Saddle Light

The Newsletter of Sabbath Keepers Motorcycle Ministry

Columbia River 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." || Cor. 4:6 NKJV

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Thoughts from the fairing of our President, Tom Infante

So here we are again. It's June and the sun has been shining. (Well at least it's been shining when we're working.) Seems the weather saves the rain for the weekends. Nonetheless, it's warm. We have attended a few different churches this past winter/spring and have done Sabbath services for a couple of them. We have been on runs and visitations and we did it rain or shine, AND I for one have enjoyed all of it!

We have met new friends and met up with some old friends. We've seen allot of Adventists in the places we have gone. On one Sabbath we saw many Adventists visiting Mt. St. Helens as we were. We enjoyed their company and the country we rode through.

Some of us had the opportunity to go to Better Life TV's Camp Meeting at Milo AA. Those that did had an outstanding time and were welcomed by the station's owner/operator and staff. We have been asked to give testimony regarding some of the contacts we've made at the events we attend. I am looking forward to that opportunity!

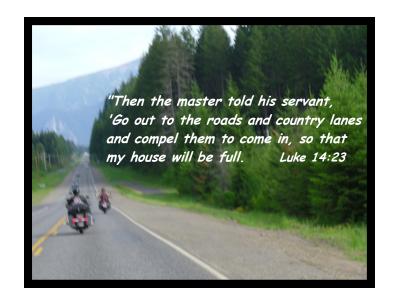
We have helped resurrect a Chapter having difficult times and continue to pray for their success in developing into an effective tool for our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We have not been dormant in our off season.

BUTTTTT It's now time to do what this ministry was designed to do — "GO" to the biker community and meet, share, give, PRAY and MINISTER. I am really looking forward to the events where we set up our booth! I pray that each of you are as pumped as I am to visit these places with the hope of meeting that one special divine appointment. You know, the one that just may plant the seed that flourishes; the one that grows and becomes a robust testimony to our Lord.

Every day we have the opportunity to witness but it seems at these events the opportunities are vastly multiplied. Soon the summer will be over and this year's big events will be history. I want to be able to look back at this year as our biggest and greatest accomplishment for our Savior.

Please everyone, PRAY and PRAY some more that we have more "divine appointments" and see our greatest opportunities ever to evangelize and share the love of our God with MANY, MANY people.

BE SAFE, LOVE, PRAY, TESTIFY, GO!





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 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."

Revelation 14: 6, 7



Paul Lattig's Chaplain Corner

SAM



A while ago I was involved in a discussion with an individual who is a Buddhist in belief and Jewish by heritage. For the sake of being pc, I am going to use the name of Sam for either Samantha or Samuel. Actually we have had many exchanges over the last months and it is always interesting to walk away wondering about the what, why and where this is all going. However, I digress from the topic of today.

This particular discussion concerned WORSHIP and the intent and practice of worship.

Worship for a lot of people involves going to a specific place at a specific time with others of the same belief and paying homage to God or some other entity that is of a religious significance. At this worship service, there is a accustomed order and traditional way of doing the "business of the day" after which all participants leave and go about living their lives until the next designated worship time.

Sounds pretty normal to me in this country of ours and even standard practice of many SDA members.

There are always those exceptions who are fanatic about their beliefs and of course carry out worship at a level that makes most people uncomfortable. Monasteries, convents, and similar places come to mind and the thought of a cultic commune arises also.

Sam's view of worship is to be thankful in all things from the moment of first awareness to the last moment of consciousness to "that power" that has provided ALL for us to either enjoy or test our faithfulness. A lot of what Sam has seen as Christian worship has been asking for God's favor in health and possessions. Sam is very acutely aware that there is more happening around us than we see and is open to being shown what is real and what is a distraction. There is a need to see evidence and proof as opposed to accepting by faith that which is unseen and spiritual in nature. Sam is thinking and reading about and discussing topics that have eternal consequences.

I would ask any and all to pray for Sam and the many others who are seekers and do not know it. Pray that they keep an open mind and heart until their quest is completed and they worship the Tried and True God who reigns supreme because his name is I AM as was revealed to Moses.

Pray, also, that we may be a help to and not hinder the work of GOD in the lives of all who cross our paths for that is our mission as members of Sabbath Keepers Motorcycle Ministry. Keep the good news alive and well in our very being so that we may share joyfully with others.

Psalm 9:1-2

I will give thanks to you, Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

I will be glad and rejoice in you; will sing the praises of your name, O Most High.



