

CHRISTIAN RIDERS MINISTRY

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Beth's summer tour takes her 4650 miles in 30 days
- New Book Available!
- Prayers Requests!

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Christian Riders

SUMMER / FALL 2017

Summer Tour

Beth left North Carolina for her summer tour of nearly 4,700 miles on July 21. Her first week was incredibly busy and very blessed! Not only did she travel on the motorcycle pulling the dog trailer 1620 miles but she spoke in 3 churches, Blount Christian Church in Maryville TN Joshua House in Hazelwood MO and Journey Christian Church in Greeley CO. The Holy Spirit was strongly present and each was a very blessed visit. It was wonderful to visit with brothers and sisters in Christ, both new and old while encouraging and challenging the groups.

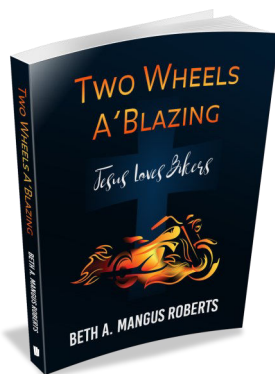
The next stop was the 350 mile trek to Sturgis, SD for the 77th Annual Sturgis Rally and Races. I was hosted, as usual, by Pastor John and Jill Tesnow at their

home. Which is always a blessing. The Rally was slower this year with only approx. 220,000 bikers. The weather was mild and it served to make people more laid back and receptive to conversations about Jesus Christ. Beth did street ministry and daily was able to talk to a variety of folks. One day she was even able to pray with 5 people! Lives impacted for Jesus is what it is all about. Most bikers do not come to the rallies thinking about spiritual things but that is what the ministries, especially Christian Riders, are there for. We exist to lead the bikers to a saving relationship with Jesus. Whether Beth shared in downtown Sturgis or in the surrounding areas, the Gospel was lifted up. As Jesus said in John 12:32. "And I, when I am lifted up

from the earth, will draw all people to myself." While Jesus said this to show the kind of death He was going to die, it is also true that when we lift up the cross of Christ to people, Jesus will draw them to Himself. It is not anything we say or do but the Holy Spirit using the Message to draw people to the Truth. Our world is a mess but we have the solution to the world's problems. If we would quit worrying and complaining and focus instead on making Jesus known to the world, we would experience a difference in our own quality of life and that of others. There is nothing better in the world than to see someone come to Jesus Christ and profess Him as Lord and Savior. Let us become focused on doing just that!

New Book! Two Wheels A' Blazing

Christian Riders Ministry (CRM) is excited to announce that Beth's first book, **Two Wheels A' Blazing** is now available. This is the story of DQ and Beth's first year of ministry.



Beginning with their ordination and continues through their first road trip, it is a story of two ordinary people ex-

hibiting extraordinary faith. "The first year was filled to overflowing with trials and hardships", Beth explains, "but God was making us into useful vessels for Himself. It was the way it had to be, if we were to be useful in

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Bikers for Babies

August 26 took Beth to Martinsville, VA for the 6th Annual "Bikers for Babies" Run. Patrick and Patsy Rusmisl, Jesus Christ Ambassadors Motorcycle Ministry along with New Life Community Church heads up this run each year to benefit the Pregnancy Care Center of Henry County. This year about 67 motorcycles raised \$7,000 for the Center. We had the privilege of hearing one of the ladies who went through the center testify about her newborn son and her new faith in

Jesus Christ. It was a great day filled with riding, fellowship, witnessing, and food.

The police-escorted run began by meeting in downtown Martinsville and then proceeded for about 100 miles with one stop. God was truly with us this year as two bikes were involved in separate incidents within the pack but minimal damage to bikes and non to riders. God is good!

The bikers that came were from the local area as well as

distance. They included solo riders and clubbers, Christian and non-Christian to make it a well attended event. The local newspaper carried an excellent article the following day.

We are proud of Patrick and Patsy and are blessed to have them in our sister ministry, the Ambassadors. It was evident a lot of work and planning went into this event to make it such a success. Let's keep shining for Jesus and standing up to help those in need.

There are also many hurting men and women there who need the freedom only Jesus can offer.

Run for the Wall & Rolling Thunder

"Run for the Wall" is an organization that stages a ride from California to Washington D.C. yearly to draw attention to Veterans' issues and to ride for those who cannot. Once in D.C., they take part in "Rolling Thunder": a ride/parade of approx. 800,000 bikes through D.C. on Memorial Day Sunday. Beth has taken part in Rolling Thunder for 5 year but this year also joined the "Run for the Wall" in Chattanooga, TN on the Tuesday before Memorial weekend. Being DQ was a Viet Nam era veteran, this run is close to her heart. There are also many hurting men and women there who need the freedom only Jesus can offer.

Some of the group stops included laying a wreath at a Confederate Cemetery in Chattanooga as well as the WWII Memorial in Forest, Va. There was also stops at two different elementary schools where the bikers taught the children about patriotism. The children blessed us with an

assemblies filled with songs and readings. The bikers also gave out beads, flag pins and other trinkets to the kids. Beth had Christian toys available for them and, of course, the two Shelties drew the kids over to her. Some of the older chil-



dren even entrusted us with things to take to The Wall in D.C. Needless to say, it was quite a touching time.

