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**It is an exciting time to be a motorcycle chaplain in the Assemblies of God**

The Assemblies of God is fully backing ministry to the over eight million motorcyclists and bikers in the United States. A group of people of an almost foreign culture to most churches, a group that only 12% have had an adequate presentation of the gospel. Not only do we have a presence in almost every national rally but we are beginning to train more and more lay people in our churches to be a part of this ministry. HonorBound Motorcycle Ministry (HBMM, the only national motorcycle ministry of the Assemblies of God) has begun to make a difference in how we reach into this culture. We can thank Al Worthley, the director of Assemblies of God US Missions Chaplaincy, and Tom Greene, the director of Assemblies of God Men's Ministries and Light for the Lost, for their support of HBMM.



**Testimony from disaster relief after Gustav and Ike**

Looking for how Chaplaincy could partner with Convoy of Hope, we set up to do ministry after people received their supplies. We used pastors who were there as well as people the local pastor recommended. One of the things we did was greet everyone as they came through and ask if everything was ok. As Pastor Jeff Pieprzyca from Brownwood, Texas put it, "This way their last impression was not 'Hurry, hurry, get loaded'" You could easily tell the ones who needed additional ministry by their responses and the look in their eyes. As the Lord led, we would ask if they needed prayer and then would ask them to pull over to the side of the exit lane so they would not block the way of others or back up the line Convoy was serving. It was amazing how many times we would close our eyes to pray for someone and then open them to see someone different sitting there. The Lord would actually change their countenance as he replaced the fear, hurt, despair, or anger with His peace.

One individual was particularly notable. When he pulled up and I asked him if he was ok, he angrily said, "No, I am not!" I asked him if he needed prayer and to my surprise, he said yes. After he pulled over, he ranted for the next five minutes fuming with anger. He had bought a generator so he could bring his family home, but the generator did not work. When he took it back, the store would not take it back or work with him. While in the store, he had spoken with the manager and even called his supervisor but was unsuccessful in getting anything done. Finally he said he went outside and sat in his truck. Then with his hand held as though he had a gun with his finger on the trigger he said, "I just wanted to go and get my gun and kill the man!" He said this several times and then tears began to pour down his cheeks. He said, "The man hurt me. No one ever hurt me like this before." I told him that by the grace of God he did not do it. He responded by saying, "If I were not a saved man I would be in jail right now." I asked if he was a Christian and he told me that he was and that he was active in his church and in a prison ministry. Then I shocked him when I said, "Then you had the victory today." He looked at me as if I was from Mars. I explained how the enemy would have been more than happy for him to follow through on the temptation to kill. It would have destroyed him, his

*Disaster relief testimony continued...*

family, and his ministry. And not only had he won over the temptation, but now he understood the rage that had driven so many of the young men that he ministers to in prison. Everything about him changed in that moment. I noticed he had a generator in the back of his truck and he said that a friend loaned it to him. When we prayed, we gave thanks to God for the generator and for the victory. It was good to see him smiling as he drove away. What a testimony he will have to share with others because of this encounter with God.

While in Port Arthur, three women pulled up beside me laughing and said, "We have a bet. What do you do for a living?" They were not ready for the answer. I said, "I am a preacher." Since I am a biker chaplain, I am not what people expect a preacher to look like and they said, "No, really. What do you do." I repeated my answer and gave them one of my prayer cards. The lady driving began crying and asked if I would pray for her family. After we were finished that afternoon, I looked up to see the car back at the edge of the parking lot. When I walked over, she and her 32 year old son stepped out of the car. He had wanted to come to talk with me. He was out of prison and trying to get restored with his wife. I talked to him as I would my own son. I asked him if he was "clean" and he told me that he was pretty much clean. We talked and soon this young man who was almost a head taller than me, laid his head on my shoulder and began to cry as he got right with God. Two weeks later we called him back when we found a half way house 30 miles from his wife's house that was willing to take him in. Now we are working on getting him there.

God can even use a hurricane to bring people to where they need to be... both literally and spiritually.

**TO PARTNERS AND POTENTIAL PARTNERS**

**We are so close to having our monthly support built up to what it needs to be so we can plan everything after April of 2009 to be based on where we need to be doing ministry rather than where we need to be raising support. If you are one of our monthly supporters, we thank you for all you do. If you are willing to support this ministry and be one of our partners or you have not been sending your support, we need you now more than ever. Please consider partnering with us by sending a faith promise form in to AG US Missions. Thank You.**

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*This summer I received a call from a biker that I met in Wisconsin last year. When I met him, he had been saved a couple of months. He asked if I remembered how I told him that he needed to be a part of a local church. Then he told me that not only had he become a part of a church, but that he had just returned from a missions trip to Central America. Can you imagine how much his life must have changed and how much he must have grown in the Lord in the last year since he got into a committed relationship with a local church?*

## CHURCH IS IMPORTANT!

*"I have heard your prayer, and have chosen this place for Myself as a house of sacrifice. When I shut up heaven and there is no rain, or command the locusts to devour the land, or send pestilence among My people, if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land. **Now My eyes will be open and My ears attentive to prayer made in this place.**" 2 Chronicles 7:12b-15*

Although Americans often want to minimize the houses of worship we call God's House or church, our Father places significance upon the "places" we worship Him in. This is where we as the people of God need to gather together to publicly, and in His presence, humble ourselves (*be willing to admit the error of our ways in light of God's ways*), and pray and seek His face, and turn from doing things contrary to God's Word, and God will hear from heaven, and will forgive us our sins, and heal our land.

**HonorBound Motorcycle Ministry** is a **CHURCH-BASED** ministry and it is the **ONLY NATIONAL** motorcycle ministry of the Assemblies of God

HonorBound Motorcycle Ministry **REQUIRES** applicants to be:

1. Drug, Alcohol, and Tobacco free for 1 year
2. Complete a personal evangelism course
3. A pastor's endorsement that the applicant faithfully attends and financially supports the local church.



**FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO:**

[www.deserthighway.org/HBMM-Info.html](http://www.deserthighway.org/HBMM-Info.html)

Let an AG US Missions Motorcycle Chaplain help you get HonorBound Motorcycle Ministry started at your church

## WHAT IS NEW?

WE ARE PREPARING AN  
**ANNUAL NATIONAL  
 ASSEMBLIES OF GOD  
 MOTORCYCLE RALLY**

**TO BE HELD AT LAKEVIEW CAMPGROUND  
 WAXAHACHIE, TX - BEGINNING SEPT. 2010**

We are also working on getting published a **NEW Book of Hope –ROAD EDITION**  
 To be introduced next year



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