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National Newsletter
January 2007 Edition

“Forever In the Wind”



Joe “Papa Joe” Walters
SOG Grand Rapids
1950 - 2006



David “Captain America” Hay
SOG Myrtle Beach
1951 - 2006

Letter from Abe, National President

Thank you Myrtle Beach, SC chapter! Another job well done!

As always the chapter brothers and sisters do a wonderful job blessing us with a great time of fellowship. This time I was able to take Brenda (wife) with me and enjoy some R&R with her. Rhyno Joe and family greeted us on Wednesday afternoon. Thursday of course was Thanksgiving Day and we were given an invitation to join the rest of the SOG family for dinner and fellowship.

We were able to meet with the new members and prospects, also caught up with T-Rex, Veronica, & Carley as they were coming in to Myrtle Beach for the weekend, and got them to stop by and join us.

The council meeting went well Saturday morning.

Our brother Captain dropped in and spoke to us with great restoration. Those of you that were there felt his heart's cry. A sadder note was later in the afternoon Captain had an accident with his scooter (electric chair) in the church parking lot coming off the sidewalk, tipped over and broke his hip. His wife Teresa got him in the car and took him to the hospital where he passed away later in the evening. Larry D stayed over through the week to help with any needs while I returned the following weekend for the memorial service. We mourn for our brother but at the same time rejoice for his homecoming.

We have limited pictures of Captain so we ask if you have anything please send it to Pills or myself.

The '07 Spring meeting will be held in Michigan and the '07 Fall meeting in Anniston, Alabama. I'm looking forward to a great time in the Lord.

WISDOM

Wisdom is something all Christians strive for. We want to do the correct thing and do it well, but when things come before us and we don't know how to handle it, we ask God for the understanding and wisdom to get us through the situation.

Ephesians 5:15-17 “**Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.**”

Asking God what to do is one of the best advantages we have. The word of God comes as a guidebook for a daily lives.

1 Kings 3:9 “**So give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong.**”

We can lose sight of what God has for us if we are not careful. It can sneak up on you and then you wonder what happen.

Proverbs 3:19-21 and 26 says:

**“By wisdom the LORD laid the earth’s foundations,
by understanding he set the heavens in place;**

**20 by his knowledge the deeps were divided,
and the clouds let drop the dew.**

**21 My son, preserve sound judgment and discernment,
do not let them out of your sight;**

**26 for the LORD will be your confidence
and will keep your foot from being snared.**

Stay encouraged. Your joy is with in. Use good judgment and wisdom with all things. God bless you and hope to see you this spring.

Abe Osborne

Wanted: Servant

As was discussed at the last National meet we need to fill the position of National Administrative Coordinator. Lori “Noah’s Wife” Sokalsky has graciously filled this position but it is only appropriate one of our members take on this vital role necessary for the efficient and effective operation of our club. This is a voluntary position to be filled by a SOG patch holder with at least two years seniority in the club. Qualifications include:

- Must have computer skills, web master/site experience, and a willingness to learn various software being used.
- Must have experience with editing software and publication of newsletter and willingness to learn software being used for SOG production.
- Must be able to provide back up support and volunteer hours to the Newsletter editor and Webmaster as needed in case of an emergency, absence or vacancy or either position.
- Must have understanding of media, marketing, fund-raising, organization, administration, and organizational development.
- Understand marketing concepts such as “name recognition”, logo recognition, color schemes and logo placements, relating to consistency.
- Understanding of trademark and copyright laws and nonprofit management.
- Understanding of administration of faith based business.

A detailed listing of the responsibilities associated with this position is available through most chapter presidents or can be obtained from the National office by contacting Noah. As can be seen by the qualifications, this is a critical position for our club. If you think you may be interested, a heart to serve your brothers and sisters in Christ and a willingness to learn this job, please contact Abe, Larry D or Noah. Please keep this position in your prayers, that God would move the right person into the role, that the person will step forward soon and that our club will be blessed even more as we continue in His service.

Lori has done a fantastic job and we give her our thanks. Now its time for another to step up and take on the challenge, is that person perhaps you?

