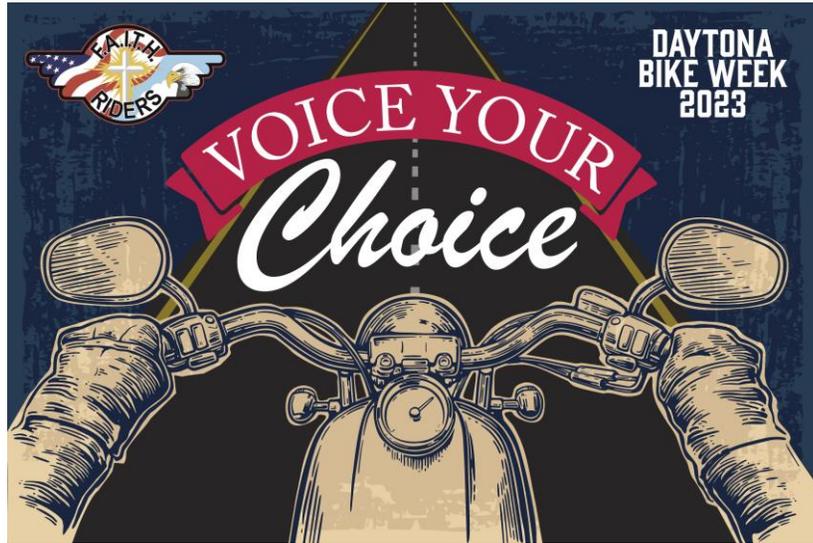


2023 Daytona Bike Week



Daytona Beach Florida
March 3 thru March 11, 2023

Praying for the
Daytona Bike Giveaway

**A 30-Day
Prayer Guide**

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For information on how you can be a part of the Daytona Bike Giveaway evangelistic effort, please go to our website:
www.daytonabikegiveaway.com

Here are three ways you can help with the Rally:

- 1) **Pray:** Pray for the Spirit of God to work in the hearts of our volunteers – the visitors to the Rally – the police – hospital – emergency services – city workers – and the people who live in Daytona.
- 2) **Teams:** Pray for volunteer teams from churches, motorcycle groups, and friends to come and share their testimonies under the tents this week. Pray they register at the Daytona Bike Giveaway website.
- 3) **Financial:** Our budget for the Bike Week provides for the training, vendor booth and tent rental, housing, city fees, and other expenses – and yes, a Harley Davidson motorcycle to be given away daily at the event. Donations can be sent to:

F.A.I.T.H. Riders Motorcycle Ministry
7100 US HWY 17 South
Fleming Island FL 32003

Why do we ask that you join us in praying for the Daytona Bike Giveaway? Because God's Word tells us that we should be a people who pray for God's will to be done.

He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field. Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves."

- Luke 10:2, 3

"And He told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart."

- Luke 18:1

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Day One
“Bathed in Prayer”

“If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.” – John 15:7

Dallas Mills of Virginia, one of our faithful partners in this ministry, has written a short and to the point prayer focus for us this day:

“Start praying now for:

- Financial support for the Rally
- All volunteers to be spirit-filled and prayed up and not be distracted
- Courage, discernment and holy boldness for volunteers to proclaim the Gospel
- Divine appointments as volunteers travel to and from Daytona
- Protection for bikes (and cages), as well as volunteers to and from Daytona
- Unity among the volunteers
- Adequate quarters for all
- Even right now, the Holy Spirit will be working in the hearts of those who will come to our booth
- Safety as we will be working in a new location and longer hours
- Temperate weather during travel and during the Rally

- Staff of the FBCD, as their work load will ramp up dramatically.”

Please take a few minutes today and pray for every area of this event. Pray God protects all who live in Daytona and those who will be coming for this special event.

Day Two
“They Will Listen”

“Go into all the world and proclaim the Gospel to the whole creation.” – Mark 16:15

Could Daytona be a ‘ripe’ harvest field during the Bike Rally? Is it possible that God may see these bikers with a loving heart and desire to see them trust His Son, Jesus?

The answer to both questions is ‘yes’! Since F.A.I.T.H. Riders began this evangelistic ministry at Daytona during Bike week 12 years ago, 3,699 people have placed their trust in Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Our volunteers have shared a simple three-minute testimony with 33,271 people.

