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## Front Page News

*Yvon (Ivan) and Irene Audette, Board Chair, CMA Canada*

Greetings from the southernmost part of Canada

It's been a very busy and eventful summer for us this year. As we finished our Bikers for Change Rallies, Irene and I rested up a little bit and then took to the roads to take in the Atlanticade Rally in Moncton, NB. It was awesome to witness our fellow CMAers become a mobilized army under the watchful eye of Super Dave, handling the crowds and traffic and managing to help park all the motorcycles that came into Moncton to take in the Atlanticade experience. It was the first time Irene and I were there and we saw a great working together of our members from all over the Region and the leadership

that would make any one proud. The relationship that CMA has with the organizers and the city is something that is made only with time and dedication. Building a trust and respect over the years, it was great to experience what they have in Moncton, and the whole Atlantic Region. We are looking forward to seeing many great things happening in this Region with our National Evangelist, Malcolm and Gail Read and their leadership team. They have many open doors before them and God is paving the way for growth and the harvest of many souls!

We then set our sights on our No Borders Rally, in Otterburne, MB. Leaving home on a bright sunny day, the weather

soon changed and God, through His providence, had us avoid a tornado in Northern Michigan as we travelled north to make our way to Manitoba. We just happened to stop in at a gas station/restaurant because rain had developed, and met with other bikers who were stopped there to wait out the rain as well, when we saw a weather report warning of a serious storm heading across Wisconsin and Northern Michigan. We decided to change our route and head further North crossing at Sault Ste Marie and around Lake Superior to take the northern route and avoid the greater part of an ugly storm.

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## **Run for the Son Fundraising Totals**

### **Total - \$120,887.07**

#### **By Region**

1. British Columbia - \$8,967.22
2. Alberta - \$17,988.30
3. Manitoba/Saskatchewan - \$34,407.80
4. Ontario/Quebec - \$14,634.95
5. Atlantic - \$20,903.70
6. Leadership - \$23,985.10

#### **Top Fundraisers**

1. Ivan & Irene Audette, Windsor, ON \$9,401.00
2. Ken Forster, Leslieville, AB - \$6,690.00
3. Ross Teneckye, Regina, SK - \$3,748.45
4. Helen & Gene Rankin, Brandon, MB - \$3,267.00
5. Doug & Billie Beattie, Halifax, NS - \$3,111.00

#### **Top Chapters**

1. Leadership - \$23,985.10
2. Christian Light Riders, Brandon, MB - \$11,837.50
3. The 90 & 9, Regina, SK - \$11,609.35
4. Scotian Christian Riders, NS - \$8,698.10
5. King's Ransom, Rocky Mountain House, AB - \$7,455.00

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Praise God for His hand on us at that time! Towing our Bunkhouse trailer for the first time on a long trip also brought a little bit of apprehension, but after a few hundred kilometers we got used to it and enjoyed the rest of our trip to Manitoba. Getting there a day early we were able to relax a bit and met with James and Helene Rosso who had everything taken care of, including the last minute details.



As you read this newsletter, you will find other stories describing the Rally. For us, it was an awesome time of fellowship and hearing from God through our many speakers, one of them being René Changuion and his wife Delene, from South Africa, which brought a new accent of International flair to our Rally. For those of you who were not able to come, sorry you missed a great Rally. James and his team had everything under control and when there was a glitch, people were patient and issues were taken care of in the best manner possible. The team worked great. There have been numerous comments of this being the best No Borders Rally ever! I really appreciate James and his committee, for a job well done and want to thank them for all the hard work and dedication that was poured into making this No Borders Rally a great one. Thank you!!

One of the highlights of the Rally was the presentation of the Run for the Son cheques to our three ministry partners, who all attended. Paul Johnson of Open Doors, Brad Wilson of Missionary Ventures, and Chris McQuirk of Jesus Film Project were all able to experience an International Rally right here in Canada. We presented each of them with a cheque for \$24,177.41 as our total for RFTS was \$120,887.07 (slightly down of our totals of last year). To all of those who participated in RFTS, I want to thank you and congratulate you for your efforts. Keep up the good work!



Missionary Ventures is proposing a CMA trip to Iquitos Peru and Cuba and Open Doors is planning a CMA trip in Nov/Dec 2016 to the Island. If you are interested and feel God tugging on your heart to make a difference in someone's life in another country, then this is the place for you. Please contact Ron and Bev Wolfe through the CMA Canada webpage or by contacting them directly at: Home 403-475-1643, cell 403-473-2609 or email at [rbwolfe@shaw.ca](mailto:rbwolfe@shaw.ca). Who knows, the difference made might be in your own life!

Next year we will be continuing with Bikers for Change, with a new theme and location.

