# **Local Chapter Happenings**

Our chapter had its first ride of the season on the 13<sup>th</sup>. With the snow melting rapidly, the opportunity presented itself and Richard organized a ride to take advantage of it. They made a trip to Springfield and around the area. A good time was had by all.

The State Officers Meeting was held and attended by all of your officers. Our state leaders brought us up to date on some revised rules for patches on our vests and jackets. Contact one of the officers, if you haven't heard the details.

For any of our ladies that hasn't heard yet, the State Ladies Retreat has been cancelled. It's not clear what the reason was, but that should be known later.

Meantime, check our chapter's Web page, especially the calendar. There have been lots on new information entered about lots of events, including other chapters meeting dates in Kentucky.

We will again be having a Passover service. This year, it will be on 19 April at 7 p.m. Eastern at the Saloma Baptist Church. Conducting the service will be the winner of the Jan. mileage award, Rabbi Vann Lantz.

#### Youth Movement/Fast Lane



Coming up is our Seasons of Refreshing and is something we all need from time to time, is to be refreshed. That takes me back to the first of the year to the Flame On event in Hatfield, AR. Even though each state has their own Seasons each year, the Flame On event is a Seasons of Refreshing for the youth. I know because it is the only one location that every YOUTH can attend. One of my biggest prayers for the youth is that every CMA youth from everywhere will be able to attend Flame On sometime before they reach 18 years old.

Again I would like to say thank you for everyone's prayers and support that you have given to the Youth Movement program in our chapter. Without the unity this chapter has in supporting this ministry, events like Flame On would not be possible. I know we do several other things throughout the year but this event has had the greatest spiritual impact on the youth.

So everyone stay the course and stay refreshed and look forward to a great year.

Youth Movement Leader, Tommy Watkins

# **Words From Our Road Captain**



On February 6,2011, my family and some of you witnessed with us the baptism of my younger brother and his family. What great joy it was for me and my family to be able to be there and support our family with this wonderful decision to move closer with Christ.

Christy and I would like to thank Keith, Tommy and Angie Watkins, and also Richard for coming. It really meant a lot to us to have you guys there.

Sitting in that church made me think God is so awesome to us all if we just receive it and go with it and trust that God knows his plan for us.

This weather has us a little down but soon the time will come for us to get our bikes out and polished and do some good riding along with good fellowship with some good friends. Be safe, believe and have some fun.

God Bless You All David



The winner of the January mileage award, Vann Lantz. Photo © 2011 by Bobby Barker, used by permission.

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## **Vision Riders Newsletter, February 2011**

#### From Our President



**Knocking Down the Weeds** 

We just returned from the annual State Officer's meeting. This is a meeting of all the chapter officers to review new information and to kind of plan for the upcoming ride season.

This year seemed to be a meeting in which chapters were seeking to become more involved with each other during the riding season. I did receive a sheet listing a large number of events that the chapters had submitted.

After looking it over, I can see several events that we can be a part of and to help support our fellow chapters. In addition to that, we are also planning several events this year. When you add in the events that the local secular clubs are planning, it already promises to be another busy riding season.

Last year we did participate in some other chapter events and while they may not have returned the favor, we should always be willing to step out and be proactive. As Shane or someone said at our last chapter meeting, someone has to go ahead and knock down the weeds for others to follow.

I am thankful every day that you guys are willing to stay on the leading edge of things. We led the way with our Youth Movement and now a couple of chapters are beginning to develop their youth. We have supported Fast Lane more than any other chapter and I think there will be more chapters getting involved in that program. We have had 3 Off Road events that promise to open up a whole new world of ministry opportunities. I was encouraged at the officer's meeting to see that 3 of our Eastern KY chapters had gotten involved in the indoor Moto X event down in London. That was a first for them. It is sponsored by Victory Motorsports who we are already familiar with from Ballance Moto X.

Let us continue to blaze the trail so to speak. May we continue to look for new and innovative ways to minister to the biking community. We have so much talent and gifts in this chapter and I pray that each and every one of you will use them to the best of your ability.

Richard Durham 2010 Chapter President



# **VP Thoughts**



As I was viewing the new video on our chapter's Web page, the thought came to me about all the different skills and talents we have in our chapter. I also wondered about how many have hidden skills and talents we don't know about. Are they hidden because the person that has them wants to hide them or maybe that person doesn't even know they have them. The Lord gave us all skills and talents to use. He tells us He wants us to use them to glorify Him and use them for His purpose.

Not everyone can write for publication or compose a song, as well as perform it in a way that it appeals to many. The Lord gave me some writing talents, so I made an effort to develop them so they could be used for His purpose. The Lord also gave Garrett his musical talents. He chose to use those talents to glorify his Lord and I am glad he did.

