



# Vision Riders



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## Local Chapter Happenings

As the weather gets colder, the rides get fewer. The first ride of the month for our area was one in Bowling Green and there isn't any news about it. There are no other rides on our calendar, so it is up to each one to get a nice day and get out for some wind in the face.

The get together for most of us at Subway on Tuesday evenings has ended and has been replaced with our winter Bible study. It is at Dan and Linda's place at 7 Eastern. If you haven't been to one yet, show up and find out what it is about.

Meanwhile, probably before this issue goes to press, we will have our election for our 2014 officers. With our small group and some that don't wish to be an officer, it leaves only a few to post on the ballots. Please pray for those elected. They will need your prayers and the Lord's help in the upcoming year.

In December, we will be raising funds for the next year by working at Amazon to wrap gifts that people have ordered. For those of you that are new, beside any gifts by members, this is the only way we raise funds to operate our chapter. It sure beats trying to sell cookies or some other product that no one wants to our friends and neighbors. Check our calendar in December for the dates and times. Pre-registration is required, so do that in plenty of time by contacting the secretary.

We have a new member that we would like to extend a welcome to. He is Chris Benford. You probably won't see too much of Chris, except maybe on weekends. Chris is one of those folks that works nights, so he can't make too many meetings.

We had a few members that went on the Toys for Tots ride in E-town on the 24<sup>th</sup>. The report that I got was that it never got above 33 degrees. Tommy Watkins reports that there were around 500 bikes. Jason Kelsey, a new member went along. We hope Jason won't let a cold ride discourage him on future ones.

Our election went without any major problems and all of the officers remained the same with the exception of our Chaplin and Road Captain. Mitch Collings is our new Chaplin and Tommy Cundiff is going to find out what the responsibilities are for Road Captain real quick on our first ride of the year on New Year's Day.

Don't forget our meeting/Christmas party on Dec. 14 at the Campbellsville Baptist Church at 6 pm Eastern.

## Chaplin's Chat



Herbie Goff

We need to share with the bikers that do not know Christ as their Lord and Savior that the gospel is for all people everywhere. In Matt 16: 24 – 26, Jesus said: **If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it.**

This should remind us that we are the one's that makes a choice for or against the Lord. It seems simple to us, but many haven't heard this message yet. Let's proclaim the good news that Jesus saves, to those that are lost.

Let's remind those of what Jesus said: **"I am the way the truth and the life, and no man comes to the Father but by me."**

Jesus has a message for us too; it is the same as he gave to his disciples in Matt 28: 20, **"Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."**

Let's take advantage of every opportunity we have to proclaim the good news to those who are lost, that Jesus saves all people who are willing to accept Him on His terms.

May God bless each of you as you continue to serve Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Your Bro. in Christ,  
Herbie Goff  
Phil 4:13

**Road Captain's Report**



Here it is already (at the time this was written) the middle of November 2013. That means that it's only 10 days until Thanksgiving and just 37 days until (gasp) Christmas. But, let's not get ahead of ourselves and let's just take things as they come. When I was a kid, Thanksgiving meant turkey, dressing, and all the fixings that went along with it, plus the family get-togethers. As I grew up, I mean older, I was thankful for Jesus dying on the cross, but didn't actually realize what He went through until I watched the movie Passion of the Christ. When you really stop to think about the brutality of how Jesus was treated before He even saw the cross makes you see just how much He loved me to withstand it. I can't wait to thank Him in person.

**Birthdays and Anniversaries**

<b>November:</b>	Delores Mack	Nov. 13
	Zack Bowen	Nov. 16
	Harry Mack	Nov. 17
	Phillip Benningfield	Nov. 27
	Herbie Goff	Nov. 28
	Shane Moore	Nov. 28
<b>December:</b>	Dave Gerhardt	Dec. 4
	Tommy and Angie Watkins	Dec. 31

**The Wounded Seed**

**Matthew 13:20-21**

By Tommy Watkins

Many of us as Christians have started our walk of faith with great enthusiasm and interest, only to run into issues that offend us and cause deep hurts within our spirit. We feel rejection and hurt, and the natural thing for us to do is draw back within ourselves. This is, in fact, exactly what Satan would like for us to do. We must push forward and overcome our hurts so the Spirit of God can grow us. Verse 21 speaks of tribulation and persecution, and as a result, stumbling. When anything is wounded, there is a type of scar tissue that covers

it up. In the scar tissue, there comes a hardness, which serves as a protection. In the application of the seed, if the outer shell is hardened beyond its design, it is possible the seed cannot burst forth and bring forth a harvest.

If we become like a hardened seed because of hurts and do not produce the harvest by the Spirit of God, then like that seed, we will remain intact.

We must come to a place of brokenness so the Spirit of God can produce through us a great harvest. I believe God would challenge us to move beyond the tribulations and the persecutions that he may accomplish His full will in us. So, if the walk of faith started at an earlier age and now the seed has hardened, what can we do now to soften the shell to let the seed burst forth a produce a great harvest?



I went through trials and tribulations a few years back and I myself had developed a scar tissue. Many of you know or may remember what changed me. It was my young son Micah's faith in God. During his major chest surgery he kept the faith and stayed strong through it all. I noticed how calm Angie was during all of this, because she kept the faith. This was something I noticed and it helped me to burst through my hardened shell. The other thing that I noticed at that time was those CMA people that I had just started hanging around with. They showed me a love and compassion that I had forgotten about. They continually prayed for me and my family even before, during and after Micah's surgery and I wasn't even a member yet ;I really didn't even know some of them.

So keep the faith and always show God's love. Because you never know who may be watching. It could be someone very close to you or it could be someone you barely even know. In my case it was both.

So my advice is always do these: No.1 pray and No. 2 be a strong witness and share your testimony on how God changed your life.

Tommy Watkins

**Mileage Award**



The November mileage award went to your editor for 156.9 miles. That shows you that if you put your mileage on the sheet when others do not, eventually, you will get the award.

**New Members**



Here is our latest addition to our chapter, new members Jason and Tiffany Kelsey. If you look close enough, you can see a future biker between them. Welcome!

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