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Believers and Politics?

There are those Christians who believe we should not get involved in the political arena. They see that realm as too secular or beneath them or unclean or something that God will take care of when He sees fit.

We have been blessed to be in a country that allows its citizens some say into who will lead – which direction we will take as a nation. If you believe you have been blessed to be a citizen of America, either by birth or by working hard at obtaining citizenship, then I put forward this proposition; that this country and your place in it has been given to you by God. To me that means we have a responsibility of not only taking physical care of the land but spiritual care as well by seeing to it that the elected authorities are as righteous a selection as we can get; that the elected will push and pull the peoples into a right standing with our Maker.

I have seen, and have been watching, our land now, especially in the “halls of power”, as falling further and further away from the Lords teachings and His laws that have been the cornerstone of our Constitution and way of life. Which cornerstone is the only basis for morality.

Did our Lord put you here to act the ostrich? Or say, “Oh, I’ll just wait it out till Jesus comes. Then all will be well.” When Our Lord comes again of course all will be well but what’s that saying about the Bible’s teachings concerning being a “good steward”?

I know I’m criticized for passing around information political as well as spiritual but as it is written; “My people perish through lack of knowledge.”

If you saw a neighbor about to inadvertently step into a snare would you not warn him? Why not so your country?

Submitted by George Tamburino (NY)

EDITORS NOTE

⁹ "I now establish my covenant with you and with your descendants after you ¹⁰ and with every living creature that was with you—the birds, the livestock and all the wild animals, all those that came out of the ark with you—every living creature on earth. ¹¹ I establish my covenant with you: Never again will all life be destroyed by the waters of a flood; never again will there be a flood to destroy the earth."

¹² And God said, "This is the sign of the covenant I am making between me and you and every living creature with you, a covenant for all generations to come: ¹³ I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴ Whenever I bring clouds over the earth and the rainbow appears in the clouds, ¹⁵ I will remember my covenant between me and you and all living creatures of every kind. Never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all life. ¹⁶ Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth." ¹⁷ So God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant I have established between me and all life on the earth." Genesis 9:9-17 NIV

When we make covenants or promises with God or others we expect Him or them to keep their word and get very upset if they don't. But are we keeping our word or promise or covenant. So many times we will say I promise and forget about whatever we promised to do. My mom and I used to make "agreements" all the time about everything. Most of the time we kept our word to each other but not always. I have never seen God not keep his word but there are a few times I have failed to keep mine. It used to be a handshake was the only thing that was needed to make an agreement but now tons of papers have to be signed for all agreements. As I look back on my prayer journals and the covenants I have made with God he has kept his word in some very glorious ways. As the saying goes "Better than I deserve". There are people that have not honored their promises to me and I forgave them but it did hurt. I am praying and standing on God's promises in the Bible but have I kept my promises or covenants. Numbers 30:2 (KJV) "If a man vow a vow unto the LORD, or swear an oath to bind his soul with a bond; he shall not break his word, he shall do according to all that proceedeth out of his mouth". Isaiah 55:11 (ESV) "so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it." . Just food for thought.



MJM Board of Directors Nominations

It's time to nominate members in good standing to serve on the MJM Board of Directors. Nominations must be received in writing by Amber Beckman, B.O.D. Chairman, by October 1, 2024. You can email the member/s name/s and a brief explanation why you believe they should serve on the Board of Directors to Amber Beckman at 614-598-0682 or email it to Amber at amber_beckman@hotmail.com. Please speak to the person(s) you are considering nominating to be sure they are in agreement to serve on the MJM Board. Members may not nominate themselves. Posted from MJM's Handbook on the qualifications for Board Members.

Motorcyclists for Jesus Ministries will be governed by a Board of Directors. All corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the direction of the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors will be current riders whose experience, expertise, and wisdom are essential to the Motorcyclist for Jesus Ministries. Nominations for the Board of Directors will be made in writing by any member, other than the nominee, to bring his or her name before the Board for consideration to be put before the general membership for a vote. All nominations should be in the hands of the Chairperson of the Board of Directors no later than October 1. This deadline will be published in the August and September issues of the T.E.A.M VOICE Newsletter. The nominee must have been a member in good standing with MJM for a minimum of two (2) years. The member making the nomination shall include a brief biography and reasons why he or she believes the nominee would be a good board member. The Board of Directors shall then approve, or disapprove the nomination. Nominations will be considered with regard to geographical location. If approved by the Board, ballots for the nominee(s) shall be mailed individually to each member to approve their choice of nominees.

Elected Directors may serve for two (2) consecutive three (3) year terms. However, they must be elected by the membership for each of those terms. Director may appoint a member to fill a Board position resulting from an individual not meeting attendance requirements, resignation, or death. The appointee will hold office until the next election of the Board of Directors. Completing a vacated term does not count as the first of two (2) consecutive terms. Decisions of the Board will be determined by a simple majority vote.

The Board of Directors shall consist of at least four (4) elected members, but not more than seven (7) plus the Chaplain/Educational Director. The Chaplain/Educational Director will be an ex-officio member of the Board. He or she will also be involved in the administrative functions of the Ministry. A Chairperson of the Board will be elected annually by the Board of Directors. The Chairperson of the Board may vote only to break a tie.

The Board of Directors, each being born-again, loyal Christians, will focus attention to all Motorcyclists for Jesus Ministries programs and activities, to assure that all programs and activities reflect a loyalty to the gospel of Jesus Christ, and that all programs and activities will have an evangelistic outreach to lead motorcyclists to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and to a true worship experience. The Board of Directors will establish governing policies, appoint and approve the Chaplain/Educational Director, Officers and Road Representatives, and prescribe activity guidelines.