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

David & Pennie Hallstead





Papa Ron and Anna









Please also pray purposefully and passionately for the hearts of our children.



Safety Corner Quick Check

RIDE SAFE



I was bored a few days ago and cruising the net with our newly revived computer; second revival in three weeks, by the way. So a couple hundred bucks later and I think we have it back --- PRAY.

Anyway, due to the fact that I have a rather macabre side I thought I would check data pertaining to M/C fatalities. I admit the search was prompted by a news snippet I heard on the radio. The information stated that there have been 19 motorcycle fatalities so far this year in Oregon. That's outpacing last year's rate by two and a half fatalities. Last year Oregon had 33 motorcycle fatalities and in 2012 there were 51.

Yeah, I hear you, "that's Oregon." We live in Washington. OK, OK. I went to Washington's data and couldn't do a comparison on the data I found, but what I did discover was a website with allot of interesting data, so I'll share. Here is some stuff I'll bet you didn't know:

95.6% of the time it's the motorcycle operator that dies in a crash while only 4.6% of the time it is the passenger who dies. 53.3% of the time it's due to a multiple vehicle crash, while 44.7% are single vehicle crashes; meaning just the motorcycle. 46.3% of the time the motorcycle fatality occurs on a state highway; 28.7% on country roads; and 23.8% on city streets.

Some interesting mitigating factors in motorcycle fatalities:

Racing	.8%
Follow too close	1.3%
Skid, slide, swerve	1.6%
Ignore traffic signage	3.7%
Fail to yield	4.3%
Improper pass	5.6%
Speed	30.6%
No endorsement	31.9%
Alcohol/drugs	49.2%

Wondering why I'm giving this depressing data to you? I CARE ABOUT YOU, MY BROTHERS and SISTERS.

Please be careful when you ride • Ride like no one sees you and you want to be seen • Check out the data as I did, then find and look at the areas you are prone to error in (your weak spots) and fortify • Be hyper-vigilant • If you know you're prone to speed, watch it • If you are one who follows too close and you know it, back off • If you tend to pass because you're impatient, get patient. I'm sure you catchin' my drift, right?

Rest assured, I'm not casting aspersions. I'm as guilty, or guiltier, than any but let's all keep it safe and steady so we can live to ride tomorrow.

GOD SPEED

Mt. St. Helen's Memorial Ride - May 17, 2014



Turned out to be a great day for a ride!





Cedar Creek SDA Church Worship Service - May 31, 2014





Better Life TV Camp Meeting

On Friday, June 13, Sabbath Keepers Motorcycle Ministry rode into Milo Academy to attend the annual Camp Meeting sponsored by Better Life Television at Grants Pass, Oregon.

Sandra drove down with her mom and sister in the motor home, Paul used his Explorer, while Tom and Roy rode their trusty iron steeds. The timing worked out pretty close as everyone arrived within a span of ½ hour and got checked in and oriented for the weekend.

A short time later, a SKMM vest was spotted on someone else. An entirely new face in town was self-introduced as Brian Heiskary, the newly elected president of the Sparks/Reno Chapter, who had at the last moment decided to attend and put some miles on his new HD. We got to know more about him as the weekend progressed.

We also got reacquainted with Mike from the Grants Pass chapter as he is a volunteer with BLTV as part of the video crew as well as volunteering with several other church ministries.

The speaker for the weekend was Steve Cook, who had previously lived in the area and presented some timely messages on the theme of "Jesus is Calling" depicted by a graphic of a cell phone picture and accept or decline buttons.

The meals were filling, healthy and nobody went away hungry as there was abundance prepared.

Sabbath afternoon was spent on a trip to meet Bill, SKMM Grants Pass President, at his church and go over the past, present and future of that chapter. Bill and Mike are pledged to make this chapter active again.

Sunday morning was breakfast and then back home for all.







Chapter Meetings are on the first Saturday of each month at 2:30 pm at the Infante home, 42804 NW 7th Ct., Woodland, WA.

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Columbia River Chapter Events

July 10-13 Hells Canyon Rally, Baker City, OR

July 15-19 Oregon Conference Camp Meeting

Gladstone, OR

July 26 Church visitation and Sun & Surf Rally

Ocean Shores, WA

August 2 Columbia River Chapter Meeting

August 3 Amboy Run for the Unborn Child

August 10 Christ's Disciples Ride-In Bike Show

Kelso, WA

Aug. 22-24 NW Motorcycle Camp Meeting

Gladstone, OR

Sept. 27-28 Oyster Run, Anacortes, WA

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.