That is a ‘ripe’ harvest field by any measurement!

- Pray for people who come to see the motorcycles to be able to ‘see’ Jesus and ‘hear’ of His love from our volunteers
- Pray for the people to be open to hearing and responding to God
- Pray for our volunteers to share their stories with love and grace.
- Pray for God to open eyes and hearts so all may come to know His Son Jesus
- Pray that all who come to be part of this event will be kept safe
- Pray for safety for all who serve; pray for their loved ones at home to be protected during their absence

Day Three “Comfort Them”

‘Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God’s grace in various forms. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ.’

– 1 Peter 4:10-11

“When Daytonans think of the Daytona Rally, they think of hundreds of thousands of Harleys keeping all of their roads congested. However, there is a group that we don’t think of often, vendors who come to town to sell their wares. They are tired from traveling and putting their booths or stores together. Some of them even sleep in the back of the store or under their table in their booth for the entire week.”

The Chaplains focus this week on serving the vendors. It is a pleasure to serve the vendors in any way that they allow us to serve.

We have developed some relationships that are held very dear. It is through these relationships that we strive to show God’s grace through various forms.

- Pray that every contact we make with the vendors is a contact that God can use
- Pray that the chaplains are cognizant of the needs of those vendors we meet
- Pray for God’s grace to shine at the Rally
- Pray for protection for all that attend

Day Four “Protect Their Health”

“Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, as it goes well with your soul.” – 3 John 1:2

Whenever you gather hundreds of thousands of people in a small geographic area and have them on motorcycles, cars, and trucks, someone will get hurt. Vehicular accidents will happen.

People will also get sick, drink too much, and have pre-existing health problems and other issues that will require medical care.

Remember to pray for the medical professionals that God has gifted with the skills and abilities to take care of others. We as believers love others because God has placed it in our hearts to do so. Please pray for those who will be in the Daytona area for the Rally who have a heart full of compassion for others and the medical skills to do something to help them in their time of physical need.

- Pray for the doctors, nurses, and medical technicians who live and work in Daytona and the surrounding communities
- Pray for the EMTs and paramedics who work on the emergency vehicles in Daytona and the surrounding communities

Day Five “Protect Them from Harm”

“Be at peace among yourselves. And we urge you, brothers, admonish the idle, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with them all.”

– 1 Thessalonians 5:13-14

It is widely known that Daytona and the surrounding areas are known as a wild place during the Rally. A large number of people come to the Rally to ‘have fun’ – which to many means to ‘eat, drink, and be

merry'. Too often, this is done without regard to what impact it will have on others.

To keep a handle on things, the city of Daytona hires extra police officers for the Rally week. These officers work long hours in a difficult environment for the express purpose of keeping the community safe. Since I actually stay in downtown Daytona, seeing all these police officers around definitely makes me feel safer.

Because the city of Daytona uses many officers who do not know each other and come from different police departments, there may be some procedural differences and communication issues that may pop up. Pray for these men and women to work together with very few problems.

- Pray for the safety of the police officers who will work this year's Rally
- Pray for their safety as they walk their beats, ride their bicycles, ride their motorcycles, ride in their police cars, and ride in the police vans
- Pray for them to keep their cool and to think clearly in the tense situations many of them will face
- Pray that the people they will be dealing with will not make a bad situation worse

Day Six "God Answers Prayer"

"...I was a stranger and you took me in." – Matt. 25:35

For 50 weeks out of the year, Daytona is a beach town. But every October and March over 400,000 to 600,000 people converge on the Daytona area. With hundreds of vendors selling their wares, it can be very competitive to say the least.

Last year my Chaplain partner and I were checking on vendors when a young male employee approached us. As he poured his heart out about his situation, we did what we were trained to do – listen and demonstrate the love of Christ. After listening, we simply asked if we could pray with him.

Knowing that God answers prayer is a point every Christian ought to stand firm upon. As we were ministering to vendors again the next day, this same young man approached us, but this time with a big smile on his face. He thanked us for taking the time to pray with him the previous day. He said our prayers had been answered. His seemingly hopeless situation now had new traction. He was encouraged and appreciative that strangers had taken an interest in him.

We may have been strangers to this young man, but he was certainly no stranger to our Heavenly Father. We took him in for just a few minutes that hot August afternoon, and his needs were met far above that which we could foresee.