As we head through the rest of the summer, remember whom we are doing this for, Our God and Holy Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who has given up everything for us. "Do not weary in doing good" 2 Thess. 3:13. Let me add in something that CMA's founder Herb Shreve wrote about you the CMA members that sacrifice much to carry out the Great Commission:

*“Webster says a hero is a person who is “courageous, fearless and brave.” As I look at the Bible, I find Biblical heroes are people who obey the Lord whatever the cost. A few weeks ago, on a cold damp morning at a campground in Florida, I sat near my tent watching a group of Christian Motorcyclists depart for the streets of Daytona Beach to minister to the thousands of bikers who came to party. A quiet joy filled my heart as a soundless voice said, “You’re looking at some modern day heroes.” I knew this voice spoke the truth.*

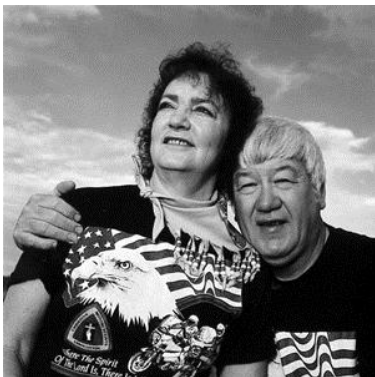
*These men and women had saved their money and had denied themselves materially to ride to Daytona for a week of hard, hard work. They had ridden through cold and rain to come to Florida to claim Satan’s turf for the Lord.*

*Seven days of this and then it’s back home to work until the week end, when they get on their motorcycles again to go and lay claim to the turf Christ died for.*

*All over America and Canada and South Africa and many other places, this cycle on the cycles happens every week – men and women head home on Friday from a tiring week to get on their cycles and go into Satan’s territory, to take a stand for Jesus and let the lost world know that Jesus is alive and they are loved.*

*The cost? They pay with their hard-earned money from their own pocket. They pay in lost rest, pleasures, material possessions, friends, loss of prestige for some, and all for a tired body.*

*The rewards? Peace, joy, souls saved, lives changed, satisfaction, plus the rewards and treasures laid up in Heaven.*



*These are the Christian Motorcyclists who obey the Lord, heedless to their circumstances and regardless of the cost.*

*To the thousands of CMAers whom I’ve described – I thank you, and I’m proud you are wearing CMA Colors.*

*Your commitment may seem to go unnoticed and at times unappreciated by most. But the Lord sees and cares and is mindful of your efforts. One day you will stand before Him and to you He will say, “Well done my good and faithful friend. You rode well for the Son.”*

*Herb & Shirley Shreve*

And this is what I say to you as well, for those of you who are taking time out of your busy lives, to ride for the Son to carry on the Great commission your reward will be great.

You are His Army and are mobilized to take back what Satan has stolen, wearing His armour and riding Horses of steel and chrome for the Son!

God Bless each and every one of you and we love you ... God’s team!!

# The Opportunities to Experience Miracles

By Malcolm and Gail Read, National Evangelist, Atlantic Region



In writing this letter for all CMA to read, it is my prayer and thought that all who read this may know that God can bless an individual as well as an entire group. This true story also transcends boundaries of provinces and countries and pulls in a multitude of people, all together for the glorious purpose of God, reaching out to the lost. Matthew 5:46-48 comes to mind here and every single CMA member and there are many all deserve equal credit for the unfolding of this event. From the Island Christian Riders, to the Scotian Christian Riders and the Cross Road Christian Riders, an opportunity to serve arose out of the dust of a motorcycle accident.

Let's begin, shall we?

Ben and Molly: On July 3, 2016, the final parade of bikes of the Summer Ride Bike Rally in PEI made its way from Summerside to Borden. This final ride was the conclusion of this event. Klaus and Alice Nieuwhof of ICR noticed New Hampshire license plates on some bikes that were there and struck up a conversation with them. Eric and Shaun (brothers), Ben and Molly were on a bike ride around the Maritimes taking in NB, NS, PEI and NFLD. A conversation followed with a number of CMAers over ice cream. Lance told them about the bike event that they had just missed and the final biker church service and blessing. They were disappointed that they had missed this and an offer to perform a small service for them personally, moved them. Blair gave them their blessing stickers, Biker Bibles and Daily Bread Biker Editions. Alice also gave Molly an Angel charm and a personal CMA card so that continued contact could be made and we could send them a copy of the picture that was being taken. There were 14 people gathered around the bikes for this, Blair and Malcolm closed the blessing with a prayer. Everyone departed in their own direction feeling content ..... forward six days.

It is now Saturday, July 16, the Amherst Border Town Biker Bash is in full swing. There are two other CMA couples from CCR staying with Malcolm and Gail to help with the pending rolling church service Sunday. We are outside suited up and ready to KSU when my cell phone rings, its Alice from ICR with news of the accident. Alice fills me in on the situation and the status of everyone ... I am stunned. I talk with Alice for about 10 minutes and she informed me that she even had an e-mail from Ben's dad, Michael, who said that *Ben insisted that I contact the people on this card Klaus and Alice; they can help us and cover him and Molly in prayers, as well as the parents of both families.* I tell Alice that I will meet them in Borden as we have a scheduled bridge ride there within 2 hours. I go around to the front of the house where the other members are and ask them to shut down their bikes. I tell them all what has just transpired and we all circle and pray together for God to use us as he sees fit and may we be able to come along side anyone in need in this matter.

