registration and all rides for the weekend run would leave from; a logical place for our first time at this event. Early in the afternoon we arrived at Baker City, and after some discussion decided to camp at the local SDA church grounds with the rest of our chapter rather than at the local high school ball field. It was a good choice except for one small problem. The wind where we had to pitch our tent was EXTREME. On more than one occasion it nearly turned our tent into a weather balloon taking off for parts unknown but large chunks of firewood inside the tent anchored it somewhat.

The Baker City SDA church had previously asked if we would do the entire Sabbath service and we agreed. I think for my first complete service (2<sup>nd</sup> for the chapter) it went pretty well. We had a lot of positive feedback from the members and a very warm reception at the outstanding lunch they provided. One of the church members gave us an entire case of health literature paperbacks to use in our booth. Paul and Sandra stayed with the booth during the service and met several people as they registered for the weekend’s events. One couple we met at church, George and Jeanne Peacock, led some of us on an afternoon ride around the beautiful local scenery.

The Hell’s Canyon Rally is divided into 2 main areas. The first is the registration area mentioned above. The second is the downtown historical area of Baker City where many more vendors, including food, clothing, etc. are located, and where the attendees spend their time when hanging out after the day’s activities. Our location at the entry site was good and we met many people there, however we plan to go for a downtown location if we participate next year in hopes of better exposure to all attendees. This will allow us to determine what works best. The people who put on the rally are really great and enthusiastic about our participation.

All in all for our first time at the Hell’s Canyon Rally it was at worst, a learning experience and at best and most importantly, at opportunity to meet new friends and spread the gospel of Jesus Christ.



### What’s in an emblem?

This emblem will be seen by many on the vests of dedicated Christians who believe in the Adventist message. It will invoke questions as to “Who are you?” and “What do the three angels represent?” It will remind the world that God has lovingly given to mankind a day of fellowship and rest, and help bring out the cry ... “Then I saw another angel flying in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach to those who dwell on the earth --- to every nation, tribe, tongue, and people --- saying with a loud voice, “Fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His judgment has come; and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and springs of water.”

## Chaplain's Corner

by Paul Lattig

### In God's Name

What is in a name? Today and in our culture, there is really nothing significant about the name that we are given. It is chosen because it is “cute”, a family tradition, “sounds nice”, a media presence, or any other insignificant reason. Around the world, though, many cultures and families name their children with forethought and by specific characteristics of the child.

Have you ever pondered (old word) on the name of GOD? There are many different names of “I AM” that are given in the Bible and each has a significance within the context of the passage describing GOD in an ever expanding understanding of His presence within creation. Take time to do some study on the names of Elohim, Adonai, Jehovah, El, El-Shaddai and the myriad of other names GOD is referred to in the original languages of the Bible.

There is a name that we have all taken and that is Christian. We take that name when we are converted to being a follower of GOD and become part of His adopted family. It is a name that we have been purchased with by the sacrifice of Christ as the Lamb of God for the penalty of sin, and a name that we should never take lightly. Being redeemed by the Creator for his purpose should give us a great amount of gratitude and the desire to share that with all we come in contact with.

Bear the name “Christian” proudly and yet be humble in the sight of GOD and toward mankind. Do all we can to “rename” others so they can be part of GOD's family also. Live and do all “in God's name” and for His sake and glory.

### *Statement of Faith*

*Sabbath Keepers is a Christian motorcycle ministry committed to spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ with everyone we have the opportunity to come in contact with.*

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual SKMM Retreat

by Robert Hastings

I began my association with the Sabbath Keepers approximately 18 months ago and have attended several chapter meetings, rallies, and rides. Each of these events provide new experiences that are both educational and, at times, challenging. Out of all the activities scheduled for this summer the 2<sup>nd</sup> SKMM retreat at the end of July was one event I was looking forward to more than any other. As plans were being made for this year's retreat there was talk about canceling it for lack of interest but, thankfully, the decision was made to move forward in faith. This decision was rewarded with great riding weather, developing new friendships and spiritual refreshment that words cannot adequately explain.

More than a dozen bikers and family members attend the retreat this year which was held on the beautiful Milo Adventist Academy campus in Days Creek, OR. It is true each one who attended likes to ride motorcycles but more importantly they each have a desire to share the love of Jesus Christ with whoever they come in contact with. The academy staff was friendly and helpful, the meals were great and the accommodations reminded me of my time spent in a boarding academy in NW Arkansas (more on that topic later). Each day began and ended with a worship topic that reflected on God's protection or helped us think of ways we can more effectively bring the Gospel to those we meet each day.

