

August 2012 TEAM VOICE

Motorcyclists for Jesus Ministries Inc.

Purpose:

The purpose of **MJM** is to guide the motorcyclist into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and give a positive direction by example on how to live one's life through the authority and power of God in Jesus Christ by the Holy Spirit.

Mission:

The primary mission of **MJM** is to lovingly share the gospel of Jesus Christ to a lost world, focusing primarily on the motorcycling community through secular and Christian events, worship services, helping hand activities, and other related motorcycling activities.

M.J.M. members are to seek out and assist fellow motorcyclists with his/her physical, personal and/or spiritual needs. To organize witnessing groups called **TEAMs (Telling Everyone About Messiah)**, and to establish fellowship within the local TEAM.

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Awesome God!!

Written by Linda Huffman

I was driving into Plainfield, Indiana this July 4th. It was 102 degrees out there so I was in my car with the air conditioning roaring. As usual when I am alone in the car, I am "making a joyful noise" and singing praises and talking to God. I had just said "more of you and less of me" when I saw this heavy set woman (I'm not against heavy set people. I am one) running down the road. (in 102 degree heat). Nope this isn't right so I made a U turn and went beside her and said "Get in, where do you need to go?" She told me just 3 warehouses up (about 1/4 mile). She thanked me and thanked me and I told her, "I wouldn't be able to live with myself if I had left her there." I dropped her off with friends at the warehouse.

I had finished my shopping and I looked and saw a dead car on the side road and the same woman standing behind the car. I said to myself, "She is ok she has a cell phone." Then out of the blue I hear, "Yes, but she doesn't have a drink." WHOOO! So of course I keep driving, turn into McDonalds and buy a large coke and take it back to her. I tell her, "I can't fix your car, but I can keep you from dying." I also told her, "For some reason God wanted me to take care of you today."

I am NOT telling you this tooting my own horn. I am telling you this to testify GOD STILL REIGNS! He still talks to us and guides us and is still working in our lives!!! I praise Him for each and every reminder and pray that I can ALWAYS reach for more of Him and less of me!! Praise God!

Love, Linda



Our National Spring Kickoff Weekend

We would like to take a little time and tell you about our wonderful Spring Kickoff.

We all had a great time even though we were short in numbers (36 people) because of illnesses or loved ones being in the hospital. Some came in on Saturday because of other obligations. Friday night we had Shawn McGavock in song, and Kathy Dillon brought a very good message. If you have never heard her speak, you have really missed it. Then on Saturday morning we heard Brother Tom Olson's testimony and Eric Gilbert with daughter, Erica, sang a few songs. Saturday night was Brother Al Abrams and he brought his band to sing and play for us. They were really great! Brother Al and Brother Olson each have Bikers Churches in Erlanger and LaGrange, Kentucky. It was very uplifting to know that they are reaching out to bikers and winning souls. They said it takes a little time but it does happen. Brother Jack Senior rode in on Saturday and brought the Sunday morning message. Each spoke on nearly the same thing: loving one another and reaching out to one another and telling how Jesus is #1. Jim Carter said he was so glad we got to be a part of the weekend and we were especially glad to meet the MJMers from Oklahoma. There was one little lady and her husband there that couldn't do anything but smile every time I looked at them. They say when someone smiles all the time they are filled with the Holy Spirit and there is no doubt that is true. We just had a very good time and thank all of you who came out for our Spring Kickoff of 2012.

Blessings in Jesus' Name!

Jim and JoAnn Carter

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"LION ATTACK" *by Larry Jones*

"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour." 1st Peter 5:8 nkjv

It has been said that a lion's roar will literally shake the ground and cause such fear that the creatures nearby will leave their secure hiding places, and flee out into the open, where he then devours them!

Renowned archer, Howard Hill, once had such an encounter, near his hunting camp in Africa. Alone, just a short way from camp, and armed only with a longbow (similar to that used by the legendary Robin Hood), Hill said the ground shook from the roar of the lion just before he charged. Hill's first arrow went into the lion's chest, the lion jumped into the air and broke the arrow off with his paw, roaring again. The second arrow hit the lion in the side, and it leaped toward him. Hill said the third arrow went through the lion's left eye, as he jumped sideways to avoid the lion's body landing on top of him. Hill said he had no memory of how he made the third shot and gave full credit to GOD!!!