We left Amherst, NS, with about 80 bikes for a run to PEI. Once in PEI we broke away from the group and met with Klaus and Alice. There were Dave and Michelle, Stephan and Joanne, Gary and Brenda and Gail and I, 10 of us all together plus Klaus and Alice. Once again, a circle formed and we prayed for God to look after Ben and Molly, the parent's, the doctors and to allow the parents to feel at ease in another country. Out of this circle of prayer, it became apparent that we needed to go to Halifax to come along side of those that were there. Alice contacted Ben's dad Michael to ask if this was 'ok' and he said 'yes'. It was settled that Blair, Janet, Klaus and Alice would venture over Sunday and we would go that day.

Saturday's visit: Five bikes and six people took off for Halifax to the QE 2 Hospital. Arriving in the parking garage, we called Ben's father to tell him that we were in the building and making our way towards them. He met us when we got out of the elevator. It was obvious to me that Michael was burdened, tired and red eyed, but under the circumstances looked ok. I am not sure what he expected, but there we were. Biking boots, CMA leather vests, jeans and hats, helmets in hand, guys and gals alike and me with a Bible in my hand. We followed them into a quiet room where we talked with Michael and Tammy for a bit. Tammy, Ben's mom, went to inform the nurses and make sure that we could see him and came back saying that not all of us could visit Ben. Quick as a flash it was decided that the girls would visit Holly and the guys would visit Ben ... that's the CMA way anyway ☺ ... God was very quick and we all agreed, in we went to see Ben with Tammy and Michael took Michelle, Joanne and Gail down to see Holly and her parents.

Dave and Stephan can attest to the transformation that took place in Ben as well. He lay there very pale, motionless, major surgery on his right leg, his whole body sore and bruised and then it began. Suddenly colour started to come to his pale arms and face, his mom started crying, his eyes got clear and we three gathered around him. I asked if I could touch him and he said 'yes'. I put my hand on the top of his head, Dave moved in as well and Stephan, who said he knew not how to pray very well, did the same and prayed as well. Ben wept a bit and we read scripture to him from various places. I closed by reading John 3:16 to him, but substituted his name for the word 'world' and his mom was crying and taking pictures, nurses were coming in to check his monitor which had gone up. God was there in the midst. Our 10 minutes were up so we left only to find that the girls did not get to see Molly as she was having a bad day now. So, the nurses let them go and see Ben. There he was sung Amazing Grace and more prayers and ... yes, more tears. God was not done with us yet, we were taken across the hall to another room where we went in and prayed for another couple and he got right up out of bed and wanted to get going. He had just had knee surgery ... nurses running around, checking on things and the second patient in the room wanted prayer also. We then had the girls join us; a picture was taken in this room as well. All too soon we had used up our time, the nurses had suppers to serve and we went and met with the Michael and Tammy again in the quiet room. They thanked us for coming so much and that it meant so much to Ben and them for this kindness and effort. We just said this is what we do. A few final remarks and we left having the full gaze of the entire nursing staff upon us... perhaps more seeds planted?

God looked after the little things as well. Molly's parents, Joe and Jackie, did not have passports, but were able to get them in one hour. They spoke of being comforted by strangers and people who prayed for them and were willing to come and meet them and just be with them. Wendell Shepherd, a CMA member in Cape Breton mailed the left behind personal effects to them in New Hampshire. He commented that the Biker Bible and Angel charm did not have a mark on them. Even the folks that were in the car were put at ease. Sandy Langer, yes, you guessed it, another CMA member in Cape Breton, had a hand in this also. It was his next door neighbours, an elderly couple, who were very concerned about being involved in this accident and were relieved to hear that they would recover from the crash. Sandy is kept in the loop and continues to pass along information to them.

In closing this true-life situation to you, I will type word for word a closing paragraph from a couple of members. *"It is truly awesome to look back and see the hand of God in all the small miracles that happened along the way that day. Like the off duty EMT that was two vehicles behind the crash and took full control of the scene, that we had not decided what bike event to attend Saturday so God could use us to provide comfort to the families involved. To the biker bible and charm in the jackets not having a mark on them which has impacted Ben knowing that God was there. It's awesome to be part of CMA and have a network*

*of Christian bikers who can be called on for help at any time. We never know how God uses even us in the smallest ways to do BIG things that have HUGE impact in other people's lives."*

*And, a closing prayer by another couple, "Thank you dear heavenly Father for allowing us to be a small part in Ben and Molly's story. I pray they see their need of a savior and that they become a shining light for you to their friends and family. Thank you for all your blessings, we love you and pray that we keep listening to your voice to know where you want us to be next in reaching the bikers one heart at a time."*

It is with heart-felt appreciation that I write this CMA newsletter edition on your behalf. I want to thank everyone of you who took the time to assist me by writing me your thoughts and perspectives on this so that this may go forward and encourage others to simply do the same. CMA is an awesome family of God to serve in. God Bless you all.

