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'I urge you, first of all, to pray for all people. Ask God to help them; intercede on their behalf, and give thanks for them. Pray this way for kings and all who are in authority so that we can live peaceful and quiet lives marked by godliness and dignity'. 1 Timothy 2:1-2

I am writing this on August 1; two days before Larry's 22nd spiritual birthday. He gave his life to the Lord on August 3, 1998 during the Sturgis Bike Rally. We've celebrated this special day at the rally in years past, but we won't be doing that this year. After much thought and prayer, we have decided not to go to Sturgis this year. They are having the rally although some of the usual rally events have been cancelled. The mayor of Sturgis has also said changes could be made during the rally depending on the circumstances. My Motor Maid Convention in Rapid City, SD was cancelled; something that has not happened since World War II. The Arkansas prisons still won't allow volunteers to come in. As I told one of the prisoners we wrote to last week, I feel like we have been 'hijacked' by this virus. We realize there is a virus out there and are thankful that God has protected us from it, but we are more than ready for it to be gone!

Even though we couldn't go to any rallies or the prison, we have found ways to minister the last few months, so I'll bring you up to date. Larry had the honor of marrying Toni and Robert Eaves on May 30. We have known Toni and her family since Toni was in grade school which made being part of their wedding even more special. Toni and Rob are friends with Jimmy, a man that Larry met years ago when Jimmy was at Texarkana Work Release. Jimmy was recently diagnosed with cancer. He and his family were at the wedding so once everyone was gathered around the porch for the ceremony, Larry asked everyone to join him in prayer for Jimmy. After the ceremony and reception, they asked Larry and I to lead everyone on a short bike ride through Hope to celebrate.

We also lost two Christian brothers recently. Dwight Nevill, who we did business with at his shop, Dwight's Bikers Dream passed away on May 31. Larry attended his memorial service. After the service, Larry had the opportunity to talk to a young man whose father, Dave Austin did prison ministry with us. A few weeks ago, we got a call from Mark Wright's sister that he passed away on July 9. We wrote about Mark in our May newsletter. He had just been released after serving over twenty years in Federal prison. This was such a shock to us. We had talked to Mark on July 7. He was in a half-way house in the Dallas, TX area. He was so excited that he had a job and we know he was looking forward to being able to see his mom and the rest of his family in Alabama. His sister said they think he had a heart attack. We don't know when we will breathe our last breath which is why it is important to be saved.

Some of the prisons are still letting the men make free phone calls due to the virus. We talked to a young man serving life in Federal prison in Arizona a few weeks ago. We've also talked to David Brown who is serving time in Abilene, TX. Larry met David about the same time he met Mark Wright and we have stayed in touch over twenty years. We also had an email from a prisoner's mom recently. Her son asked her to tell us he was thinking about us and praying for us. This really touched me that he asked her to contact us. We know those in prison are having a tough time with not being able to see their family and other restrictions that are in place to try to keep them from getting the virus. We've heard from a couple men that the meals they are

-serving the last couple months leave something to be desired to put it mildly. Keep these men and women behind bars in your prayers, along with their families.

We got a couple letters recently that I would like to share with you. One from a prisoner we've know for at least fifteen years, Daniel. He was diagnosed with cancer several months ago and has kept us updated through the mail. Having been through chemotherapy treatment myself, I could encourage him and give him some tips that helped me. We also sent him a 'Cancer Be Gone in Jesus Name' book when he was first diagnosed. He was happy to tell us in his last letter that the tumor has shrunk to less than half the size it initially was. Prayers are being answered and the treatments are working praise God! Another prisoner, James wrote to tell us he gave his life to the Lord a few months ago. We've known James a long time too and were thrilled to hear this news. He has been having problems with his liver and may have cancer. We mailed him a 'Cancer Be Gone in Jesus Name' book and told him how happy we were that he is part of the family of God now.

A couple weekends ago, we rode to 3 States Harley-Davidson in Bossier City, LA for their 1st anniversary celebration. I visited with one of my Motor Maid sisters who was there and had the opportunity to give one of the 'Cancer Be Gone' books to a woman whose husband is recovering from a serious motorcycle accident. Like I told her, those healing Scriptures in that book are not just for cancer. She said she couldn't wait to sit down and read the book.

We are thankful for all of you who continue to support us with your prayers and finances. We don't know when Larry will be able to go back in the prison but pray it is soon. Normally about this time we start preparing for our Christmas Behind Bars outreach. All we can do right now is wait and see what happens in the prison system. We have never seen so much hate and unrest in our country as there is right now. We're trusting God to see us through whatever is ahead because His Word is true and He never fails! If you aren't already praying for our country and our leaders, please start now. It is going to be very important especially for people who profess to be believers to get out and vote in November for candidates with Biblical values. I was reminded this morning of a song by Matthew West, 'Do Something'. The song talks about the world being in trouble and asking God why don't you do something? God said, 'I did, I created you'. The lyrics go on to say, 'If not us, then who; if not me and you; right now, its time for us to do something'. Brothers and sister, it is time for us to do something!

Peace and Love,

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