Now Howard Hill was a famous archer who had practiced shooting almost all of his life, the average hunter would have been devoured on the spot! Let us not be like the average Christian. Only praying and reading their bible the infrequent times that they go to church.

Practice pays off when the lion comes around, and make no mistake he will come around. Daily bible reading and prayer, going to church on a regular basis, these are the things that count in these perilous times we are living in. And remember, when you've given it your best shot, GOD will be there right on time to guide you to victory!



Reflections on 2012 National Kickoff and MJM

Written by George Partridge

The National Kickoff was a memorable trip for Jan and I. It was our first trip on the Harley Ultra-Classic that we had purchased to celebrate our 10th wedding anniversary (2008) and what a wonderful way to enjoy it! We were looking forward so much to the trip that we did a practice run to locate the Higher Ground Conference and Retreat Center in the weeks leading up to the Kickoff. We traveled from Nicholasville, Kentucky (south of Lexington), taking the backroads including Highway 127 and then exploring the roads along the Ohio River which included Hwy 56 and 156 in Indiana and Hwy 42 in Kentucky. The ride along the river was especially nice seeing the boats and feeling the cool breeze blowing off the water.

When we arrived it was wonderful seeing friends we have known over the years through MJM as well as making new ones. The accommodations could not have been nicer with everything so conveniently located (dinning room, lodging and meeting room). It was joy to hear the speakers, music and to be brought up to date on the MJM ministry, since we have been out of touch for several years due to family needs (my mother in Alabama).

The years 2011 – 2012 marked a transition in our lives as Jan and I move forward in a new direction with our future. My early years with MJM was when I was a faculty member at Penn State Harrisburg and Jan worked for Verizon Wireless in Pennsylvania. Between our demanding jobs and my mother's needs in Alabama, we have missed out on times to enjoy as a family as well as being actively involved in the MJM ministry. Today I am focusing on a new vocation (environmental stewardship work in the area of resource conservation and resource recovery), our home, and enjoying motorcycling again with Jan. I have found no greater joy in life than bringing together my marriage to Jan, one's faith and relationship with Jesus shared in a motorcycle ministry while experiencing the beautiful creation surrounding us as we travel down the road of life's journey.

As I look forward to the future with Jan, I reflect on the future of MJM and what it means to us. I have a special place in my heart for the MJM back patch design and how that symbolizes my personal faith journey. In future articles I will share why it is so special to me. I sense as we all have experienced some challenging and changing economic trends in recent years; these have paralleled new directions for MJM as we look toward the future. I am especially excited about the new Web Site on the Internet along with new brochures that we can use to share the MJM ministry with others. These resources are wonderful new tools as we move forward as a ministry.

In this newsletter article, I want to highlight the new Web Site which has a wonderful new user friendly format and is a valuable resource we can use to share MJM and Jesus with others. Bob Dillon as the MJM National Website Coordinator, has done a wonderful service to MJM getting it set up for us to all enjoy and take advantage of. The layout is friendly to the eye and easy to navigate with helpful links. If you have not explored it, I encourage you to do so! I especially like how quickly one can identify helpful menus to explore, particularly for someone visiting the site for the first time. It is wonderful we have made the newsletters available to everyone! As stated in the new brochure on MJM "We are a non-profit, democratic, member driven organization. We have no paid officers and own no property." The MJM web site truly reflects that spirit! The content is there for everyone to experience. I am pleased we present our "Back Patch" rather than "Colors" since our patch shares the Jesus we ride with and He welcomes all to share the journey in life with Him. I have captured each of the screens to highlight all the wonderful material that Bob has organized for us to enjoy and share with others:

- Prayer Requests

- **Our Mission Statement**
- **Photo Gallery (Where we can highlight MJM activities!)**
- **Upcoming Events**
- **Spoke-N-Word (Newsletters)**
- **Links**
- **Contacts**

Motorcyclists for Jesus Ministries

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16 (NIV)

Riding with Jesus

HOME EVENTS SPOKE-N-WORD LINKS CONTACT US

Enjoying the sport of motorcycling and desire to share God's love by assisting our fellow motorcyclists with their personal and spiritual needs

Prayer Requests Mission Statement Photo Gallery Upcoming Events Back Patch

We invite you to become a Christian and a motorcycle missionary. You must have time for God through personal, daily Bible study/reading and prayer.

