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"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people he chose for his inheritance".
Psalm 33:12

Where does the time go? It doesn't seem like we should be sending out our July newsletter already. We hope you had a good 4th of July weekend. Our nation was founded on Godly principles. We should pray for our country but we as believers also need to start taking a stand for Biblical truth.

During May, Larry ministered at the prison in Malvern, AR four days and went to the work release center in Texarkana, AR three times. They moved the prison hospital to Malvern a few years ago and Larry usually checks on the men in the hospital when he is there. Recently he had the chance to minister to a man he met when we first started doing prison ministry. Randy has been in prison forty-seven years. He had a stroke and had lost some use of his arm but he is doing much better. Larry made it a point to check on Randy and encourage him each week. The first few times he prayed with him, Randy started to cry. On May 10, we rode to the Bossier Harley Davidson in Bossier City, LA for a vintage bike show. Larry's old bike didn't win a trophy but we had a chance to talk to several people while we were there. The following Saturday Hope celebrated Train Days so we took the penny punch and set up near the train depot. Larry punched cross pennies and we gave away several Hellfighter Bibles, tracts, pins and cross earrings. Several people stopped by to watch how the punch works. A couple young boys had a good time trying to catch the cross pennies as they came out of the machine. We thought this was a good opportunity to witness and let the community know about our ministry.

On Saturday, June 7 we rode to the Confederates rally in Fouke, AR. They had asked us to run the bike show and bike games. The weather was good but there were several other rallies the same day so they did not have the turn-out they expected. The local bloodmobile was there for a blood drive again this year and Larry gave blood. We set up our table with Hellfighter Bibles, tracts, cross pennies and cross pins. I talked to a couple ladies and they each took a Bible. A young man in an SUV pulled in and he and his son came to the table. The little boy couldn't have been more than four or five but he likes motorcycles and wanted his dad to stop so they did. He told me that he was a Christian. They go to church and read the Bible and pray every night before his son goes to bed. They took a few things from the table and went home. It was encouraging to talk to this young man. He brought up the fact that a lot of people know who Jesus is but we need a personal relationship with Jesus in order to have eternal life. Sometimes after the rallies we look back and wonder what impact, if any, we made. I guess we may never know the answer to that question until we get to heaven.

We went to the Swampriders 36th Annual Rally in Prescott, AR on Saturday June 21. We've been going to this rally since 1996. It was a sunny, hot day and they had a good turn-out. We put some Bibles, tracts and cross pennies in the clubhouse so people could help themselves to whatever they wanted. We walked around and had the chance to talk to several people. We see several friends at this rally that were members of the Hope ABATE Chapter when Larry was president. One thing we can agree on is that we are all getting older! Some have had health problems or are going through tough times. Some of them just want someone to listen to their troubles, a deaf ear so to speak. We can't solve their problems, but we can point them to the God

who is able to help no matter what they are going through.

On Saturday, June 28 we rode to the women's prison in Pine Bluff, AR for a day of ministry. Several of us met at the prison late that morning and got on the prison yard around 1:00. Robert Cannon and his ministry organized the outreach and fed everyone a barbeque chicken lunch later in the day. The staff told Robert they were short-handed and that while we were on the yard they wanted us on one side of the sidewalk and the women on the other side. This was what happened the first time we were at this unit, but since then they had been letting us interact more with the women. We had been able to give them tracts and Bibles and pray with them. Our friend Judith Hammock went with us along with Julia and Angie from the singing group J.O.Y. The women enjoyed listening to them sing and share a little about themselves. Other team members sang and shared testimonies. Larry told the women that we had celebrated our 39th wedding anniversary the day before. We made sure to tell them that without God, our marriage would not have survived. He also told them how God took away his kidney stones. While he was talking, it started to rain so they sent everyone to the gym. We continued to share with the women. The young man who preached on Friday night gave an altar call and eight women were saved. Later in the day a woman that lives in the same barracks with one of the new converts told us she had been praying for her for a long time. I'm sure I wasn't the only one that wondered what would happen when the rains came but God used it to reach those eight women. When the rain stopped we went back on the yard and did some bike games for the women. About the time we finished eating, a storm came up so we all went back to the gym for the evening service. The Gospel Outlaws played and Danny Knick brought the message. The staff is in control of how long we have for the service but before our time was up, the officer in charge interrupted the service and told the women it was time to go. I know the women were disappointed and many of them were looking forward to having someone pray with them. One of the women I had talked to back in March told me she will be going home this fall. She said she finally realized that it is up to her to make a change. Drugs, alcohol and other temptations will be around her wherever she goes but God has changed her heart and she is confident she can resist the temptations this time.

Larry spent four days at the Ouachita River Unit in Malvern in June. He also spent a day at the Tucker Unit in Tucker, AR and the Maximum Security Unit in Tucker, AR. When Larry first started doing prison ministry, he spent a couple days each month at the prisons in Tucker. At that time he was staying in Pine Bluff with our friend John Coons and Tucker was just a few miles down the road. It is three hundred miles round trip to Tucker from our house. We know a lot of men at both of these units and they are glad that he is spending some time with them again.

The next thing on our schedule will be bike week in Sturgis, SD. We are planning to leave on Friday, August 1st and will be out there for one week. Larry has spent several hours the last few days drilling holes in the crosses that we make the earrings from. Our supply is low and in the past we have taken as many as 1,000 pair to bike week and given them all away. I hope you know by now that we don't eat at expensive restaurants or stay at five star hotels when we travel. Larry would tell you he is the king of the .99 value menu at the fast food restaurants. We have been known to set up our Bunkhouse camper on a Wal-mart parking lot or at a rest area. Camping at Sturgis will cost \$150 for the week. Gas stations in that area will be raising their prices during the rally. September looks to be a busy month too with something scheduled every weekend as of right now. More opportunities for us to minister will mean more money going out for gas and travel expenses. We hope you will consider making a donation so we can continue to share the Gospel with the prisoners, the bikers and others we may meet in our travels. Whatever you can give will be a blessing to us and will help further the Kingdom.

Blessings,

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