



# Vision Riders



## March 2017 Newsletter

### Happenings

We had a few nice days to get some rides in. That is, for those that didn't put their bikes in storage. Don't worry, it won't be long now and we will all be out on the roads.

Your editor missed the March meeting due to health reasons but is improving fast. You just can't keep a cranky old man down for long.

Word is that there are new chapter members and they ride a trike! That makes two of them. Don't worry. We won't take over – yet.

### Coming Up

**March 7:** Commissioning service

**March 18:** Prayer Ride

**March 24, 25:** Bikers for change – in Frankfort

**April 1:** Teddy Bear Run (details pending)

For details or last minute changes, check our Web page: [www.visionriders.org](http://www.visionriders.org)

### VP Thoughts

#### Dry Bones?

By Dan Hayes

As we prepare for our commissioning service tomorrow, to prepare us for this year's riding season, I think of what was said at our annual officer training meeting this past Saturday. The theme of the meeting was Ezekiel 37:1-6 and the story of **dry bones**. Hearing the different takes on how this scripture applied to the different areas of CMA caused me to think about my own relationship with God. Am I a vibrant servant of God by using my motorcycle to bring glory to God or am I just an old bag of dry bones? Have I become spiritually bleached and just lying around useless? The great part of the scripture to me is that, even if I feel all I am is dry bones, God can put new muscle and new skin on these bones to where they will praise Him- if I will allow it!

Are we as a chapter only doing things that will bring glory to God or are we sometimes like those dry bones Ezekiel saw? My God is a mighty God and One that says His word won't return void. So, I need to be sharing His word or at least praying for those out there doing this motorcycle ministry.

We are all called to be ministers; that should be why we wear the CMA back patch!

One thing we must all decide is, are we living beings or dry bones as far as our relationship with God is concerned?

### March Mileage Winner



### Chaplin's Corner

Today we go to Acts chapter 20 verse 35:

"In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, **'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'**"

As we go to the different events throughout this year I would like us all to work hard in order to not be just another face in the crowd; it's so easy to sit on the side and not draw attention to ourselves but that's not our job. Our job is to be good stewards of the love that God has blessed us with in Jesus Christ.

We need to be God's blessing to those around us, we must be kind, considerate and outgoing because the people we are going to impact the most are the people that are least likely to approach us.

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Since we are going to be at these rides, races and events, we need to be actively sharing Christ's love with those around us. I know it's not always comfortable to talk to people we may not know but it is our responsibility to be in motion for Christ. We should be doing, acting and talking in such a way that we are inviting and approachable, in a way that shows people that we are Christlike. It's not just our words but our actions as well. There are so many ways that people can see what we are about. If we are just standing around in our vest, then we are merely advertising in a world that desperately needs action. The Scripture says "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Can you imagine what God has in store for you when you give away His love!

We, Vision Riders, are the blessing that God intends to use in a world that desperately needs blessed!

Always moving forward for Christ, Dave