God is good and answers prayer in ways we might not expect.

- Pray for the vendors and their employees that their spiritual, as well as physical, needs will be met
- Pray for the Chaplains to have spiritual insight as they minister
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to pour out His power

Day Seven "City Workers Need Prayer Too"

"And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened." – Luke 11:9-10

Bob Hower, a local pastor and a volunteer Chaplain for the Rally shared, "for 50 weeks out of the year Daytona is a sleepy beach town. All of that changes each March when over 400,000 to 600,000 people converge on the Daytona area. Over 700 vendors come to sell their products. This is in addition to all Rally visitors, and there are hundreds of vendors in downtown Daytona."

The city of Daytona has to handle all these people – business licenses, sanitation, traffic flow, power usage, water usage, portable facilities, etc. The city workers are under tremendous pressure in the months leading up to the Rally and work long hours during the Rally

itself. Then there is the cleanup. The city workers have quite a job to do.

Please pray for them whenever you think of the Bike Giveaway.

- Pray the city workers to have thoroughly planned out their response to the Rally
- Pray for the city workers to have patience and understanding with all their visitors
- Pray the city workers will see Jesus in the F.A.I.T.H. Rider staff and all our volunteers
- Pray there may be some of these workers who will come to know Jesus as their Savior and Lord as a result of the work of so many Christian brothers and sisters

Day Eight “Safe Travels”

“Trust in the Lord, and do good; dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness. Delight yourself in the Lord, and He will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord; trust in Him, and He will act.” – Psalm 37:3-5

With some 400,000 to 600,000 people traveling to and from the Daytona Bike Rally this year, accidents are bound to happen. Every year there are many accidents. Some are lucky and escape injury. Others never arrive to their intended destination. Traveling to Daytona can be a risky adventure.

Our Daytona Bike Giveaway ‘family’ has not been exempt from dealing with accidents. We have had people involved in accidents both coming to, during, and going home from the Rally.

Please pray for the safety of all volunteers and for everyone who is coming to be a part of the Daytona Rally.

- Pray for good weather to drive in
- Pray for good road conditions to drive on
- Pray for everyone in a car or truck to be alert to the motorcycles around them
- Pray for the riders to attentive to the conditions around them, both weather, traffic, and road

Day Nine “You Can Do This”

“And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, ‘All authority has been given to Me in heaven and earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” – Matt. 28:18-20

Another of our gracious volunteers, Robert Rhodes, has written this day’s prayer guide: “I’ve seen some of the greatest ministry at the Rally come from those who never thought they could share their faith with the biker culture. Let me tell you about one, whose name is Charlie. He is 53 years old and been in church his entire life. He’s never been an alcoholic or a drug addict, totally opposite of most of the biker lifestyle. He is a very good guy but had never led anyone to Jesus.

He accepted the opportunity to obey God and work under the Faith Rider tent, but was afraid. Two reasons for his fear are he has a quiet personality and he does not relate to the partying / biker crowd. He knew he needed the Lord to help him. Out of desperation, he prayed and prayed and prayed.

In Acts 4 there is a similar story where the disciples were told to be quiet yet they asked the Lord for boldness. Charlie depended on God to help him and God used him to lead his first person to Jesus. It sparked such a revival in him that his home church knew he had had an encounter with God. I know it because I get to pastor this man that God used and is still using to this day. Philippians 4:13 says you can do this because it is really not you doing it, it is God!

- Pray for boldness to witness
- Pray for obedience
- Pray for God to work through you”

Day Ten “Catchers”

“...and also for me, that word may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the Gospel.”
– Ephesians 6:19

We use some of our volunteers to stand at the front of the tents next to the sidewalk to ‘catch’ people in the crowds that pass by the front of our evangelism tents. These ‘catchers’ are the first point of contact for the wave of humanity passing by.

The role of the catcher is to quickly attract the attention of those passing by and share about a chance to win a Harley Davidson or a cash prize. The catcher informs those who choose to listen that for three minutes of their time one of the volunteers under the tents will share how God has changed their life. That’s all there is to it.

Many do not believe we are actually going to give away a motorcycle or cash. They are convinced there is a catch. The only ‘catch’ is for them to come under the tents and listen to someone share their Gospel story.