There were wonderful rides to Bandon (on the Oregon coast), Crater Lake and Medford, where we attended church on Sabbath. Many of us took the opportunity to cool off in the river. The camaraderie and the new friendships that developed were priceless. It was really amazing to see how people who had never met before were able to bond together over the weekend which made it difficult to leave these new brothers and sisters, but the memories will be sufficient until we can all meet again. Plans are in the works for next year's retreat with a possible trip to Sturgis afterward.

## Scripture of the Month

*Submitted by James Turner*

“<sup>1</sup>Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup> through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.”

*Romans 5:1,2*

### Symptoms of Inner Peace by Saskia Davis

Watch for signs of peace. The hearts of a great many have already been exposed to it and it seems likely that we could find our society experiencing it in epidemic proportions, which then, of course, could pose a serious threat to what has up to now seemed a fairly stable condition of conflict in the world!

Some signs and symptoms of inner peace:

- 1) Tendency to think and act spontaneously rather than from fears based on past experiences.
- 2) An unmistakable ability to enjoy each moment.
- 3) Loss in interest in judging other people.
- 4) Loss in interest in judging self
- 5) Loss of interest in interpreting actions of others.
- 6) Loss of interest in conflict.
- 7) Loss of ability to worry. (This is a very serious symptom.)
- 8) Frequent, overwhelming episodes of appreciation.
- 9) Contented feelings of connectedness with others and nature.
- 10) Frequent attacks of smiling through the eyes from the heart
- 11) Increasing tendency to let things happen rather than to make them happen.
- 12) Increased susceptibility to love extended by others, as well as the uncontrollable urge to extend it.

WARNING: If you have all or even most of the above symptoms, please be advised that your condition of PEACE may be so far advanced as to not be curable! If you are exposed to anyone exhibiting several of these symptoms, remain exposed only at your own risk. This condition of PEACE is probably in its' infectious stage.

*From "Family Services of King County"  
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## Safety Corner

*By Tom Infante*

Rainy season is coming, or did it actually ever leave. Anyway, just a couple tidbits:

- 1) If you have a windshield on your bike don't wipe the rain off with a rag or a paper towel; it will scratch the dickens out of it. Instead, spray it with Pledge or a like product (spray wax) and then wipe it with a soft cloth. No scratches. Actually you should use this year around to prevent windshield scratches, also on face shields.
- 2) If you don't have waterproof boots, bring a couple bread bags. If it rains pull your boots off and cover your feet and socks with the bread bags. Dry feet. (Don't forget to put the boots back on.)
- 3) Remember that when you put your feet down at stops it's likely to be slippery. Don't nonchalantly put your feet down, plant them well.
- 4) Watch for a bluish, greenish, yellowish sheen on the pavement, BEWARE. It could be diesel which, once you're on it, is worse than black ice. It can definitely send you down so please be on the lookout.
- 5) Remember, the worst day on a motorcycle is better than the best day at work!!!

Be alert and always know what's happening around you. **Most important is PRAYER. Don't leave home without it.**

**Calendar of Events:**

- Sept. 25      *Lacey SDA Church @ Lacey, WA. (conducting worship service)*
- Sept. 26      *Oyster Run @ Anacortes, WA. \* (w/BC Chapter)*
- Oct. 9         *SW WA Chapter Meeting @ Infante Home*
- Nov. 13       *SW WA Chapter Meeting @ Infante Home*
- Nov. 27       *True Apostles Toy Run @ Vancouver, WA. (benefiting the Salvation Army)*
- Dec. 4         *Abate of Oregon Toy Run @ Portland, OR. (benefiting Shriner's Children's Hospital)*
- Dec. 11       *SW WA Chapter Meeting @ Infante Home*

*Church visitations TBA as scheduled.*

\* = SKMM booth at event

**Sabbath Keepers Motorcycle Ministry**  
**SW Washington Chapter Meetings**  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of month  
 2:30 pm  
 Infante Home  
 42804 NW 7<sup>th</sup> Ct. – Woodland, WA.  
**All Welcome**

Visitors - Please call ahead to confirm meeting date/location (possible changes due to event schedule)  
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*Hell's Canyon Rally – Baker City, OR.*



*Sabbath afternoon in the gorge*