Ethics Values Fairness

Motorcyclists for Jesus' main purpose is to lead and guide motorcyclists into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Browse our photo gallery and see how much we love Jesus and motorcycling. Putting these two passions together makes it even that much better.

Join us on one of the many events we support

We want you to feel especially invited to join with us, as our task remains unfinished. Come Ride with Us!

Pray and ride with us! [Do you need prayer?](#)

Let us tell you about Motorcyclists for Jesus Ministries! [Our mission](#)

Praise the Lord! [View photo gallery](#)

God is with us everywhere we go! [Learn more](#)

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To our MJM Family,

It was so good seeing all of you at the Kick-off. We were looking forward to being with friends; it was just like old times. We had a good time, enjoyed all the speakers and Eric and his daughter, Erica did a good job singing.

Higher Ground Conference and Retreat Center is a beautiful place, nice accommodations and delicious food. It was a lovely weekend. So glad we were able to be there.

*Look forward to seeing all of you again.
Forrest and Barbara Miller.*



"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NKJV)

A blurb from our Chairperson:

Please prayerfully consider those you would like to nominate to be on the Board of Directors

All nominations must be made in writing by any member, other than the nominee, to bring his or her name before the Board for consideration to be put before the general membership for a vote.

Nominations should be in the hands of the Chairperson of the Board of Directors no later than October 1.

It's also time to be thinking about who you would like to name as MJM couple or person for the Missionary of Year Award. Please state in writing why you feel this couple or person should be elected and send your nomination to the Chairperson of the Board of Directors no later than October 1. The Board of Directors will examine all nominations and make a selection during their Fall meeting. The award will be presented at the 2013 Spring Kick-Off.

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Seek First the Kingdom

Written by Jack Senior

Luke 10:40 - "But Martha was cumbered about much serving, and came to him, and said, Lord dost thou care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? Bid her therefore that she helps me."

In The Message it goes, "As they continued their travels, Jesus entered a village. Women by the name of Martha welcomed him and made him feel quite at home. She had a sister, Mary, who sat before the Master, hanging on to every word He said. But Martha was pulled away by all she had to do in the kitchen. Later, she stepped in, interrupting them. Master, don't you care that my sister has abandoned the kitchen to me? Tell her to lend me a hand.

The Master said, "Martha, dear Martha, you're fussing far too much and getting yourself worked up over nothing. One thing only is essential, and Mary has chosen it – It's the main course, and won't be taken from her."

Martha was not wrong in serving Jesus and His disciples. Serving is a good thing and should be a part of our ministry. What Martha did wrong and that brought correction from Jesus was her priorities. It was a great honor to have the Master in her home but Martha should have given this the same priority that Mary did. What we see is Martha was pulled away by much business and all she had to do. We could say much business and the affairs of this life.

Many times just like Martha we are occupied with things that keep us from hearing the voice of God. It's very easy to recognize and turn from things that are obviously sin, but even good things that we are involved in must be prioritized so that nothing takes the place of seeking first the Kingdom of God. Mary chose to take time with the Master and Glean from Him.

What are we busy with that amounts to nothing? What is pulling at you that is keeping you from really hearing the voice of God? What is it that really needs to be prioritized in our lives so that we can be effective in others? If Jesus cannot reach us because of our business and running in the fast lane, how can He mold us into His likeness? If He cannot reach us He cannot teach us. If He cannot teach us, then we cannot be what people in this world need to see and hear.

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Love and Blessings from the New Life Riders Team!