Chapter News

The Wedding of SAUL and KPO, [Terry and Sarah]

Was held on the 4th of November 2006 at Underwood Baptist Free church in Llanmartin, Nr Newport South Wales, UK, and it was with great pleasure for me to accept the position of best man at their wedding. Many people attended including Terry and Sarah's neighbors and the congregation as well. The members of the SOG chapter arrived from different parts of the country from Thursday onwards and were kindly accommodated by friends and neighbors, throughout the weekend.

The bride looked truly stunning as she walked down the aisle on the arm of her father but the groom was visibly shaking at my side, until he got a glimpse of the bride. Pastor Derek lead his very first Christian biker service, the whole atmosphere had the Holy Spirit amongst us all. We all came together in prayer and song and people of all ages and backgrounds rejoiced in our Lord.

After the ceremony the bride and groom rode off on the back of a V Max trike to the reception. Every one contributed towards the beautiful spread in the local hall.

The grace was lead by Pastor Derek before the speeches and the music was provided by a member of the Sons of God.

We all rounded a good weekend off by attending Mr. and Mrs. T Phillips [Saul & Kpo] Church service on Sunday morning. A huge thank-you to everyone who made all this possible for Terry and Sarah.

We wish them both, all the best for the future.

B.B... SOG UK



Can We Really Make a Difference?

“And the word of the LORD came unto Jonah the second time, saying, Arise, go unto Nineveh, that great city, and preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee. So Jonah arose, and went unto Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceeding great city of three days' journey. And Jonah began to enter into the city a day's journey, and he cried, and said, Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown. So the people of Nineveh believed God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even to the least of them. For word came unto the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, and he laid his robe from him, and covered him with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. And he caused it to be proclaimed and published through Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying, Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste any thing: let them not feed, nor drink water: But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily unto God: yea, let them turn every one from his evil way, and from the violence that is in their hands. Who can tell if God will turn and repent, and turn away from his fierce anger, that we perish not? And God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God repented of the evil, that he had said that he would do unto them; and he did it not.” Jonah 3:1-10

Dwight L. Moody once said, *“I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something. And what I can do, I ought to do, and by the Grace of God I will do it.”*

Just as Jonah by obeying God made a difference, we also, if we follow God's Word, can make a difference. If we just make excuses, and are afraid, to tell others about what God has done for us and can do the same for them, we'll get nowhere. God has given us, His great Salvation through Jesus.

Jesus said, *“Freely ye have received, freely give.”*

He's told us to share His word with others. If we can give His word and turn anyone to Jesus, we're doing what Jesus has told us to do. If we will minister to others, we can make a difference. Show God's love, and be God's Light, to a lost and dying world. Many times, we think we could never make a difference in anything or anybody's life, but the truth is, WE CAN!

Love Ya,
Uncle Sam
President
SOG Anniston

Praise God for Two-Way Blessings!

The Philly SOG chapter holds Bible studies each month in two of Philadelphia's prisons. What a blessing it is to share the love of Jesus with these inmates. We often experience "two-way blessings" as the guys share with us their praise and prayer requests. One of the inmates was transferred to a state facility and regularly writes us. Here is a sample from one of his letters (used with permission).

"Grace be unto you and peace be multiplied from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior and conquering King, who shed His precious blood so that we could be redeemed from the hands of the enemy and given new life in Him. It is so wonderful to know Jesus and even better to be known of Him and to be called His friend. I just can't understand who wouldn't serve a God like ours, for He is awesome in all His works. He keeps doing great things for us and He deserves to be praised. There is none like Him. Many try to imitate Him but none can duplicate Him for He is God all by Himself and can't nobody beat God at being God. This is the day that the Lord has made and we will rejoice and be glad in it because no matter the

circumstances or the situations, God is still God and He is still on the throne and He causes all things to work for our good. I pray that God blesses you as you have blessed me. Since our last written conversation, God has blessed me a great deal and serving Him with gladness comes easier and easier. I love what God is doing for me and in me, and He ain't through yet. I miss you all so very much and I look forward to the day where we all will be together again giving God the glory and giving the devil fits. Be encouraged and continue to stand up for Jesus. Take care and remember that we walk by faith and not by sight - see you soon!!

