

Righteous Rides

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The Dash Board

- 3 vehicles are currently providing transportation for missionaries
- 8 vehicles donated since the inception of Righteous Rides
- 2 donated vehicles kept, 6 have been sold
- 100% of any donation goes directly to the purchase and maintenance of vehicles



The Filling Station

Please partner with us in praying for the following requests:

- Carla Baker's continued recovery from cancer.
- The Smith's safe travels back to France
- The Bakers' preparations for returning to Central Asia
- The Hankin's safe travels from the Middle East to the US. And safe travels for the Greens as they deliver their van to Minn.
- Wisdom for the Righteous Rides Board as they make decisions about this new ministry
- God to "steer" the next missionary family He would have us support in our direction.



The Bakers Prepare to Go Back to the Field

by Carla Baker

Early last fall, it was determined I had two types of breast cancer. After a second surgery, we knew that our entire family needed to come home from Central Asia. What we didn't know was how long for, where we would live, or what transportation God would provide. In one of our weekly e-mail's we asked for prayer for these needs. One of our dear friends, who serves with his family in Kenya, sent us an e-mail back telling us about Righteous Rides. God used Righteous Rides as an answer to one of our prayers, transportation!

God called us to relocate to Idaho. The van which was

provided for our use by Righteous Rides, allowed us to travel to Idaho in early January without the fear of breaking down on the road. It also gave us the space we needed to transport our plethora of luggage. But, best of all, the availability of this vehicle meant that we did not have to rush into the purchase of a vehicle at a time when our finances were already strapped because of my medical needs.

After a third successful surgery and a second check up we have been cleared to return to the field in September. As only our amazing God can do, He had



Drew & Carla Baker and family with the first Righteous Rides van in Idaho.

provided a miracle for our family! We're excited that God is allowing us to return to our friends in Central Asia to testify to the fact that our God is still a Miracle worker!

Righteous Rides' First Newsletter

This IS the first newsletter for Righteous Rides! How awesome to be a part of what God is doing around the world! By providing missionaries with vehicles to use while in the U.S. we are not only helping them but we are also involved in

the global effort of fulfilling the Great Commission, *accelerating the Gospel!*

Quite frankly we have been amazed at what God is doing. Henry Blackaby in his book "Experiencing God" talks about finding out where God is at work

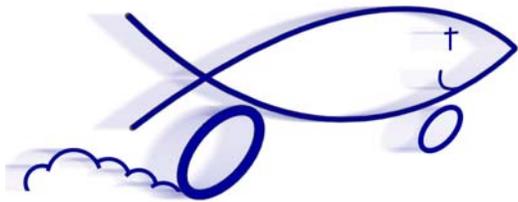
and joining Him. God is at work using Righteous Rides as a tool. We see it daily.

We want to thank so many of you for becoming a part of this ministry by donations of one kind or another. Please keep us in your prayers!

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Accelerating the Gospel

Our Mission: To further the spread of the gospel message of Jesus Christ by assisting evangelistic organizations in meeting their personal transportation needs.

Our Team: Righteous Rides is a team of auto enthusiasts donating their time, money, and expertise to ease the hassles often experienced by missionaries and mission organizations in acquiring and maintaining their vehicles. We invite you to join us by praying for Righteous Rides, giving financially, or vehicle donations.



Pictures on the Road from Lonnie & Debbie Smith and family

Winding up and Heading Out

Lonnie Smith writes,
“We are winding up - - our last week in the US - - we’ve just about been EVERYWHERE!! When people ask us what our home base is, we laugh and say “THE CAR”! No kidding - - she’s been great - - our “home away from home”. We can’t thank you enough for blessing us in this way. Lonnie says, “It has been a joy to have a dependable vehicle, and we’ve appreciated your servant attitudes - - all that has made the driving experience of our Home Assignment as worry free as possible”!

Jonathan and Heather Hankin will return to the U.S. in August for a 5-month home leave. They will be raising funds necessary to return to the field. On Sunday, July 29th, Heather’s dad, Harold Green, drove from Illinois to get the third van just recently purchased by Righteous Rides. The key’s to the van were handed-off at a missions service at Joy Bible Fellowship. Harold wrote in an email, “Our hearts are deeply grateful, to the Lord first, and then to you and your organization, for the ministry you are rendering for Jonathan & Heather and others in like situations.”



The newest Righteous Rides vehicle to be used by Jonathan & Heather Hankin