## **God had other Plans – Horse Thief Hideout – July 2016**

*By Betty Farrell*

*Calgary Chinook Riders, Calgary, AB*

I had no intention of attending the Horse Thief Hideout rally, in Invermere, on the first weekend of July, as I had a houseguest staying with me for the weekend.

A few members of our Chapter were heading out early Friday morning. Then something happened and I got the "bug" (the riding bug that is). So I quickly requested a vacation day, loaded up the bike, took the dog to the "Country Club" kennel and headed out with the others from our Chapter (Frank and Liz Amantea, Orville Cook and my husband Harry Farrell).

It was a nice sweet ride and we made good time ...Pastor Frank was leading.

We rolled into the grounds and set up camp or do we call it glamp? Anyone who has camped with Liz Amantea knows that camping is more like glamping when you travel with her.

A series of divine appointments started to unravel. First, as I was wandering the grounds and decided to "photo bomb" a group of bikers, turns out an old childhood friend of mine was standing right next to me (we hadn't seen each other in 20 years) we chatted and got caught up and reconnected. She asked for prayer for some family situations.

Second, there was a lady who we all knew was a friend of a friend of ours from Lighthouse Church. We knew who she was, but she did not know who we were. We started talking to her and once she realized who we were, tears started rolling down her cheeks. I held her hands and we all prayed with her. I wrapped my arms around her and told her how much Jesus loves her. I held on tight and we all laid hands on her and ministered to her right in the middle of the busyness.

Third, the couple camped right next to us was visiting Horse Thief for the first time as well and were worried that they might feel uncomfortable with the "rowdy" bikers. They were relieved to know that the Christians had set up shop right next to them. And, little did they know how rowdy we could actually be. They were there with their son and daughter-in-law. I got their email address and I am corresponding with them now.

Fourth, there were two men who decided to hang out with us on a regular basis each evening around the campfire. They were talking to Pastor Frank for about two hours before one of them asked, "What do you do?" How I laughed. I thought they knew. Well, that did not dissuade them. Frank got to minister to them throughout the weekend and I am sure that we have not seen the last of them! God is soooo Good!

Then on my ride home, I ran into yet another old friend who I used to party with who was a little worse for wear from the night before. I got to have a nice conversation with him about how I choose to live a clean and sober lifestyle, all the while sporting my CMA patch (I won't tell you the name of their group because this is a family newsletter).

All I did was show up, be available and pray for God to use me in any way he sees fit. God does not call the qualified, he qualifies the called.

See you in the wind!!

## God's Total Surrender to Us

*By Pierre Boissonneault  
Crossroad Christian Riders, River Glade, NB*

*Lord help me to look beyond my circumstances and put my hope in you, all authority and power are yours. Remind me of you Lord and let me rest into Your love. Praise Your Holy Name.*

For God so loved the world that He gave ..... ( John 3:16 ). Salvation does not mean merely deliverance from sin or the experience of personal holiness.

The salvation which comes from God means being completely delivered from myself, and being placed into perfect union with Him. When I think of my salvation experience, I think of being delivered from sin and gaining personal holiness. But, salvation is much more! It means that the Spirit of God has brought me into intimate contact with the true Person of God Himself.

And, as I am caught up into total surrender to God, I become thrilled with something infinitely greater than myself. To say that we are called to preach holiness or sanctification is to miss the main point. We are called to proclaim Jesus Christ (1 Cor. 2:2) For I determined to know nothing among us except Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

The fact that He saved from sin and makes us holy is actually part of the effect of His wonderful and total surrender to us.

If we truly surrendered, we will never be aware of our own efforts to remain surrendered. Our entire life will be consumed with the One to whom we surrender. Beware of talking about surrender if you know nothing about it. In fact, you will never know anything about it until you understand that John 3:16 means that God completely and absolutely gave Himself to us. In our surrender, we must give ourselves to God in the same way He gave Himself for us-----totally, unconditionally, and without reservation. The consequences and circumstance resulting from our surrender will never even enter our mind, because our life will be totally consumed with Him.

No one should ever grumble at what Jesus told us in Luke 9:23 pick up your cross daily and follow Me. That is part of surrendering our life to Jesus.



# No Borders Experience

*By Malcolm Read, National Evangelist, Atlantic Region*



Greetings in that matchless name of Jesus Christ.

I would have to say that No Borders started the day I walked off the platform at Sunny Brae Baptist Church, after B4C, in May. The first person to shake my hand and congratulate me was James Rosso, National Evangelist for the Prairie Region. He said, “Well done, Malcolm. Do you want to speak at No Borders in July?” I said, “Sure. Okay ... What do you want me to speak about?”

To all of you, who may not have attended a No Borders rally, GO! Put it on your ‘to-do’ list for a CMA event.

How can I speak with such conviction and certainty of this event having only attended one? Because sometimes only one time is needed to change you and help you grow towards the next big step of faith. I conversed with James off and on throughout the summer and had things pretty well established in my mind as to what to speak about and share at this event.

