

New Life Riders Chapter Meeting Minutes / August 5, 2021

SIGN-IN and WELCOME: Meeting sign-in sheet passed around along with prayer notebook and NLR birthday/anniversary cards. Welcome to first-time guest Gabriel Picciano and welcome back to Doug Waldron.

Dave opened the meeting in prayer at 6:50pm

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE: "Ever feel overwhelmed?" Dave laughed as he told us how his message seems perfectly tailored to his own circumstances as his delayed appearance tonight was the result of his truck not starting again after getting gas. So much pressure. So many expectations, put on us by others or even by ourselves. So many competing opportunities. Where do we serve? Am I serving the Lord to the best of my ability? Let's remember 2 Corinthians 4:8-9... "We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed." Read on to verses 16-18 and then Galatians 6:4-10.

SECRETARY'S REPORT – July minutes approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT – July report approved. Terry reimbursed for the 9/11 prayer cards picked up today.

ROAD CAPTAIN'S REPORT – Jack provided info from a Cruiser website article concerning twelve motorcycle myths and misconceptions. Take the time to read it; you might find a few surprises.

<https://www.motorcyclecruiser.com/12-motorcycle-safety-myths-and-misconceptions/>

Terry mentioned an article in the latest AMA magazine and "Look for me" kits developed to bring motorcycle awareness to four-wheel drivers (for AMA members, see the link below and then for a description of the kits: page 27). https://issuu.com/americanmotorcyclist/docs/am_0821_full_book_digital?fr=sMWV1OTQwMDkzNDU

Our visitor Gabriel shared that his brother-in-law died just this past February after kids threw very large rocks on the road between the time he first drove through and his return to the area. Dave reinforced the need for "all the gear all the time."

RUN FOR THE SON – R4S T-shirts will be delayed as CMA reports a supply crunch from the manufacturer. Frank P. explained R4S for our guest, Gabriel.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT / EVENT RECAP(S): NLR set up a table in CBC/W's parking lot on the night of NJ's balloon festival. Not many approached the table so we walked among the balloon watchers to talk with them and offer Gospels of John. A number of interesting exchanges with participants and CBC members.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Toy Run/Edna Mahan:** Chelsey/EMCFW says "yes" on their Christmas event; Flemington Powersports wants to host NLR. Dave will contact Jersey Mike's about taking orders at the event prior to the ride, participants pay out-of-pocket). Al's church will provide tables and chairs. Motorcycle Monthly called Dave asking about the event. Will need to place ad for Sept issue. No decision made yet: Ride or boxes in churches only?
- **Provident Pictures' OVERCOMERS film at CBC/Flemington:** Al's pastor not able to review DVD yet (dealing with prostate cancer, please pray for him! NLR to send a card). Al will keep us updated.
- **9/11 Materials:** Terry picked prayer cards today (submitted invoice). Total of Gospels of John (4 covers) needed TBD. Dave will order one case of Hope for the Highway from CMA; ATC and PM from Rick Barton.
- Al Curving's event on August 20 at the Sea Girt Training Center Pavilion is a "bring your own" food and some to share. This is a military installation. **YOU MUST HAVE RSVPd TO AL and BE ON THE LIST for entry** (think "the book of life"! otherwise you will be turned away.
- **4H Fair, Sat. Aug 28:** We are combining our monthly fellowship ride with ministry at the Fair. No NLR booth, but we will mingle wearing our vests. Bring MC Gospel of John and biker blessing stickers. Be prepared to share and pray! We will meet at Mom's Restaurant in Ringoes at 10am and ride together to the Fair.
- As offered, Matt (Missions Committee) posted "Why I Love CMA" video on CBC/W's website: <https://calvarybiblechurchnj.org/missions/cma>
- **Bike Night:** Dave to check to see if NLR can put up our canopy and if it is a Relay for Life fundraiser.

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- **ON HOLD: Jesus Film at CBCW:** R4S fundraiser. Multi-chapter event? Church, but community also?
- **ON HOLD: Breakfast at CBCW:** R4S fundraiser. Pre-event ticket sales only. Multi-chapter event?
- **TABLED: NLR Retreat/Event:** Discussion for the vision of NLR/CMA events at the Lebanon camp.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Rolling Thunder / May 2022 at County Fairgrounds:** No fee for NLR, but insurance remains an issue. NLR requested to hand out water. Need manpower for possibly 5,000 bikes (3 states of Rolling Thunder). Who pays for water? Dave to address with Frank and National. Add to Natl budget? Make as CMA/Tri-state event?
- **Next Fellowship Ride:** Sat, Aug 28. We will meet at Mom's Restaurant in Ringoes at 10am and ride together to the Fair.
- **Next Bible Study:** Thurs, Aug 19, 7pm at Dave's: Expect to binge watch three episodes of The Chosen!
- **Next Church Visit:** August 22. Lambertville Presbyterian Church. Terry to follow up with Jack's suggestion to ask Phil if bikes can park on sidewalk in front of the church.
- **TABLED: P.I.T. Crew:** In Feb, Terry briefly spoke about PIT (Personal Intercessory Team) crews and how we can incorporate the concept into one of our stated goals: Prayer Buddies. Terry sent a PDF along with last month's minutes. **FEEDBACK?**

Doug took Frank P's flash drive for membership; Gabriel took DVD and book to familiarize himself with CMA. (Jack confirmed: no need to reorder, four NLR patches on hand.)

We prayed out at 8:10pm, including for pastors Phillip Car-Jones (Church of the Holy Spirit); Scott Kovalcik (Clinton Church of the Nazarene); Tracy Henry (Clinton Presbyterian); Dr. Brandon Cho (Clinton UMC).

Attendees: Al Curving, Dolores Krumeich, Jack Marriott, Gabriel Picciano (G), Frank Pittenger (G/CMA), Terry Slemmer, Dave Stryker, Doug Waldron (G).