We want to thank you for all your prayers for us, particularly for our health and ministry, over the past few months. We praise God for His faithfulness! (Lamentations 3:22-23.)

We are thankful for our TEAM members who have heard God's call and have gone the second mile. New Life Rider, Jeff Leath, and his children, McKenzie and Payton, are doing well. The following article about Jeff and his ministry that reaches so many people, appeared people in the Hendricks County (Indiana) Flyer on June 30:

“Hendricks County is no stranger to growth, but a new kind of growth is what’s on the mind of Jeff Leath, owner and developer of the Nehemiah Ranch in Avon. In 2007, Leath sought to fulfill a calling from God to provide a facility where “torn down people” could rebuild their lives by escaping for a time from the trials and challenges of everyday life.”The vision came to me in 2007,” Leath said. I had been praying for the Lord to show me the things that I was put on this earth to do for Him. In the middle of the night, I woke up and started drawing a building. It was huge, I called it “the barn.””
The group is holding a garage sale and seed planting to help fund the project. The Board of Directors operates the ministry as a non-profit organization through the Hendricks County Community Foundation. Leath’s vision for the future of Nehemiah Ranch is focused on “purity” for God’s people and involves seven ministry ideas. He said the fundraiser will aid in paying for programming, pumpkin giveaways, hayrides and the operating budget for the year. In addition, people may plant a vine or seed at the ranch that can grow and produce pumpkins to be given away later in the year. Leath said they raised about 1,000 pumpkins last year. This will be the third year of giving pumpkins to visitors at the ranch. For more information, visit the website at www.nehemiah ranch.org.”

In autumn, when so many farms and nurseries charge large amounts for hayrides and pumpkins for one's children, Nehemiah Ranch provides a place where families can enjoy these things and feel the love of Jesus as well. We are thankful that Jeff listened to the Lord's still small voice, stepped out in faith, moved from his suburban home, bought the ranch and is ministering to our community and beyond.

Ron and Linda Huffman also listen for that still, small voice, that gentle nudge from God and are always willing to drop everything in order to serve others. Please continue to keep Ron and Linda in prayer for health for their granddaughter, Emily, and as Ron prepares to go for surgery on August 14.

Myrtle Collins is healing following her surgery and hospital stays. She and Walt are eager to be out on their trike. They are such a blessing to everyone they meet. Continued prayers for them are appreciated.

Bob's surgeries slowed us down a bit this spring. We are blessed to be riding Gideon again. We have had the opportunity to minister at biking events every weekend since the Kick-off. We have participated in rides for Sheltering Wings (women's center) and for a local child with cancer. Bob also opened the breast cancer and homeless veterans rides in prayer. It is a privilege to serve among all these secular groups.

Praise God, He renews our lives day by day! Lamentations reaches its pinnacle in the middle of this little Old Testament book (verses 3:21-23) and focuses on the goodness of God. “This I recall to my mind, therefore I have hope. It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, but because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is Thy faithfulness.” Because of His faithfulness, we are grounded in hope in the abiding nature of Almighty God!

With love in Jesus,
Kathy Dillon,
New Life Riders TEAM

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MJM AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Charles Personeus	8/01
Rachel Kavanaugh	8/01
Kerma Wardlaw	8/01
Ron Huffman	8/02
WC Santo Landerer	8/02
Barbara Carter	8/03
Perry Henderson	8/07
Lisa Topalis	8/07
Rosalie Parr	8/08
Shirley Kiper	8/11
Greg Walde	8/14
Carolyn Ticer	8/16
Warren Smith	8/18
Ruth Personeus	8/24
Tonya McDonald	8/25
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Tonya McDonald	8/25
Jonah Brown	8/27

MJM AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

Larry & Mary Jones	8/02
Shelley & Maxine Cobb	8/09
Robert & Sandra Smith	8/09
Griffith Glover	8/10
Kevin & Tracy Stamper	8/16
Walter & Myrtle Collins	8/17
Gary & Kathleen Cobb	8/22
Warren & Wilma Smith	8/23

MJM AUGUST YEARS OF SERVICE

Steven & Fiona Wehmeyer Modricker	2
Kevin & Tracy Stamper	3
Esther Medina	7
Fred Sr. & Anna Shafer	7
Stanley & Robin Stauffer	8
Griffith Glover	9
Charles & Vickie Daniels	23



*If your birthday or anniversary does not appear in the TEAM Voice, please contact Dave & Lisa Topalis at mjteamvoice@yahoo.com or call 812-972-9577. * NOTE: All newsletter articles should be sent by the 15th of the previous month.*

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New to the Goodies T-shirts!

