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What's Happening?

Not much happens in the cold month of February except for a few warm day rides for those of us that keep our machines ready for that rare occasion, when it arises. There were several events and you can read about or see pictures elsewhere in this issue.

Coming Up In March:

Our regular meeting is on the 3rd at the usual place, the bowling alley. Be there at 6 ET if you want to have a meal before the meeting and at 7, just for the meeting. We should have a report on the Bikers For Change meeting that was held in Frankfort at the end of February from those that attended.

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Here is one that was too late for last month's newsletter. This is Mitch passing a portion of the Polar Bear ride funds to the Green County folks to help feed the hungry.

Photo by Theresa



Here is a view of the State Officers Meeting.
Photo by Ron Mardis



Here are Rick and Ellen Steffy, retiring Regional Evangelist and our acting Area Representatives, Joey & Trisha Borders at the Bikers for Change meeting.

Photo by Theresa

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Here is our new Regional Evangelist, Peter Helgerson.
Photo by Thresa



Bikers For Change

Hello everybody. Not a whole lot going on this month except wind, rain, snow, sleet, cold weather, warm weather and some sunshine. I do believe we had it all. I has always been said that in Kentucky you never know what the weather will be, so hang around a bit and it will soon change. Sometimes the change is good and sometimes it is not, but we just have to grin and bear it and wait.

This brings us to the topic for this month. Gordon, Sue, Dave, Robin, Theresa and I attend the Seasons of Refreshing or rather, Bikers for Change, as it was called. It was stated that that it would be a revival. Now, usually when I go to a revival I expect music, prayers and a fire and brimstone pastor doing his best to save the lost souls that may have been there. But that was not what this was about. Yes there was the music and also the prayers and the pastor was none other than our good friend Rick Steffy, who by the way, was doing his last season, as he is stepping down. The emphasis was different. It was more on stressing the fact that we need to be revived, to strengthen our relationship with Jesus Christ.

John Ogden stated in a short presentation, that sometimes we do the right things not because God told us to but because it was the right thing to do. How can we do the right things if we do not have God within us. We can't. If we go to church on Sunday and praise and worship God then go out on Monday and do all the wrong things, what kind of message or image are we showing the ones that don't believe in God?

If this is the case, how effective of a witness can it be? Therefore, we need to desperately seek a closer relationship with God to empower us to be prepared to witness, whether it is at a bike rally or eating out, because you never know when that opportunity will come around and, when it does, it is not what we do but how God does it.

So how do we accomplish this? We do so by prayer. we pray, then we pray, then we pray, we study God's

word, then we pray some more. We need to challenge ourselves to be ready and prepared. Sometimes it is not what we say, but what we do and how we act that might change a person's life. So basically the revival starts with us. First we need to be revived and refreshed before a revival can begin. Secondly, we must pray. God will answer our prayers but only when He knows it is time. So pray unceasingly and never stop. The Bible states that if we just call out to Him and He will respond. One example of this, was the Great Revival in 1801. It began by the prayers of 7 young men, who got together every day and prayed for a revival. They prayed for 7 months until the revival began and by the end, thousands had turned their lives over to Jesus Christ. This occurred in Kentucky and in a barn!

So let us revive ourselves so that we can be more effective when witnessing to our lost brothers and sisters.

Your servant, Mitchell Collings



The above demonstrates what Mitch's article is about. This is our regional and state leaders praying for our new Regional Evangelist.

Photo by Theresa



Here is the race at Liberty.

Photo by Ron Mardis