With a three-week departure time upon me, I sat down to compose all the ideas and thoughts that I had been mulling over all summer and put them onto paper. Upon completing a prayer before I even touched a key board, God said you are not speaking on this. It was a resounding statement to

me in my mind and I was ...now what? I immediately went to prayer again and asked God (told him) Lord you need to give me something now that I can use, and I need it now. I never did get one word typed that night. What I did do was spend the night looking up every use of three words in Strong’s Exhaustive Concordance of “Together, We and Serve.” Mentioned well over 3,000 times; God gave me a new message. It also just happened to be the theme of our No Borders Rally.

At 1:30 p.m., July 17, 2016, Gail and I were holding hands and praying for God’s grace and protection as we began our journey in the front seats of our motor home. Then I started the engine and we pulled out of our yard with over 4,237 miles or 6,355 km. to go. At 9:30 p.m. that night, we pulled over into the first rest area in River Du Lou, Quebec, and slept. It would be my last good night’s sleep until we reached Otterburne. I could not help but feel that there was something striving to stiff arm me from our point of destination and purpose ... (any guesses?).

\*Folks, as we came to deal with each shortcoming that befell us, there was also a voice saying, “I will get you there to do what I have for you to do.” Prayer is comforting and so is the still quiet voice of assurance.

Otterburne: Late Thursday afternoon, the first person we saw as we made our way to turn into the driveway of our final destination was James and Helene. We stopped and greeted each other out of the windows of our vehicles. As I was parking the motor home and trailer, Gail showed to me that a couple was having a hard time getting their trailer hooked to their motor home and to go and help them. So, I did, and met a nice couple from Michigan, USA, who were motor homing it for the first time as well. We became friends immediately and spent time chatting with them throughout the whole event. Generally, I have a tendency to be a shy person, but God has been

chipping away at me over the years and slowly transforming me into what He would have me to be. I never felt out of place at Otterburne, but right in place. This was my first big CMA rally and I have to be sincere ... I literally saw things that I have heard preached about from our tapes and CDs being fulfilled. Smiling faces everywhere, excited conversations going on everywhere, laughing going on everywhere, praying groups going on everywhere, offers of assistance to help going on everywhere, and portraits of Jesus Christ being presented by people at every turn and corner everywhere. Yes, this is No Borders.

It has been said that there were 15 states and seven provinces and one international country represented. I met CMA board members from our two great countries, other National Evangelists, Area Reps, Presidents, René Changuion, and John Ogden Sr. Everyone had time to talk and chat with me. That struck a chord with me to take the time to speak with people. Could it be that there is a reason that God has given us two ears and one mouth? Hmmmmmm ... a valuable little lesson right here.

Roger, a great new friend from US filled me in on why we have No Borders and how it came about and the reasoning behind it. That was very helpful. On top of all this, there was something that I did get to see with great interest and then quiet appreciation and that's our Board of Directors, CMA Canada. They were almost omnipresent: they were everywhere doing this and that, taking part in registration, singing, opening up the events of the day, leading us in prayer, sitting at a tent asking any and every one to stop in and have a seat to chat and rest a while, going from table to table and asking, chatting and seeking to just be there. "Here am I Lord. Use me." This was our leadership in action. I had the opportunity to spend time with each and every one of them. This is something that I feel every CMA member needs to take advantage of if they get the chance. These people are servants as well and have hearts devoted to God.



Saskatoon No Borders' Attendees

Yes, I spoke Friday morning. Yes, I was nervous. And, yes, God did bless His message. Countless brothers and sisters in the Lord offered very encouraging remarks. Others said that the message spoke to them and that they needed to hear what it said. It was even mentioned by other speakers and so I knew beyond a reason of a doubt that God's message was delivered, not Malcolm's.

Four lines of bikers went into town and what came back sent cheers throughout the meeting that evening. From the Mennonite community we heard, "What a pleasure to serve and feed and chat with such a polite pleasant group of bikers. Come back again anytime." Wow, it was so nice to hear that not one situation was present to cause a poor reflection upon God's nature through all of us ... Wow!!

One very moving part for Gail and I both was the Sunday morning closing of the worship service. The Evangelists were asked to go down front before an altar call was given. We had the chance to come along side of a woman who came forward (whom Gail and I have continued to pray for personally on our own). What a wonderful experience to share in with this precious fellow CMA lady ... we will never forget you. She was our first. Thank you so much!

To me, personally, I was moved out of my comfort zone and had to rely upon God for protection and providence. \*One episode we had on the way

to the rally was when we slept locked up for the night in a Ford dealership's parking lot in Ottawa. A Christian mechanic fixed our motor home the next day. \*Later, out in the middle of nowhere, we got a flat tire and parked up a back road. God gave us a tire (free) to fix our motor home flat and send us on our way. The man who fixed our tire had served with our son in Afghanistan!