- Pray the catcher’s voice would hold up under the constant strain and very noisy environment
- Pray for the catchers to have a holy boldness
- Pray for the catchers to speak clearly and joyfully to those passing by
- Pray for God to speak to and through our catchers

Day Eleven “May They Hear”

“I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come.” – Ephesians 1:16-21

There is ‘darkness’, an oppressive spirit that seems to descend on the town of Daytona during the Rally. There are times when you walk along streets and sense a spirit of evil weighing upon you. The vast majority who come to the Daytona Rally have given no thought to our Savior and Lord Jesus. When you think of the Lord’s work we will be doing at the Rally, please pray for spiritual protection for each of our volunteers.

- Pray that God helps hundreds of those who come under the tents to hear someone share about what God has done in their lives to have their eyes opened.
- Pray for the oppressive spirit to lift around our tents
- Pray for the volunteers to “*put on the whole armor of God that they may be able to stand against the schemes of the Devil.*” – Ephesians 6:11

Day Twelve “For Our Local Churches

“I thank my God in all my remembrance of you; always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now.” – Philippians 1:3-5

With between 400,000 and 600,000 motorcycle enthusiasts coming to the area for the Daytona Rally, you can imagine how this can make life difficult for the churches in the area.

Many residents of the area leave during the Rally to escape the crush of people and roar of the motorcycles.

First Baptist Church Daytona allows us to use their facilities for housing, while encouraging their members to volunteer under the tent for the week.

- Pray for our local churches to find creative ways to share the love of Jesus Christ to these motorcycle enthusiasts
- Pray for our local pastors as they lead by example in showing Jesus' love to this throng of people
- Pray for the members of our churches to share Jesus' love with the motorcyclists they meet during the Rally

Day Thirteen "Partners in Missions"

"And Paul chose Silas, and departed, being recommended by the brethren unto the grace of God." – Acts 15:40

Today's prayer guide comes from Chris Murdock, another of our terrific volunteers:

Even the mighty Paul could not do it alone; God gave him Silas as a companion, and the church at Antioch as partners in prayer and financial support. With the direction of the Holy Spirit, they set out on a missionary journey that changed the world. God is still sending us to proclaim His glorious Gospel, and we still need help from other

Christians to accomplish the task. I can't do it without you, you can't do it without me, and God has chosen not to do it without us.

I encourage you to enlist partners for your trip to Daytona this year. Many of us travel with other believers to work 'under the tent' during the Rally, but we also need partners in our homes, our churches, and among our friends. Ask members of your church to pray for you during the trip, and give them something specific to pray for or a specific time to pray. Communicate with them during your trip, and let them know how God is blessing the work. Enlist your family members to pray for you while you are on the road and in Daytona. God may even lead others to help you financially. Let them know how God used their offering to bring people to faith in Christ. God blesses those who are sent, and He blesses those that send them.

- Pray for those we will witness to at Daytona – may their hearts be ready to receive the truth because God has been preparing them for such a time as this
- Pray for God to send volunteers to share the Gospel
- Pray for the churches who host the volunteers
- Pray for the staff of F.A.I.T.H. Riders as they coordinate facilities, sleeping, food and the volunteers.

Day Fourteen "O For Blue Skies"

"It is he who made the earth by his power, who established the world by his wisdom, and by his understanding stretched out the heavens. When he utters his voice, there is a tumult of waters in the heavens, and he makes the mist rise from the ends of the earth. He makes lightning for the rain, and he brings forth the wind from his storehouses."

– Jeremiah 10:12-13

Weather for the Bike Rally always makes it interesting. Sometimes we have had temperatures reaching into the low 100's – rainstorms – lightning – and heavy winds. It can be inconvenient, but we always find ways to adapt and make the best out of every circumstance.

With these kinds of weather conditions, you can imagine how tough it can be on those on motorcycles. But, they soldier on and it becomes part of the story of their trip to the Daytona Rally.

Weather can be an exciting part of the story for many of those who come. Let's pray the weather does not become a bad experience for those coming to the Rally

- Pray for good travel weather for both those who ride their motorcycles back and forth to Daytona as well as those who trailer them in
- Pray for good weather during the Rally – may it help us see more people come to Daytona
- Pray for good weather for all the vendors who will be there for the event
- Pray the weather does not cause any accidents

Day Fifteen “The Heart of a Volunteer”

“And I sought for a man among them who should build up the wall and stand in the breach before me for the land that I should not destroy it, but I found none. Therefore, I have poured out my indignation upon them. I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath. I have returned their way upon their heads, declares the Lord God.” – Ezekiel 22:30-31

We would never be able to pull off this event if it was not for those men and women who volunteer to ‘stand in the breach’. These volunteers have been a constant source of joy and encouragement to those of us in the F.A.I.T.H Rider Ministry who work to put this evangelistic even together.

