



Vision Riders



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Local Chapter Happenings

The elections are over and here are the results:

President: Dan Hayes
 Vice President: Mitch Collings
 Secretary: Harry Mack
 Treasurer: Lisa Healy
 Chaplain: Tim Cooper
 Road Captain: Darrell Smith
 RFS Secretary: Randall Shofner

Don't forget our chapter Christmas party on December 3rd. Jamie is the coordinator for this event; so, if you have any questions, contact her. If you wish to participate in the "dirty Santa" game, bring along a wrapped gift of around a value of \$10. We will have the event at the same place as last year, Saloma Baptist Church at 6 p.m. Eastern.

Vann and Valarie are doing just fine in their new location. Vann has made contact with the local CMA chapter and they seized upon the opportunity by asking him to be the assistant Chaplain.

Chaplain's Corner

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From Someone Different

Editors note: This month's chaplain column is from someone that normally doesn't perform a chaplain's duties. His identity will remain known only to the editor and the current President. If you have any questions or comments, pass them to the editor and I will inform the author.

¹³ But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. (John 16, NIV)

With the words above, our Lord gives us assurance. He tells us that the third person of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit, will give us guidance to the truth and glorify the Son. He also tells us that the Spirit will glorify the Son by making known to you things of the Son. In a broader sense, the Spirit makes God's will known to us through what He wrote in the Bible, using the many physical writers that He did.

If you get into a situation where you need guidance, go straight to what the Spirit has provided to all of us, His word, the Bible. New believers and others that have difficulty with books and research may need help in finding the guidance they need. There are more mature Christians that can provide that help. You should take care when you ask for this help. Find someone you trust and ask them. To confirm what they advise you, ask them to show you in the Bible what they are advising. This will back up what you are being told.

One area where you should be careful is the context of what you are shown or read in the Bible. Many things, some of them contrary to what the Bible says, can be taken from just one verse when it is taken out of context, so read what comes before and after the verse used or referred to. Many people have been misled by those that take just one verse and use it for their particular purpose.

Finally, if you are in a situation where a Bible is not handy and there is no one else around to provide help, keep this in mind. Ask yourself: Will my decision glorify God? Is this something Jesus would tell me to do? How will my decision reflect on other Christians? If your decision is positive to the above questions and you have prayed about it, go with it. To back that up, when you have your first opportunity, check in the Bible to make sure what you decided is God's will. If you find out differently, repent and make changes to what the Lord tells you to do in His word.

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**CMA
Handbook Spotlight
CMA Vest Guidelines**

The CMA standard for vests states that the front of a CMA member's vest will include the CMA USA American flag on the upper left side of the vest (which places the stars closest to the heart and identifies the member's nation). The 3" CMA logo or CMA nametag with logo is to be placed on the upper right side of the vest. Nothing is to be placed above the American flag or the 3" CMA patch/nametag.

We ask that you commit to one back patch while serving as a member of CMA. When someone looks at the back of a member's vest, it should be easily distinguishable that the person is a CMA member. Please note that the following rockers are acceptable: name, CMA nationally appointed position, Ministry Team, and Ministry Team year. In placing these rockers on the vest, please ensure they are attached to the top and bottom of the CMA patch with no space in between. Do not include any territorial rockers (i.e. city, state, chapter, etc.) on the back of your vest.

Patches or pins that take you out of a neutral ministering position may not be worn on a vest with the CMA back patch or logo.

Anyone who practices by word or deed anything that would discredit the testimony of Jesus Christ or the ministry of CMA will be asked and expected to remove his or her CMA back patch. If a member is asked to remove or return their back patch, no reimbursement should be expected, nor given by CMA or its affiliates.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

November

Joe Jolly	11/8
Delores Mack	11/13
Zack Brown	11/16
Harry Mack	11/17
Phillip Benningfield	11/27
Herbie Goff	11/28
Shane Moore	11/28

Next Month

Hershal Fisher	12/19
Vann and Valerie Lantz	12/12
Tommy and Angie Watkins	12/31

Mileage Award

This month's mileage award went to Tommy Cundiff. Tommy missed the meeting, so there is no picture of him accepting the award.

New Option On A Bike



Have you ever been riding and felt the call of nature and couldn't find a restroom? Your problems may be answered. A Japanese toilet maker has developed a motorcycle that has a toilet for a seat and is powered by sewage. It also has a giant roll of toilet paper that is mounted on the back that flutters in the wind.

