

10 Ways To Pray

For Our Persecuted
Family In Christ
From The Voice Of
The Martyrs Ministry*

- Pray that the persecuted believers will sense God's presence. **(Hebrews 13:5)**
- Pray that they will feel connected to the greater Body of Christ. **(1 Corinthians 1:3-5)**
- Pray that they will experience God's comfort when their family members are killed, injured or imprisoned for their witness. **(2 Corinthians 1:3-5)**
- Pray for their boldness to make Christ known. **(Philippians 1:14)**
- Pray that they will rejoice in suffering. **(Acts 5:41)**
- Pray that they will forgive and love their persecutors. **(Matthew 5:44)**
- Pray that their ministries' activities will remain undetected by authorities or others who wish to silence them. **(Acts 9:25)**
- Pray that they will be refreshed through God's Word and grow in their faith. **(Ephesians 6:17)**
- Pray that they will be strengthened through the prayers of fellow believers. **(Jude 20-25)**
- Pray that they will have more opportunities to share the gospel. **(Colossians 4:3)**

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ROAD to 100

Special Edition

Righteous Rides

Spring | Summer | Fall 2015

A Bout Of Sickness by Brian Schaadt

Our family recently went through a bout of sickness. It was a disease we had never heard of that gave fever, body aches, extreme sore throat, and itchy/sore spots all over our bodies. Maybe the most challenging thing for me during this time of sickness was the difficulty in reading God's Word and praying which, over the course of a few days, caused me to become discouraged, depressed and pretty carnal in my attitudes and thinking. One thing my wife commented on during that time was that, when contemplating serving on the foreign mission field, we never considered all the general health problems we would encounter. Like anything else though, the new sicknesses and allergies all become a common part of life.

During the worst days of that sickness, while lying in my bed "suffering," I was reminded of various members of the persecuted church that I have read or heard about in modern times. Many around the world, at that very same moment, were feeling much the same way as I. They have fever from illness and infection. They are aching and sore, inside and out, as a result of

beatings and torture. Their backs likely hurt from poor sleeping conditions. They are hungry and probably miss their favorite foods. They may not have access to God's written Word, and at times it may be difficult to pray.

My several days in bed seemed like a long time to a guy who likes to get things done. And yet I knew it would likely be over by the next week. Compare that to someone like Pastor Saeed Abedini, who has been incarcerated in an Iranian prison since 2012 for his Christian faith. This experience has spurred me on to compassion and prayer for him and others who are suffering for Christ right now around the world. ■ **Brian is a helicopter pilot serving in the Philippines.**

As a ministry, Righteous Rides has been blessed numerous times to provide transportation for the Schaadt family.



Brian, Katherine, Naomi, Joseph & Isaac
Serving with New Tribes Mission

As you read through this *Special Edition* newsletter you'll see that, as the Lord would have it, we have been transitioning and growing in an effort to provide missionaries with the transportation they need. With that, you are receiving news from spring, summer, and fall 2015, which will be followed by a return to quarterly newsletters.

Summit 2015

Being with others who are also passionate about supporting missionaries was a joy.

In February, representatives from eleven organizations that also serve missionaries by providing transportation during home assignment/furlough, came to Moscow Mills for a Transportation Summit. Nine different states were represented among the thirty participants. We learned much from each other as we shared ideas and challenges, green lighted about how we might work together and improve our services, and sought the Lord for wisdom and direction. Being with others who also are passionate about supporting missionaries was a joy, and we hope to continue building our relationship with these ministries and seeing how God could give us even more capability as we all seek to meet the transportation need of missionary families.

Banquet 2015



The Summit was immediately followed by our annual banquet. We heard an amazing testimony from James Gleaves serving with New Tribes Mission and Kim Kargbo from Women of Hope International. Kim challenged us to continue trusting the Lord for big things, like our goal of having 100 vans in our fleet by the end of this year. We were humbled and gave praise to the Lord for the number of people who braved the snowstorm to be with us. Donations from that evening exceeded \$17,000 dollars, which was immediately put to use to add vans to the fleet!

Thank you to the nearly 200 of you who braved the snowstorm to attend!

***NEW beginnings,
NEW opportunities,
NEW seasons...***

Office Manager Shawn Ohlms shares with the Righteous Rides team his opportunity for a new beginning...

"After seeking counsel, reading and praying, the Lord has made the decision abundantly clear, and I have accepted a full-time position with Northroad Community Church." ■ January 28, 2015



Executive Director to Righteous Rides, Wilf Brobbel is pictured with his wife, Hetty.

"We had always had a heart for missions of some type, and it became apparent that the Lord had been preparing me, through previous jobs, for this new opportunity. There was never a question as to where I was headed once I was offered a position with Righteous Rides." ■ March 2015

Ron, Dee and Abe Rearick, formerly serving in Papua New Guinea with Wycliffe...

"As we waited on God to guide us as to what our roles would look like while stateside, God began to clearly reveal to us that we would be entering a new season of ministry, a new beginning...God has called us to invest this next chapter of our lives with the ministry of the Righteous Rides organization." ■ September 2015



Edgemont VBS collected \$1,200 towards the purchase of a 4 post lift! PTU!!

Edgemont Bible Church invited Righteous Rides to share at their VBS. Our missionary mechanic Fred Tuggy shared a picture of what missionary transportation looked like for his family when they came to the U.S. from Venezuela for furlough.



The kids enjoyed seeing the tent on top of the bus which served as sleeping accommodations for Fred's parents at night. **"Each of us kids had a seat to ourselves on the bus,"** Fred shared.

■ July 2015

A Donated Vehicle Turned Miracle Find

"Yesterday, Fred took in the Pathfinder we donated to fix and clean up. He took out the seats and found my Dad's wedding ring with my Mom's name engraved inside. My Mom sized the ring after my dad died (2003) and wore it, but it was still too big and she lost it a few times; she then lost it for good back in 2005-06. Never in my wildest dreams did I think she lost it in our car. If we hadn't donated it, we would never know. Made me cry - God said you give something to me, so here's something for you, that ring has more personal value than anything. God is good all the time!!"

■ Note from Vehicle Donor



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Donations of all types, vehicles, campers, jet skis, motorcycles, etc., are one of the primary ways Righteous Rides funds the purchase of fleet vehicles. Twenty-six of these types of donations have been received so far this year!

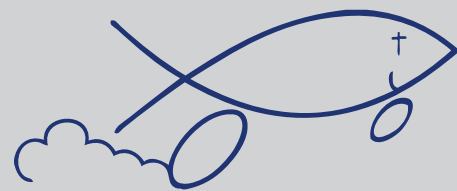
To donate, contact Wilf at info@righteousrides.org or call 636.366.9500.

Fun Info

- This year, Righteous Rides has provided 157 families with over 2 million miles of transportation, for a total of over 8.5 million miles of transportation since inception.
- More than 125 children's goodie bags and more than 100 personal care/snack bags were prepared for missionary families this summer!
- It is a privilege to pray with every missionary family that comes through the Righteous Rides shop!
- 85 vehicles currently providing missionary transportation! Pray for 100 vehicles by spring 2016!

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