Our volunteers take time off from work – many travel a great distance – sleep on air mattress – work a three-hour shift; all for the opportunity to share what God has done in their life with a visitor to the Rally. We in the F.A.I.T.H. Rider Ministry hold these volunteers in the highest regard.

These volunteers do not have to concern themselves with God's indignation for not serving Him with their time, talents, money, and efforts. They serve gladly for the joy of the Lord. These volunteers are some of my heroes.

- Pray for our volunteers to serve God this week with joy
- Pray for our volunteers to be able to lead someone out of the darkness of sin into the light of God's love
- Pray for our volunteers to be able to get along with each other and those who come under our tents
- Pray more believers are convicted to be a part of this evangelistic ministry

Day Sixteen “Criminal Justice System”

“Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. For rulers are not terrors to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, for he is God's servant for your good. But, if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is a servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer. Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience.”

– Romans 13:1-5

The Daytona Rally has justly earned its reputation as a huge motorcycle fueled party. People come from all over the world to celebrate because of their love of motorcycles. And ‘reality television’ has put many of these parties on television for our entertainment. Because of alcohol, drugs, testosterone, we see many people do some very foolish things.

This is where the criminal justice system comes into play. The police often have to arrest these revelers who have gone too far. They have to face the penalty for their actions. We should pray for those in the criminal justice system around the Daytona area.

- Pray for the jail system and its workers
- Pray for the judges and lawyers who deal with these situations

- Pray for the safety of all in our criminal justice system during this time

Day Seventeen
“May They Be Ready to Hear”

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.” – John 3:16

Through the years we have been carrying out this evangelistic ministry we have seen people from all walks of life come under the tents – hear a quick, simple Gospel presentation – and give their heart and soul to God. As Jesus said in Luke 10:2, truly the harvest is plentiful.

We know that March is a busy time for each one of us. We also know that we must prepare our hearts and minds for this great evangelistic ministry at Daytona. Please take the time to personally help us prepare to share the Gospel with those who come to the Bike Rally.

God wants us to spend time with him in prayer before the Rally – especially if you are planning to be one of the volunteers. Please encourage your church, your Sunday school class, your small group, your friends, and your family to pray for a great movement of God during the Rally this year. May we see a revival begin as a result of this ministry!

- Pray for God to move among the people who are coming to Daytona to party – may they come to Christ Jesus instead
- Pray for those who will be sharing their three-minute testimony at Daytona
- Pray that those who come under the tents will consider what is at stake for their eternity

Day Eighteen
“Following Up”

“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

-- John 13:34-35

It is easy to celebrate when one gives their heart to God accepting Jesus as their Savior and Lord. It is so simple and natural to celebrate with someone who has just made the most important decision in their eternity.

It is much more difficult for those of us who lead them to Christ to see them receive proper follow-up and care. It takes more effort – more mental energy – more spiritual resolve to see these new believers receive proper instruction and encouragement in their spiritual growth.

Please remember to pray for a strong, consistent effort to follow up with these new believers.

- Pray for each of these new believers to receive quick, strong follow-up
- Pray each of these new believers will find a solid church home
- Pray each new believer will grow in their faith and knowledge and practice
- Pray for those who led these new believers to Christ to follow-up and encourage them
- Pray for believers who live close to these new Christians to seek them out and love and mentor them

Day Nineteen
“Let’s Do This Together”

“Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow. But woe to him who is alone when he falls and has not another to lift him up! Again, if two lie together, they keep warm, but how can one keep warm alone? And though a man might prevail against one who is alone, two will withstand him – a threefold cord is not quickly broken.” – Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

Teams make up a large part of our Daytona Rally ministry. It’s a joy to see people working together for the glory of God and for their joy in doing God’s will together. It is very encouraging to see groups of believers, whether they are from a local church, a motorcycle ministry, or simply friends, working together to share the love of Jesus in a dark place.