\*Another flat tire on the way home was fixed and repaired just down the road from Montreal. One hundred dollars covered the tire and the job; I had taken the money out of a 'now working' debit machine outside the cafeteria the day before leaving, just in case I needed cash ... go figure. Gail and I got to pray over this sweating man on the side of the road, thanking him for being sent to us

to help us. Was No Borders a good experience? By all means, Yes!!

I saw a great relationship of sincerity, appreciation and mutual respect by all folks no matter whom they were or where they were from on all levels. The ability to present a Christ likeness was very evident and I am eagerly looking forward to being a part of the next one. What I have put into words here is just a piece of all that has happened. Go and see what God will do for you in these events. It will change you in ways that God wants to change you.

And, when getting ready to leave, Gail saw a couple having an issue closing their awning on their motor home. Yup, she said it, "Go help them."

## No Borders

*By Merita Melnychuk  
The 90 and 9, Regina, SK*

My husband and I became CMA members in 2010. We have gone to three No Borders rallies; Brandon, MB, in 2010; Kitchener, ON, in 2012; and Otterburne, MB, this year.

This rally was the best we have ever attended. The facility was fabulous. The speakers were all very interesting and all brought forth a thought provoking message. The praise and worship team worked well together and so the music was very good. The foyer was large enough and very comfortable to facilitate visiting and fellowship beyond the sessions. With almost everyone on the grounds either in the dorms or camping there was such a feeling of unity. The taste and selection of food was top rate.



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But I think the thing that I liked most was the communal meals. With having everyone eat at the same time in the cafeteria, you got to sit with other people besides the people we already knew from other rallies or our own chapters. When meals are off location, we all tend to stick with the group or chapter members that we came with, but with having the communal meals in the cafeteria, you end up sitting with different people almost every meal and thus building relationships with members from other chapters, cities and countries and thereby, there really are No Borders.

Hats off to all the organizers of this rally. I know it is no small task to get something like this together. Thank you for taking the time to get it all organized so well that we just had to show up and enjoy it. Well done!!

**Be Blessed as you are a Blessing!!!**

# No Borders 2016 ... in Words

*By Bruce Ewanyshyn*

*Christian Light Riders, Brandon, MB*



Every second year, CMA members and friends meet together for an International Rally known as No Borders. This year the location chosen was in Otterburne, MB, at Providence Bible College south of Steinbach MB. The host Chapter was the Victory Riders, who had a little help from the neighbouring Chapter, the Christian Light Riders. The Canadian National Evangelist for the Prairie Region, James Rosso and his wife Helene, did the vast majority of the planning and preparation leading up to the event and James opened the Rally on Wed evening and closed it on Sunday morning with inspiring messages from his heart.

Louis Quasso, President of the Victory Riders, organized and led the rides and events outside of Otterburne including a memorable tour of the Mennonite Heritage Museum in Steinbach that featured one of only two fully operational flour grinding windmills in North America, a sod house, steam engines and tractors, antique cars, a traditional chapel, and of course a top notch authentic Mennonite cuisine restaurant with food to die for. Louis was also the sound guy for the worship sets and the preachers.

Louis's wife Cindy Hanson-Quasso put together and led the worship team which featured Cindy on keys and lead vocals, Estelle Berard (Victory Riders) on backing vocals, Ron Dyck on electric gui-

tar, his wife Marilyn on drums (Ron and Marilyn are the SK Area Reps from Regina), Quintin Giesbrecht (Victory Riders) on bass guitar, and myself on acoustic electric guitar. If you were to ask me what my highlight of the No Borders Rally was, it was leading worship with this amazingly gifted and Spirit led group of musicians. Our practice sessions were so much fun and the presence of God would linger around us. Cindy's song selections were perfect. I will forever be thankful to Cindy for including me in this group; WOW can Quinton and Ron play guitar or what and I love their heart for worship. Rock on Quinton!!

Often overlooked is all the work done in the trenches. Registration takes a lot of work and patience. Hank & Grace (Area Reps for MB) spearheaded the registration table and as a result missed the majority of events throughout the weekend through their sacrifice. They were true ambassadors for No Borders through meeting and greeting everyone. They were assisted at times by Helene Rosso and Gary and Lynne Ross (Board of Directors) and a few others. All who helped were amazing and full of joy and smiles.



CLR members Jim Stremel and myself were in charge of the Bike Games on Saturday and were blessed to receive assistance from CLR members Ken Laing, Hubert Muckel, and my beautiful wife Sheryl Passer-Ewanyshyn. Thanks also to Lorraine Laing for trailering all the game equipment as well as my guitar to No Borders. We had lots of fun with the games and the Lord prevented the rain from falling during the scheduled time. We

were also blessed by the Adult & Teen Challenge Director Steve Paulson who incorporated the Ride for Eternity fundraiser with No Borders with the termination location being No Borders. The TC crew blessed us with physical and spiritual food in the form of a BBQ and Testimonies. Thanks Brother Steve and Margaret Paulson!