What about you? Some of us have other talents and skills that are not easily displayed in public. These talents and skills are no less important than the ones that can be, they just don't get as much attention. Some of you have stepped forward and are using those talents and skills for the Lord's purposes. Those of us in the chapter are grateful that you have. If you haven't come forward, please do. It doesn't matter if you think what you have is not as displayable as what others do, the Lord knows your heart and that you are using what He gave you to do what you are doing for His glory.

So, if you can do something that others can't and it can be helpful for the chapter, please let someone know. If it can't help here, it may be useful in your local church; don't hide it. If you are not sure if what you have is useful or if it really is a talent or skill, don't be afraid to ask. Your chapter officers are willing to help you determine that. That's one of the things we are here for. We can be discreet, if you are not a public, out in front type of person.

Harry

# **Upcoming Events**

Please review and make your plans in advance to avoid last minute inconveniences and expenses. Mark your calendar!

**Tuesday Evenings:** Study Sessions @ the Hayes' residence. Fellowship meal @ 6 and study session begins @ 7 Eastern time.

Fri. & Sat. 25, 26 Feb. 2011: Seasons of Refreshing in Cecilia, KY (same place as last year).

March 25, 26, 27: Spring Harley Drags.

Sun. April 3: RFS presentation at Saloma Baptist Church

Sat., April 16: Ladies "Spring Fling."

Sun., May 1: RFS presentation at Pleasant Ridge Baptist

Sat., May 7: Run for the Son!

**June 21 to 25:** CMA Eastern National Rally. See Web site for details and registration form. Make your reservations now!

Sep. 9 to 11: CMA KY State Rally @ Camp Nikao in E-town.

## **Vision Riders Newsletter, February 2011**

## Our Chaplain's Guidance



#### P and L's

In businesses, the P & L sheet is a must. Because businesses are there to make a profit, but too much profit can lead to higher taxes, thus more money is spent. Thus to offset the taxes, you need to have some L's (losses). Now these losses could be bonuses, equipment, salaries, etc. so that at the end of the year the net balance is close to zero, at least on paper anyway. In Jesus' world, the P & L's could stand for prayers and lives. While Jesus was on this Earth, He was constantly teaching His disciples, preparing them for the time when He must leave. One time Jesus was praying and when He ceased, His disciples asked Him to teach them how to pray as John (the Baptist) taught his disciples.

In Luke 11:2-4, He tells them, "When ye pray, say 'Our Father which art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth. Give us day by day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil."

Jesus goes on to say that on Earth even some of our closest and best friends will not be able to accommodate us all the time, but God can and will. He will be and is always available to hear our prayers and will readily open the door to each and everyone. Just as we are ready to do anything for our children, Jesus is willing and able to anything for us. Did He not give up His life so that our sins could be washed away? This leads us to the L's (our lives). Jesus says in verse 9, "Ask, and it shall be given to you, seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened to you." Therefore, if we just pray to God and ask of Him or seek Him with our problems or needs, He will always respond, and our lives will become richer and better than ever.

So through prayer, lives are affected, and you know what? Praise results in lives being healed or touched and the lost are able to see the work of Christ in us by way of our prayers which can become a light, even in the deepest darkness. God will prevail and our prayers will be answered.

Happy Valentines Day and each and everyone of you are in my prayers, even if I don't know you, God does.

With the love of Christ, your Chaplain, Mitch

#### **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

#### **February**

Tina Nesbitt: 2/14
Brian McVey: 2/17
Linda Hayes: 2/24

#### **Next Month**

Michael Lantz 3/1
Michah Watkins 3/3
David Harper 3/6
Donna Smith 3/20
Lisa Healy 3/27
Tommy & Chris Cundiff 3/25/06
Darrell & Donna Smith 3/28/80

# CMA Handbook Spotlight Representing CMA with Integrity

Listed below are several guidelines to provide a foundation for members in ministry. These procedures are in place to protect the integrity of our members and CMA. If you have any questions, please contact your State Coordinator.

- † Commit to one back patch.
- † Walk the Christian walk at all times, even when you are not wearing the CMA logo.
- † Women minister to women and men minister to men, or couples minister together.
- † Have modesty in apparel.
- † Use of tobacco or alcohol by a CMA member at any CMA meeting or designated ministry area is not permitted.
- † Keep tracts available for one-on-one witnessing.
- † Involve only CMA members in services (including prayer) at secular events (if possible).
- † Do not place the CMA logo on secular event fliers as a sponsor or promoter. The logo may *only* be used to announce that CMA will host a worship service or biker blessing.
- † Do not share booth space with another motorcycle ministry.
- † Do not use CMA to build recognition or support for another ministry.
- † Do not use questionable door prizes (i.e. tattoo, body piercing, bar certificates, etc.).

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