All officers and Road Representatives, with the exception of the Board of Directors, will be reappointed annually for the ensuing year upon review and approval by the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors will hold a minimum of two (2) meetings per year. The time, place, and means of such meetings will be determined by the Board of Directors. A Director may be represented by proxy at only one (1) meeting per Fiscal year April 1st through March 31st, unless a valid reason acceptable to the Board was in evidence. If a Director misses two (2) Board meetings without a prior valid excuse that would be accepted by the Board, he/she would be removed from the Board of Directors. Absent Directors would keep attending Board members from having a quorum and thus unable to have a legal meeting. Decisions on special issues may be made by use of Fax, E-Mail, or telephone through polling each Director. To constitute a quorum, meeting would require that two-thirds (2/3) of the total Board of Directors be present.

A majority vote of the Board is required to remove an officer or Board member, when it has been determined and documented that the individual in question has not conducted themselves or represented the ministry of the "Motorcyclists for Jesus Ministries" according to the guidelines as presented in the most recent Membership Handbook. Prior to the vote, the individual whose conduct is in question must be contacted by the Chairperson and be given the opportunity to speak directly to the Board Members at a meeting of the Board. An opportunity for MJM members to speak on the individual's behalf or support the individual's position to the Board shall be provided. The Board is to consult with all MJM Officers with knowledge of the events surrounding the conduct in question and consider their input as a final decision is made by a majority vote of the Board.

The Board of Directors may remove from the membership rolls any MJM member for misconduct. A hearing will be granted to that member by the Board of Directors to determine final judgement.

If a member wants to speak at a Directors' meeting, he/she must notify the Chairperson in writing to be put on the agenda no less than one week prior to the meeting. The guest member will be allotted five (5) minutes to present his/her topic.

Directors will donate their time and shall not receive a salary for their services as Board members or officers of this ministry.

Three-fourth (3/4) of the total Board of Directors must be present to change, rewrite, or cancel any part of this handbook.

AWARDS

MJM Board is excepting Nominations for the following Awards, Missionary of the Year, Founders Award, Pappy's T.E.A.M. Award, and the Servants Award. MJM Members can nominate other members and/or T.E.A.M.'s for these Awards to be given to Amber Beckman. Nominations must be received in writing by Amber Beckman, Board of Directors Chairman, by October 1, 2024.. The Board of Directors will examine all nominations and make the selection during the Fall Board of Directors Meeting. The person, couple or T.E.A.M. will be honored at the next MJM Spring Kick-Off.

Listed below is an explanation of the MJM Appreciation Award, MJM Servants Award, MJM Founders Award, Pappy's T.E.A.M., and MJM Missionary of the Year Award:

MJM Appreciation Award - For serving the members of Motorcyclists For Jesus Ministries with your talents at our Annual Spring Kick-Off "And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God." Revelations 15:2

MJM Servants Award - For outstanding service to the members of Motorcyclists for Jesus Ministries. "Well done good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share in your Masters happiness". Matt 25:21 NIV

MJM Founders Award - This award is given to honor the original twelve founders of Motorcyclists for Jesus Ministries. Given to member/s which have demonstrated the characteristics our founders set forth for the members to demonstrate.

MJM Pappy's T.E.A.M. Award - Pappy's Award is designated to be "Awarded" to MJM T.E.A.M.s only. This award will be given to the MJM T.E.A.M. that best represents the vision for outreach and evangelism in the motorcycle community. The T.E.A.M. nominated will be focused on meeting the needs of various charities in their regional areas, promotes and attends motorcycle events, and supports MJM National and local T.E.A.M.s.

MJM Missionary Couple or MJM Missionary of the Year Award The MJM Missionary Couple or MJM Missionary of the year will be nominated by the MJM membership. The person or persons making the nomination will state in writing why they feel this couple or person should be awarded MJM Missionary Couple or MJM Missionary of the year.

MISSIONARY/MISSIONARIES OF THE YEAR AWARD GUIDELINES:

1. Be a sincere proven Christian.
2. Exercise a fervent desire to minister to those in need.
3. Active in MJM vision of evangelism.
4. Presently involved in both secular and MJM events.
5. Support Motorcyclists for Jesus Ministries' purpose and goals.
6. Willingness to speak about Jesus and the word of God.
7. Support MJM Evangelist in regional activities and secular rallies.
8. Attends and supports a local Bible teaching church.
9. A prayerful financial supporter of MJM.
10. Serves wholeheartedly with love and encouragement for all.

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Members of Service for July

WC"Santo"	Landerer	21
Cindy	Landerer	21
William	Link	1
Mike	Davis	1

August Birthdays

Kerma	Wardlaw	8/1
WC	Landerer	8/2
"Santo"	Il	
Sharon	Platchek	8/11
Linda	Hawkins	8/17
Alvin	Bankert	8/22
Tonya	McDonald	8/25
Vernon	Hawkins	8/28

August Anniversaries

Robert and Sally	Brown	8/5
Philip and Belva	Guica	8/27

New members for July

None to report

God Bless

Respectfully Submitted By:

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Hello everyone. Please submit any articles, stories, testimonies, praises, poems, pictures, favorite verses, thoughts, or ideas you would like to see or have published in the MJM T.E.A.M. Voice newsletter to amber_beckman@hotmail.com or text 614-598-0682. Thank you, Amber Beckman

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