Please pray that more teams will be formed to come to the Daytona Bike Giveaway to share the Gospel of Jesus with those who worship their motorcycle or the next party, or their own pleasure. Seeing so many people working together to share the love of Christ with the bikers has to make a positive impression on them.

Please consider either putting together a team or being a part of a team with your church, your motorcycle ministry, or your friends.

- Pray for more teams to volunteer to work at sharing the Gospel of Jesus at the Daytona Bike Giveaway
- Pray for these teams to have great unity of purpose
- Pray for the safety of these teams to and from the Rally and while they are their
- Pray for these teams to share their story about what Jesus has done and is doing in their lives

Day Twenty “Be Mindful to Pray”

“And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.” – Ephesians 6:18a

The following is a daily prayer guide from one of our area pastors, Steve Lindsay:

What happened to me as a result of working the ‘tent’ changed my prayer life.

I attended the round table before the event; it was similar to things I had attended before so that was not new. I went to the three-minute training on how to share my testimony. A thing I had done before. I felt quite comfortable heading to my first tent experience.

The week arrived and I had a heightened awareness that this was huge. I had never seen so many bikes. I was excited to go do my part for the Lord. I wondered if I had prayed enough and was I prepared for what I was about to encounter?

I went into the tent comfortable, surrounded by my religiosity. The first day I do not think I truly led anyone to the Lord. I was powerless. Hopelessly lost in my own confidence in what I could do as a pastor. The next day I changed my attitude and humbled myself under God’s power. Here’s what I pray for now – please pray with me:

- Pray regularly for the ministry at the Rally
- Pray for the volunteers who will be working the Rally
- Pray for your spirit to be strong and your eyes to be pure
- Pray to remember that salvation comes from God – not you

Day Twenty-one “Ministering to Those Who Minister”

“Let your light shine before men, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in Heaven.”

- Matthew 5:16

This devotion comes from Sonja Newton:

What is the meaning of minister? (1) (v) to serve; to give care or attention to; (2) (n) one who serves others as God directs.

We have almost 200 volunteers who work in the tent giving their testimony or Chaplains walking the street meeting vendors. They are obvious lights shining in this dark world we call the Daytona Rally.

There are so many people working behind the scenes to make this event possible. They are so appreciated. They donate prayers,

FBCD houses us, and their donations help with many different ministries.

With all of these ministries, our light shines brightly.

- Pray for the vehicles to be mechanically sound
- Pray for the drivers health during the Rally
- Pray for travel safety
- Pray for all involved to be encouraged

Day Twenty-two “Lives Changed Under the Tent”

“Do you not say, ‘There are yet four months, then comes the harvest’? Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest. Already the one who reaps is receiving wages and gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together.”

- John 4:35-36

There are life-changing stories taking place under the tents at the Rally. It starts with the work of the ‘catchers’ bringing people under the tents to hear one of our other volunteers share a brief, three-minute testimony. When the people come under the tents, our volunteers get to the point quickly. They share about their life before they knew Jesus as Savior and Lord. They share how they came to trust in Jesus and give Him their lives. They share about the great joy of following Jesus.

Then they share ‘the question.’ “Would you like to ask Jesus to forgive you of your sins and trust in Him to be your Savior and Lord? Would you like to pray to Him right now?”

Since the Daytona Bike Giveaway ministry began in 2011, our volunteers have shared the Gospel with 33,271 people. We know of

3,699 that have prayed to receive Christ as their Savior and Lord. Many tears of joy and thankfulness have been shed under our tents. God has clearly been at work through this ministry. Please keep this Daytona Bike Giveaway ministry in your prayers.

- Pray for the ‘catchers’ to be prayed up and ready to talk to all who walk past our tents
- Pray for our volunteers to share their testimony clearly and passionately
- Pray for those coming under the tents to hear these testimonies – may they give their lives to Jesus
- Pray that many will trust in Jesus to be their Savior as a result of this ministry

Day Twenty-three “Send Me”

“And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” Then I said, “Here am I; send me.”

- Isaiah 6:8

Mary and Mike Gandy have faithfully served this ministry for several years. Mary wrote today’s devotion:

Several years ago, the Lord compelled me to share the story of my life with my church family of over 30 years. He enabled me to share details of my childhood that I had never told anyone other than my husband. That experience freed me to be able to share the story of God’s love more openly.

