

BFC Rides

Friday 29th November - Meeting at Argonaut shops Cnr Kingston and Noel St Slacks Creek @ 7.30pm. Where an outreach is to held for kids on the streets and teenagers in general. After a feed and chat at "Drop in Centre, donations are gladly accepted at the "Drop in centre") We will head up to Mt. Cootha. Warm weather for riding, warm fellowship, sounds good to me.

December 1: Joining the Motorcycle Riders Association Queensland for their annual Toy Run. Leaving my place at 8am which is 10 Orionis St, Kingston 3388 3980 and headed for Davies Park (Souths leagues Club) at Westend, they will be riding through the Queens St Mall and parking at the GPO. Dress up yourself or your bike as a Santa theme if you want and bring a toy or other item, the Smith Family can use, tie it to ya bike and ride! Or a financial donation. All proceeds go to the Smith family charity and Royal Childrens hospital. Prizes and the such for best dressed etc.

December: No BFC Ride on as most of us will probably be away including me. Have a great Christmas and an even more prosperous new year. There will be a December Nerwsletter, but the January one will not come out till mid January as I am going to Victoria for the cooler weather over Christmas, enjoy your summer.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

I have lost everyone's telephone number due to my human error on my computer so please email, sms, write or telephone me with your number and if you would like to order a Patch - Roscoe 3388 3980.



Other Events

Loaves and Fishes Streetmeet in conjunction with Calvary Chapel have a "Drop-in Centre" in Noel St, off Kingston Rd, (part of the Argonaut shop where the old Revs diner used to be) every Friday night from about 7.30 pm, drop in and say Hi, have a feed, talk to some people and leave a donation to help run it, they are doing a good work! I will be there some nights, so if you intend on going ring me first and I will ride there with you.

Rochedale Tea Rooms:- 479 Underwood Rd, Rochedale; (New Life Bookshop) Open Mon to Sat! 3341 4682

Attached to a small Christian bookshop with a lending library and the nicest and happiest lady you will ever meet. Private tea rooms for groups or just go along for a look and a cuppa. Light lunches morning & afternoon teas, light evening meals can be arranged if you wish to prebook. Go along prices from \$3.50 and tell "Joy" that Roscoe sent ya.



Mid January if you are interested we can have a maintenance day. All tools supplied and assistance given (I have 3 1/2 years of my 4 year apprenticeship in motorcycle mechanics) Let me know if you are interested - Roscoe.



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Ephesians 4:1-6

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Freely you have received, freely give Matthew 10:8
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ANGELS? What is their assignment?

A subject not much shared about, taught about or even really thought about much - Angels, who are they, what do they do, where are they?

I would like to share with you my testimony, of two separate visitations from angels, but let me lead you first to some scriptures about angels. There are over two hundred instances in the Bible where angels have appeared to someone, the majority of them are in the new testament!

Heb 13:2 Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby **some** have entertained angels unawares. While Jacob Slept in **Gen 28:12** And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it. Gideon was comforted **Jdg 6:12** And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him, and said unto him, The LORD is with thee, thou mighty man of valour. **Psa 91:11** For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. **Psa 103:20** Bless the LORD, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word. **Dan 3:27** And the princes, governors, and captains, and the king's counsellors, being gathered together, saw these men, upon whose bodies the fire had no power, nor was an hair of their head singed, neither were their coats changed, nor the smell of fire had passed on them. **Dan 3:28** Then Nebuchadnezzar spake, and said, Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who hath sent his angel, and delivered his servants that trusted in him. **Mat 1:20** But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph... **Mat 4:11** Then the devil leaveth him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto him. **Act 5:19** But the angel of the Lord by night opened the prison doors, and brought them forth, and said... **Act 8:26** And the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip saying... **Rom 8:38** For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, **39** Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. **2Co 11:14** And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light **15** Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.

The first time I saw an angel, I knew it was. I was 15 and camping while on a hitchhiking round looking for work out at Gatton, I was only a new Christian and I had been praying "God

give me some work”, I was with a friend of mine “Tex”.

We were camped in a rest area down by the creek, the prickles there were as large as golf balls with long thorns on them so we placed our sleeping bags on the ground and slept on top. During the night I heard a voice calling me, as I rolled around to see who was calling me I rolled onto one of these prickles, it hurt and I was definitely awake.

A man stood at the edge of the road shining like..... I don't know, brighter than the sun, he pointed toward Brisbane and said “Ross go home as I have work for you”, he said this to me 3 times, he must have been 10 foot tall, as I blinked in disbelief he disappeared. We awoke the next morning, my hip was swollen from the thorn jabbing me but I could still hear this voice as clear as day telling me to go home I have work for you, and I remembered the angel I had seen the night before, I told “Tex” he thought I had lost it.