It sounds like you would want to have the traditional meal before a sponsored ride instead of after the ride. Just think of it; no more stops at the gas station if you are regular, if you get what I mean. Not only would you save time filling up but you also wouldn't have to stop to use the station's facilities.

This bike actually made a 600-mile ride across Japan. You purists wouldn't want one because it is actually a trike. The top speed is only 45 mph and the bike really runs on biogas that is stored in tanks on the back.

If you have to go—bad, I suggest you not hold it, at least not for this bike. Even though the seat is an actual toilet, it is not functional and the bike is not for sale nor was it designed for production. It was just a way for a Japanese toilet maker to advertise their products.

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From Our President



As you know Vann and Valerie Lantz have moved to Alabama. The last face-to-face conversation I had with them was when they brought back my trailer after using it to haul his Wing down to their new home.

We had the chance to just talk for a while and I asked Vann about his thoughts regarding our chapter and it's ministry. In his usual fashion, he decided to use a story or parable and here is what he told me.

In the Messianic Jewish tradition, dance plays a very important role in their heritage and in their worship. The usual mode of dance is everyone is in a circle facing inward during the dance. Of course there are procedures and steps during the dance that all are supposed to do in unison. And as in any group, there are those who are more experienced and there are those who are just beginning. There are also those that just don't have as good a sense of dance as others.

The problems begin when criticism of other's shortcomings begins. Perhaps they aren't dancing in step, or haven't learned the right moves or even don't have as good a sense of dance as others. But because the group is facing each other in a circle it becomes easy to notice other people's mistakes and to focus on them. Of course others also may be seeing mistakes you make that you don't realize. It is that focus that can cause problems within the dance group. His solution is to do the dance with everyone facing outward instead of inward.

That changes the focus on the dance participants to themselves and to things that are outside the dance group. He said that by doing this, the complaints about other dancers went away regarding how good a dancer someone else was.

He concluded his parable by saying that we should be more focused on reaching out and ministering to the world, which is what we are called to do.

Vann and Valerie will certainly be missed. He is a natural teacher and I know I certainly will miss his counsel.

I ask that each chapter member keep his story in mind and focus on the ministry of this chapter to the world outside and be supportive of each member of our chapter even if they don't dance as well as others.

Richard Durham
2011 Chapter President

Upcoming Events

Please review and make your plans in advance to avoid last minute inconveniences and expenses. For events and rides sponsored by other organizations, check our Web page. Most, if not all events are listed there.

Tuesday Evenings: Bible study @Keith and Jamie's home @ 7 pm Eastern. No pre-session meals this year.

Dec. 3: Chapter Christmas party @ 6 p.m. @ Saloma Baptist Church. Bring a gift for exchange.

Dec. 9, 10: Amazon gift-wrapping to raise funds. Check Web page for times and details.

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Words From Our Road Captain



The yearend is fast approaching. I just wanted to say it has been a good year. Thank each and every one of you for being patient while I learned to be a road captain. Last weekend there were two benefit runs. One was with the CMA chapter out of E-town and the other was in Bonneville for a little girl who had a 4-wheeler accident and had lost her leg. We went on the CMA's benefit ride. It was a little cold but still good weather to ride. Our ride started at noon and we went through Hodgenville and then went 31 East to Munfordville. From there, we went to Cub Run and from there on to Clarkson. That is where Christy and I had left the group to go to Bonneville to show support and donate what we collected at the meeting for the little girl whose name is Kadison Warren. When we had got there we met those who were there, made some donations and warmed up. We tried to wait on that group of riders to get back but as we stood outside it was getting colder and colder, so we left at 3:30 pm to head home. We had a safe ride home but very cold one also. When we finally got home we got a text message from Yogi Warren who is the father of Kadison, thanking us for coming and just being there for them. He told us that it meant so much to him and the family that we were there. He was so touched that even though we didn't know who they were, we still showed that we cared. He asked us to keep his number and let him know of any rides that we are having so that he may participate with us. He also shared that this was his first benefit ride he has ever participated in and had raised \$860.00. All together with the auctions and other donations from different groups all over, enough money was raised to get her prosthetic leg and pay the medical bills off. I would like to thank all who donated and those that went on the ride with us. Yogi was a nonbeliever who now believes. Praise God! May God bless you all and keep each and everyone of you safe.

Your R.C.
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