Safety Green plus a POCKET on front of T-shirt! These may be worn by non-MJM members as well as members and were sold at the 2012 Spring Kickoff in West Harrison, Indiana. Sizes are from Small to 3X large and have MJM printed on the pocket. On the back it says Motorcyclists for Jesus Ministries 2012 Joy Rider Team and Board of Directors Spring Kickoff June 8, 9, & 10, 'Heaven Bound with the Throttle Down'. A sunrise with a dove and motorcycle couple heading out is printed near the bottom.

These T-shirts may be worn by anyone and cost only \$10.

Please see additional sale items on the Goody Page. Add \$4 for mailing for one shirt, \$5 for two shirts... NOTE: The black 20th Anniversary T-shirts are no longer available.

Order from MJM's National Goodies Administrator, Joan Philpott: Fax No. 502/834-0587, Telephone No. 502/834-7449 or mail your order to 1299 Van Dyke Mill Rd, Taylorsville, KY 40071.

MJM GOODIES :

Banners, vinyl, 3'x3'	\$25.00
Membership pin	4.00
Decal sticker 6"	3.00
" " 4"	2.00
Cap, white w/stamped logo	6.00
Embroidered Patches 10.5"	25.00
" " 3"	5.00
Leather Backpatch, 11"	45.00
Leather Cross on Bible 5"	10.00
" 'Jesus #1' 4.5"	10.00
" 'Jesus Loves Me' 2.5"	10.00
Motorcycle Flags, 5"x8"	10.00
Sweatshirts, Gray w/navy logo front & back Santee	17.00
Polo Shirt, collar, pocket on red & gray, Small front Logo, back large, Red, Hanes 50/50 S-XXXL	14.00
Blue, Delta 60/40 S-XXXL	14.00
Gray, Crystal, 50/50 S-XXXL	15.00
<u>Sale</u> * Long Sleeve T-Shirt, Red Small logo front, large back, Jerzees, 50/50 L-XL -XXL	13.00
<u>Sale</u> * T-Shirts, Black, small white front logo, large back, L-XL & XXL	9.00
T-Shirt, Gray, small Blue logo front, large back S-XXL	10.00
<u>Sale</u> *Men's GrayTank Top M-XL	8.50
<u>Sale</u> *Ladies V-Neck w/collar, Pink <u>JR</u> sizes Large only	8.50
Blue <u>JR</u> sizes L-XXL	8.50

The Badge Maker will make a badge for you! Your name, city, st, MJM across bottom and an MJM pin in corner. Blue with white lettering. Call 1-865/806-8471 or go to www.BadgeMaker2.com.

Literature for Membership use:

***Check availability & cost at time of order**

- *Let Me Tell You About MJM -Our purpose, mission, & TEAMS .**25@ NEW**
- * Bread of Life -KJV of Gospel of John Pocksize—3.5"X5" .**85 @**
- * Pocket size Gospel of John .**85@ NEW**
- * Christian Life New Testament with Master Outlines - NKJV 471 pgs. **4.00@**
- * God's Promises for Every Need -KJV verses for all problems - 335 pgs. **1.75@**
- * El Regalo Spanish Gospel of John -**1.00@**
- * Biblia Spanish Bible -Old & New Testament-- 181 pgs. **5.00@**

TRACTS:

- Take a Tip .**06@**
- Jesus Loves You .**06@**
- The Road to Freedom .**06@**

*** NOTE: Cost of Shipping must be added to all orders**

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