Little did I realize that God was preparing me for a mission trip the likes of which I had never experienced? My husband, our pastor, and another man had gone to Daytona the previous year to share Jesus, but I knew that wasn’t a place God could use me. I began to pray earnestly for God to “send me” somewhere to share Jesus with the lost. He showed me that I had been judgmental in my attitude toward sharing His love, and that was where He was calling me to go.

Over the past several years, I have had the privilege of sharing my story with many. God has used event in my life to point people to Him – for that I am ever thankful!

- Pray God will give you the opportunity to share His love with a dying world
- Pray that people will heed God’s call on their lives to go to Daytona with people who come under the tents

- Pray for God to prepare the hearts of those who hear the testimonies of the volunteers

Day Twenty-four “For the City of Daytona”

“If my people who are called by my name 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.” – 2 Chronicles 7:14

With 400,000 to 600,000 thousand coming to visit downtown Daytona during the Rally, I cannot begin to imagine the kind of pressure that puts on the entire city. From the mayor on down to the least city employee; from the chief of staff at the hospital down to the least hospital employee; from the chief of police or county sheriff down to the least law enforcement employee; from each business owner; from all the support services that will be used during the Rally. Let us not forget all those who organize this Rally.

It is clear we need to pray for all the people who have a part to play in this upcoming Rally. We should remember to pray for Daytona every time you see or hear a motorcycle.

- Pray for everyone in the City of Daytona and the surrounding communities to have a great experience during this Rally
- Pray for the Spirit of God to be keenly felt throughout this Rally – for we know *“the thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy.”*
- Pray for all our volunteers and staff to be spiritually prepared for the spiritual battles that will take place
- Pray for those who will be attending the Rally to be able to hear from God – and to follow His leading in their lives

Day Twenty-five “Reaching Adults” (Part One)

“Be alert, stand firm in the faith, act like a man, be strong.”
- 1 Corinthians 16:13

Rodney Harrison, a faithful part of our work at Daytona and Sturgis writes:

Few would consider Daytona and Sturgis to be a ‘family- friendly event.’ Despite well-intentioned efforts to tame Daytona and Sturgis, it is still a place where hard steel, hard men and lawlessness is grounded in reality and not just an outdated stereotype.

I was recently in a large, but declining church that was ‘top heavy’ in staffing. The irony is the adult ministry program was ‘on the chopping block’ whereas the children’s ministry was ‘untouchable.’ When I questioned the rationale for this resolve, the response was, “Everyone knows that if you reach the children, you’ll reach the parents.” Ironically, nothing is farther from the truth, nor more unsupported by the descriptions of the early church in the book of Acts.

A study quoted by Sturgis Rally alumni, Dr. Danny Decker, shows that if a child is reached first, the church is successful in reaching the family (all parents and children in the household) less than 4% of the time. If the mother is reached first, the family is reached 17% of the time. However, if the father is reached first, that number soars to 94%.

- Pray for men who do not have a personal relationship with God to stop by our booth during the Rally
- Pray for these men to be open to hearing and responding to God
- Pray for our volunteers to share the love of Christ Jesus clearly and passionately with these hardened men (and women)

Day Twenty-six “Reaching Adults” (Part Two)

“Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ. Now I command you because you remember me in everything and maintain the traditions even as I delivered them to you. But I want you to understand that the head of

every man is Christ, the head of a wife is her husband, and the head of Christ is God.”

- 1 Corinthians 11:1-3

Today we continue with the thought Rodney Harrison shared yesterday about the importance of reaching fathers / men with Gospel and the affect this has on their family and friends.

Daytona is an opportunity to reach adults. Even better, it is an opportunity to reach men. Of course, we rejoice when a child or teen comes under the tents and hears the Gospel. But reaching adults, especially adult men, is how the Gospel spread in the book of Acts.

Yes, Jesus loves little children. Therefore, resolve to reach their parents – especially the men who come to Daytona to escape what they perceive to be bondage to family and responsibility. Let us show these dads what it means to act like a man, so that their families can experience the transformation that comes when Christ is the Head of the head-of-house.