I started hitching home, the first car that went past picked me up and took me all the way to Buranda Railway Station, I jumped on a train and prayed “God if this is you I got no money and need to get home”. Well the very next station a ticket guy got on, but he just sat there and stared at me as if I was not there and then got off at Murrarie. When I got home Mum was surprised to see me but told me there was a phone number for me to ring upstairs, I rang it but it never rang instead a guy picked it up before it even rang and answered my call, he was about to give my job away to someone else as a porter in the Queensland Railways. I worked there for over 7 years.

The second meeting with an angel! We were visiting a friend Joy at the New Life Christian bookshop at Rochedale when a lady raced in screaming call an ambulance, I went to see what all the fuss was about first, an Aboriginal man was lying in the middle of the road, he had skin off him everywhere and was unconscious. I ordered the ambulance checked his breathing and rolled him onto his side supporting his head. I prayed “God protect him” was all that came out, I felt a real fool. Joy had returned and a few others when all of a sudden a dark man came running in and laid the boot into this guys backbone, I freaked and told him to back off, he's had enough, but he was coming in for more, I felt as I could not move quick enough to defend him, I laid my body in the path of the kicker and braced myself for a flogging. A Maori man appeared, pointed at the Aboriginal and told him enough, this made him back off, I thanked the maori fellow for helping and he replied everything will be alright now, I thanked him again and spoke with him briefly saying how if he had not have turned up I would have been in big trouble.

Later that night as the wife and I were washing the dishes, I was talking about the events and mentioned the maori fellow, she said there was none, an argument started, I know what I saw, I talked with him he talked with me. So Sharon told me to ring Joy as she was kneeling opposite me praying as well, I rang her and just talked generally about the night and then asked her where did that Maori fellow come from, her reply was she saw noone but did see me having a conversation with someone that was not there and commented the same as Sharon, “you must have seen an angel”, other witnesses were contacted; there was definitely no other person there and everyone wondered why the aboriginal fellow backed off like he did. It took me about 3 weeks to recover from that experience! Both experiences, the first at 15, the second was about 2 years ago, but both of them are as clear as if it happened yesterday, thankyou Jesus for your help and protection.

As you have seen, angels are sent to watch over us, protect us, guide us, and harken to the word of God, they are everywhere unseen but known of, even by non Christians!

OCTOBER RIDE - Ulysess Borrallon Satation Poker Run and Rally.

I was planning to camp over the weekend, but due to recent illness I thought to give it a miss, instead I just went on the Poker run. I took a friend along but amongst 300 or so bikes I did not notice any of you guys there, that's ok because I noticed after the ride back at the campsite the gymkhana was great, the friendship was great, overall it was an excellent day and night, and I won a trophy for one of the gymkhana events, that really capped it off. It was an excellent ride and I encourage you all to join me on more of them in the future.

THE FUTURE



God has shown me areas in my life to get my act together and next year “Bikers for Christ” will take a totally different course, the intentions are for it to be a social club only but at every opportunity, I will be going on other bike club runs (not outlaws runs) and taking the opportunity to share with people the gospel. Due to some generous donations by some who receive this newsletter, the front patches are going to go ahead, they will be available by January if not earlier. There will be no such thing as membership, but “requirements” to be able to purchase a patch. It will be used as a ministry tool to your choosing, or just a patch to show association as part of “Biker for Christ”, the monthly rides and newsletter will continue and I hope you will all take the opportunity to come along and bring unsaved friends knowing that they will not be bible bashed, but be shown the Love of Jesus. Somehow it will be more family orientated and if anyone would like to give input into this letter, feel free to contact me - I could use it, even testimonies would be great. - **Stay upright, Roscoe.**

TECH TIPS. - Ten commandments of being a true Biker!

1. Ride for Jesus, and don't throw the angels off the back with high speeds and silly manoeuvres.
2. Look after your bike - and it will look after you.
3. Look after other bikers, see a bike broken down on the side of the road stop and offer a hand, (except maybe an outlaw, you might get abused at the least.)
4. Out riding around notice a bike coming the other way, give a nod or a small wave of the hand to be friendly.
5. Don't be afraid to say Hi to another Biker at a popular stopping point, you just may plant some word of the gospel in a persons life.
6. Don't Bible Bash Bikers, be creative in conversation but without bragging or exaggerating.
7. Get to know different bikes, if you don't know about other people's bike, ask them.
8. Even though this is a tech tip, do not use technical “Christian Jargon” when talking with other riders (like hallalujah, praise the Lord, Praise God. It turns non Christians off, ever think of that?)
9. Make friends with non Christian Riders or even backslidden ones, do not stay in a comfortable “churchy” cocoon.
10. At the same time as all of the above - **DO NOT** be dragged away from Jesus by other riders or bikes, they should **not** influence you; You should influence them!