The speakers for No Borders 2016 were top notch and delivered messages to inspire and motivate and touch hearts. As mentioned, James Rosso kick started the Rally off on Wed evening.

Throughout the week we heard powerful messages from Jay Wilber, North Central USA Evangelist; Malcolm Read, Canadian National Evangelist Atlantic Region; Roger Wilson, North Central USA Evangelist (my personal favorite); John Ogden, CMA International Chairman of the Board; René Changuion, CMA South Africa; and Yvon Audette, Canadian Chairman of the Board &

CMA Partners presentations. Rayleen Wilson gave the one two punch to the ladies during a Thursday afternoon session and I can just imagine how fired up that session was. Roger and Rayleen are truly fire starters and they know how to motivate us! Yvon's

message Saturday evening was grounded in the Father's heart. To hear his story and feel his heartbeat for CMA was I believe the greatest demonstration of authentic transparency we experienced during the rally. Yvon has gone through some gut wrenching trials and remains steadfast and rooted in the Father's love. The message that touched my heart the most came from John Ogden and that surprised me the most. I have always viewed John as the head of CMA USA and have heard him speak a couple of times but whether it was me or distractions, I hadn't heard his heart. On Saturday I heard his heart and what I also heard was a man honoring CMA Canada and oth-



ers who are moving this ministry forward with passion and vision. I heard and saw a John Ogden I had never experienced and it taught me to look deeper into a person even if you are not compelled by what you see and hear. Thank you John for inspiring and teaching and to all the speakers including René who came all the way from South Africa to share about the Father's heart!! CMA is rich with passionate and compassionate men and women of God!

As usual Roger spearheaded an innovative means to raise a whole lot of money for Run for the Son. On Saturday, a fundraiser kicked off with the goal of raising \$5,000, which would result in the cutting off of ALL Yvon's long locks including his beard. It ended with over \$7,500 being raised as John Ogden pledged his beard and hair and Roger Wilson his hair and Jay Wilbur his goatee and hair much to the horror of their wives. We all had

a great time participating and enjoying the haircutting festivities. Yvon's long hair has been donated to wigs for cancer. Hats off to all of you or should I say, keep your hats on as your bald heads create too much glare ... LOL.

There were so many highlights; meaningful leadership messages from Ron Dyck and Bill Amundsen (President of the Battleford Light Brigade); a session of creative design led by Grace Loewen, and always the tangible presence of God in and through His people. All Spirit filled Believers are carriers of His presence and when we come together to worship the Great I Am and celebrate His Word Jesus Christ, we experience a tremendous outpouring of His presence. Why should this surprise us; yet God is so BIG when He shows up He overwhelms us.



The fellowship was something to be cherished as new acquaintances were made and old friendships renewed. I cherished my

time with two bikers who are not CMA members; namely Eldon and Tina Crosswell. They are good friends with my wife (and now me), and are ministers of the Lord through a bus ministry in Saskatoon called "Love Lives Here". They have an unparalleled passion for bikers and street people and they are truly Jesus's hands and feet and voice in Saskatoon. We love you both and you helped enrich the CMA rally by spreading your love and passion for Jesus to so many CMAers.

Thank you to Susan Derksen for being at the helm of the Goodies Store and for all your hours serv-

ing and organizing. Sheryl and I were the top spenders at one point; don't know if that is how the weekend ended. We do like our t-shirts LOL. It's so good to have you back Susan; you are greatly appreciated!

I would be amiss if I forgot to mention the kitchen serving staff at Providence Bible College. Their servant hearts were a blessing to us and their cooking skills were second to none. I had to cut back on my eating by Friday because everything was so delicious, I was consuming far too many calories ... LOL.

I'm sure I've left out some names but the Lord knows your work and you will be blessed in Heaven. Thanks again to James and Helene Rosso and Louis and Cindy Quasso and the Victory Riders for hosting this amazing event. I conclude with the words I heard from many; "the presence of God was wonderful" and "this was the best No Borders Rally ever."

## No Borders because ... "Together we Serve"

*By James Rosso, National Evangelist, Prairie Region*

No Borders 2016, at Providence College in Otterburne, Manitoba, has come and gone and only now can we sit back and reflect on the faithfulness of God and all that was accomplished during this outstanding event. If you missed it this year, I can only quote John Ogden Sr. when he said, "this was the best No Borders Rally I have ever attended." Our theme of "Together we Serve" I believe was not only appropriate to our calling within CMA, but was evident in so many aspects of this rally. We all know that for our chapters to be healthy there needs to be a balance of FELLOWSHIP, PRAYER, DISCIPLESHIP AND EVANGELISM and this balance was evident at our rally. From the Victory Riders Chapter of Southeastern Manitoba who hosted the event to the individual members who came with attitudes of giving rather than receiving. To the worship team who so passionately led us into the presence of our Lord and the deeply inspirational messages of all of our speakers we were truly blessed to be together.