- Pray for the men who pass in front of our tent to have their hearts softened and prepared by the Holy Spirit to hear from God the Father
- Pray for families of the bikers, many of which are facing challenges and difficulties in their relationships/marriages
- Pray God’s Holy Spirit to use Daytona to awakening men

Day Twenty-seven “It Is a Spiritual Battle”

“Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. Put on the whole armor of God that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.” – Ephesians 6:10-12

It has been said that our tents was located on the ‘edge of evil.’ Well, with our location at at the race track, we have moved even closer to the ‘evil.’ The spiritual darkness is oppressive in these areas of Daytona during the Rally.

People everywhere looking on for their pleasure, without any thought to the people around. This part of Daytona is loud, noisy, bright, full of bars, and full of people looking to stimulate themselves with sin. Into this mix we bring the Light of God: *“The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has NOT overcome it.” – John 1:5.*

Pray for all of our volunteers to be ‘prayed up’ as they descend into this darkness. Give each of us the right attitude – right spirit – right conduct – right thoughts – right heart to join this spiritual battle.

- Pray for each volunteer to be strong in the Lord
- Pray for each volunteer to think and act appropriately
- Pray for each volunteer to speak in the love of Christ to those who walk in darkness
- Pray for those who stop under the booths who do not know Jesus to have the ‘scales fall from their eyes’

Day Twenty-eight “Christians Unite”

“I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment.” – 1 Corinthians 1:10

Fred MacDonald wrote in a prayer guide, “Satan is tossing roadblocks of deception into the paths of God’s people in an attempt to destroy their effectiveness. As you prepare to come to Daytona, it is essential you recognize his traps.” One of these traps is that we are the only ones who will be in Daytona bringing the Good News to lost and dying people.

There are many churches that are in the Daytona area that are desperately trying to reach out to the motorcycle enthusiasts with the love of God. There are also many ministries that are coming to the Rally to try to share the Gospel of Jesus. We are not alone in our desire to see the Name of Jesus exalted and those who live in darkness to see the light of Christ. There are also thousands of people across this country and the world that are praying for those who are coming to Daytona to meet Jesus even in this dark place.

We cannot forget that we are a part of a larger work of God during the Daytona Rally. We must play our part in spreading the Gospel.

- Pray for each ministry that shares the truth of Jesus with people throughout the Rally
- Pray those who come to Daytona see believers working together for the good of the people
- Pray that the Daytona Bike Giveaway ministry will play our part with love and respect for the glory of our Lord

Day Twenty-nine
“Success for the Vendors”

“...give and it will be given to you. God measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measure back to you.”

- Luke 6:38

Many vendors take a gamble coming to the Daytona Rally, hoping there sales will offset all the expenses incurred to be a part of the Rally. Through the years, we have seen many vendors set up close to our tent. We have made an effort to try to support and encourage these vendors.

We have heard too many talk about 'losing their shirt' by coming to the Rally. You would think with so many people attending the Rally that it would not be that difficult to make your money back and then some. The reality is, many of those who come take a beating financially.

We pray for these men and women who have risked so much to bring their business to Daytona for the Rally. We have had the opportunity to share the Gospel with dozens over the course of the years. Which is a good thing – but they still lose money over a fickle location, product, or crowd.

Pray for these vendors to make a living while at Daytona and for our being Christian examples in their pathway during the Rally.

- Pray for the hundreds of vendors to at least break even during the Rally
- Pray they hear and see the Gospel from our Chaplains and evangelism tent workers
- Pray for their employees to hear and see Jesus in our teams example

Day Thirty
“Pray for Our Success”

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

- John 3:16-17

Over the years the success we have experienced has come because of the clear presence of the Holy Spirit working in our hearts and minds during the Rally. We have been blessed by having some of the choicest of God’s servants to give of their time, finances, and efforts to share the Gospel with total strangers. Please pray a blessing upon our volunteers and F.A.I.T.H. Rider staff every time you hear a motorcycle between now and March 4th.

One of our faithful and precious volunteers, Frank Baxter, wrote several simple, clear prayers for us to pray:

- ‘Lord, I ask you to open the hearts of all the people in Daytona during the Bike Rally to the Gospel of Jesus Christ
- Lord, let all the volunteers hearts be ready for the work of the Kingdom and to see Jesus in every person that comes under the tents
- Lord also let the people you have chosen for the Kingdom become disciples for you.
- We thank you, Lord, for the work you are going to do at the Daytona Rally and in the workers hearts.