Unfortunately, Beth's bike decided to die 2 miles from the end of the run. She had to be towed into the local dealership for a quick fix of the fuel pump housing. They did get the bike fixed in time for the Sunday Rolling Thunder Ride in

downtown D.C.

Spring weather made this a challenging run as daily we dealt with heavy rains. Riding in pouring rain in a pack of 874 bikes is challenging for the most experienced of riders.

Add to the fact that Beth was also camping along the way made for less than ideal conditions. But all this served to draw our platoon or group of 25 riders closer and Beth was able to share Jesus with many in the group.

"Riding, eating, camping-- just doing life together for a week draws you together." Beth explains. "I believe we often win the opportunity to share with someone. Sometimes that is best done by caring enough to have a relationship. People will accept something from someone they know quicker than from a stranger. It's great when I have the time in ministry to work on relationships."



Partners Needed



2017 difficult. What can you do about this? Please begin to pray for us in this area. Some specifics are listed on the back page under Prayer Requests. Would God have you partner with us? No amount is too small or large. Ask your pastor or mission leader if CRM might be able to come to your church or group to share what God is doing in and through us. If you are part of a small group or Sunday school class,

ask if we can come share or if they would consider sponsoring CRM.

We have cut spending as much as possible but do not want to cut ministry. Beth is even camping to save money instead of using motels. She stays at churches and friends' houses whenever possible as well.

Christian Riders Ministry has always kept our eyes and focus on ministry and not fundraising. We will continue to do that. But we ask for your prayers that this gap be filled so we can continue to be in the field leading bikers to Jesus Christ.

CRM exists to bring people to Christ and to challenge Christians to be more receptive to all people. To do this takes a willing heart and the finances to do ministry. As of June 30, 2017 Christian Riders is only 66% funded. This has made

large. Ask your pastor or mission leader if CRM might be able to come to your church or group to share what God is doing in and through us. If you are part of a small group or Sunday school class,

Christian Riders is only 66% funded as of June 30, 2017. Would you help?

October Tour & Book Signing

Beth will be leaving North Carolina around October 12 to go south for a month. The tour will include Biketoberfest in Daytona Beach, FL as well as stops at several churches. (See www.christianriders.org/schedule for more info.) She has a few open dates available! Call 605-478-0230 or email Beth at ico24_7@yahoo.com for more info or to schedule a visit.

DQ Roberts Memorial Run

The weekend after Labor Day always finds us heading to Elizabeth City, NC for the Mid-Atlantic Christian University's (MACU) Annual DQ Roberts Memorial Run. This is a charity ride with the funds being used to award cross-culture mission student scholarships. The run is in its 6th year and all look forward to the event.

We have had as many as 22

go from Kernersville to Elizabeth City but this year it was only 2, Missy Renuart and Beth Roberts. It was decided to take the 5th wheel toy hauler and loaded motorcycles for the 5 hour drive. We got about 2 hours in before the brakes on the truck caught fire. Thankfully, they did not burn but we decided not to get the rig any further from home base. Not to be dissuaded, we arose at 5a.m. on Saturday and

Book continues.....

the great Kingdom work He had for us. Often, we only looked at the short term, but GOD was forming for the long haul."

The story will bless and encourage you in your walk with Christ. With chapters titled, "The Lady Can Ride", "Rebels

Without a Clue", and "Disaster Number Seven", you will find yourself laughing and crying. The Book is an easy read and written for all ages and walks of life. The reviews have been great and its been a long time in coming. Don't miss this op-

portunity to know more about Christian Riders while growing your own faith!

Signed copies can be obtained by mailing \$18.50 to Beth Roberts. PO Box 2179, Kernersville NC 27285. Electronic copies are available at www.amazon.com.



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Leading bikers to Christ & challenging Christians to be receptive of all people.

New Website

Our new website is up and running. It has many improved features . Check us out for information, scheduling, books, t-shirts, re-courses and much more.

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Prayer Requests

Funding

- Ask God to raise up Partners with CRM
- Ask God to open up doors for sharing CRM
- Ask God to touch hearts as we travel & share

Two Wheels A 'Blazing

- Pray for the book to sell and be successful.
- Pray that lives are changed for eternity through the book.
- Pray for Beth that God would guide her and inspire her on the next book.

Ongoing Prayers

- Open hearts & Minds
- That the lost will be found!

Memorial cont...

rode the bikes 4 hours to Elizabeth City. We arrived just in time for the Run and off we went. By Saturday's end, we had traveled about 500 miles on the bikes and drove the rig home as well. It was a blessed but a very long day.

The Event was excellent as always. We were fed breakfast then rode 50 miles to lunch. Door prizes were given away. The fellowship was super. After eating, another 50 miles was done to bring the run back to MACU. There were over 50 bikes with a police escort out of Elizabeth City.

It is weekends like this that stress the importance of CRM'S Prayer Warriors. It seems that more often than not, we face trials on the road meant to waylay us. GOD allows that we can see our way through and not miss events but our prayer warriors play an incredibly important role in this happening. "I think without our prayer warriors, we would be reduced to missed events and missed opportunities" Beth confides. Thanks you for your faithful prayers for us!