We all know that an event such as this doesn't just happen by itself, but is an accumulation of efforts by numerous individuals who pray, plan and then proceed to serve so that others can receive from our Lord a refreshing touch that only He can deliver. For my wife, Helene and me, the event was truly a stretching and challenging endeavour, but with a willing team who came on board and gave their all, we felt truly blessed to Serve Together.

If I was to be asked to name a highlight of the rally, it would be hard to put a finger on it as there were so many highlights. For me the opportunity to connect with so many different folk from all over was amazing. To watch the members spending time fellowshiping with each other in the comfort of the foyer of the college was refreshing. What a wonderful facility that lent itself to just spending time with others. Our speakers had truly prepared their hearts and delivered such practical and passionate messages on servant hood and unity of purpose, each building on the other. It was

evident by the attentive and responsive attitudes of our members that God was ministering on a deep level to many. To some, the messages were a highlight and to others, the awesome worship teams leading, but perhaps to others I believe it could have been the shearing of the shepherds as both our Canadian and USA leadership sacrificed their hair and beards for Run for the Son ... raising over \$7,000. I was truly amazed at the quality of the food we had to eat at the college and someone mentioned to me that for them one of the highlights was the communal meals we had in the cafeteria together and how they were blessed to eat with different people every meal.

Saturday was indeed a highlight for many as we joined Teen Challenge Manitoba to participate in their Ride for Eternity. Their team came and served us a wonderful BBQ and we celebrated with them as some of their students gave testimonies of how God had delivered them from substance and alcohol abuse. This, along with bike

games organized by the Brandon CLR Chapter, brought in many visitors to the event and made for a lively afternoon. Since the closing of the event, I have continued to receive feedback from many by email, Facebook and phone calls.

The local newspaper reported on our event and the local Mennonite Museum texted me to tell me what a wonderful experience it was to host over 100 of our members who went, ate and toured the museum. To quote them "it was like having a party in our facility, it was a pleasure to serve you." The staff of the college where we held the event commented on how helpful and pleasant we all were and that they loved having us there.

Truly, 'Together We Serve' is at the heart of what we do and who we are. I especially would like to thank all who volunteered, served and participated in this momentous event; it is because of you that we can thank God for the blessings we received at No Borders 2016.

## Here I am. Send me.

*By Bruce and Barbie Salmonson  
Victory Riders, Morden, MB*

As Bruce and I ponder on the No Borders 2016, I cannot help but smile. No Borders ... CMA members from all over coming together, uniting as one body to serve God, to worship God our Father in Heaven. It did not matter from what Chapter one was in, or from what Region, or even from what country. This place, where like-minded people came together for five days, felt like home.

It is good to be home, good to go away, but always good to be home. I reflect on the happenings of these past days of having the pleasure of fellowship with old and new friends, not just others who share the passion of motorcycles, but Brothers and Sisters coming together and uniting in sharing the passion for Christ. What is home? It came to mind that home is wherever I am, where Bruce and I are. There is a peace in the fellowship of Brothers and Sisters in Christ. I found Bruce saying, "It's time to go home" at the end of each day. We were not laying our heads

down in our own home. This phrase seemed to spark something within. Was God using my husband to tell me to take that step forward in faith... "It's time to go home?"

As I listened to each person stand up and speak, encouraging each one to love God, be faithful to Him, I began to feel that tug, the tug of God, my Father, and our Father, to come back to Him. We were blessed by having the opportunity of being prayed over. The walls that I created began to crumble and fall down. God knew I had to get right again. Why did the "storm" take so long? Only God knows. I needed to be faithful and listen to God. God never left my side, never left my husband's side. We felt attacked physically, emotionally and spiritually. We were tired. When we cried out "Why?" to God, that voice answered calmly and lovingly, "Wait, sit and wait." It is uncanny that after talking about this with Bruce, that he too was hearing the same words. God had

plans for us, to obey. The most difficult thing to do is to wait. With many people praying, having patience with us, and waiting for “Bruce and Barbie” to come back, we are thankful, grateful, and humbly remain in service with God.

We are so blessed to spend time with others, whom we call friends, our family in Christ. We soon call where we are home. It’s amazing to walk along-side others who share our passion and are open to what God calls of them, to what God call us to do, and to what God calls me personally to do. I believe that God can call us as a couple to do things, and also God calls each one of us, personally, to step out in faith and follow what God has placed in front of us.

Of course there are always feelings of insecurity, questioning if this really is what our Father, God, wants, or calls us, myself, to do. That is our human factor. All that God wants is for each one of us to love Him, all else will follow. Stepping out in faith, having open minds to His prompting, His calling, His loving leadership, for each one of us to embrace.

God has so much love that He shares it with each of us. The blessings that God gives when His people believe in Him, love Him, and step in faith with Him, cannot be contained to one being. The love God flows through me, through my husband, through fellow believers, shines and that is what God wants. Be faithful. Be strong, Be willing to say to God as in Isaiah 6:8, “Here am I. Send me!” Claim God’s love and come home.



Victory Riders No Borders' Attendees



Alberta No Borders' Attendees



Atlantic's No Borders' Attendees