Love always,
a servant of the Lord Jesus Christ"

Think about it. Here we are free to come and go as we please and some of us still don't get it. Jesus is all we need. He is the One in control, and He loves us! Sometimes it takes an inmate like this one to wake us up to realize we have all we need in Jesus. Praise God for these two-way blessings!

Catfish and Angelfish
SOG Philly

Hey SOG Family!

The November National was pretty cool, T-Rex, Carley and I enjoyed running the store and getting to serve you'all as well as appreciated getting to chat with more members than usual. We hope to see you all at the next National and just a note, the purple and gray support shirts make great gifts to other members and supporters (sometimes we could wear something other than black!). Hope to c-u.

On another note, many of us are involved in other ministry that touches lives in the name of God. T-Rex and I believe God has used SOG to steady us in Christian fellowship giving us a way to grow in our faith, serve and have fun. This carries on into other ministry/business we do. With the love and support of my husband I founded a recovery group some years back. Recovering 15+ years, I have

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been blessed to have married a man that, as the head of our household, follows Jesus and keeps life simple and stable for our family. Recovery-thru-Christ - 12 Step Meetings began for drug, alcohol and mental issues Feb. of 2002. We began recording our meetings in 2003 and in 2004, we began filming them. We have grown into United-Televised-Recovery with three other entities and seven TV programs that aim to get across all lines man comes up with. One way or another we will reach out to the lost or uncaring to extend God's love.

This year so far we are scheduling filming in a state prison in Pennsylvania and in halfway houses and churches in Tennessee, Washington DC, Georgia, Alabama, Florida, Michigan and Pennsylvania. Our website has hopes to expand to streamline our DVD's so anyone can view a recovery meeting as well as continue to expand on televised recovery in Bucks PA and when we are financially able we plan to televise to other cities. A lot of the people who are filmed attend private 12 step programs. We do not replace recovery programs. We offer an opportunity for any recovering person to help any person addicted by sharing their story or problems on film. We are not anonymous and do not focus on any private program. Our mission is United to go the extra mile using multimedia as a vehicle to access anyone struggling regardless of belief. We are trusting God will continue to do His job, and pray that we will continue without embarrassment to reveal our wrongs publicly so that the person hung up might be reached and the ending result be as simple as one of God's children starting to find their way home. SOG has always played a behind the scene role encouraging dedication, helping setup, security, speaking at times on film and helping spiritually with love, prayer and fellowship. In fact I thank God for you guys so much, cause I don't think I would ever laugh and have true cheer, life can be so serious and draining that I forget how to just enjoy the process many times. Serving God is living beyond our wildest dreams. So check out the website United12step.org, it should have a beginning late January. Please know we welcome anyone recovering with problems and solutions to share and take part in our scheduled

filings - including you. Also we are hoping to film two episodes Thursday before the Spring National at a halfway house in Michigan with "Santa". So if you are in town early why not come join us?

As I stated earlier many SOG members are involved in other ministries as well, this is because when we follow Jesus and it affects all areas of our being. In both Mt. 4: 19 and Mk. 1: 17 Jesus tells us to follow Him and He will make us fishers of men. So I pray, God will continue to bless you all and keep on fishing brothers and sisters...keep on fishing.

Love and respect in Christ we serve
T-Rex and Bikerchick

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Are you an active member, the kind that would be missed or are you just content that your name is on the list?

Do you attend the rides and mingle with the flock or do you stay at home to criticize and knock?

Do you take an active part to help the club along or are you simply satisfied to just belong?

Do you push the cause along and make things really tick or just leave the work to just a few and talk about the clique?

Think this over friend, you know right from wrong, are you an active member or do you just belong?

Think and pray about your focus for this club and its ministry.

**Spring National Meeting
and Fellowship Weekend
Howell, Michigan
Memorial Weekend
May 25-27, 2007**

**Water's Edge Camp and Conference Center
4171 Woodland Dr
Howell MI 48855**

This is a beautiful camp offering lots of family oriented services including:

- A hotel on site with 19 rooms renting for \$60 per night
- Camper sites, some fully equipped with hookups at \$20 per night
- Rustic tent camping with available Shower House
- 6 large cabins capable of sleeping 20 people in each at \$50 per night per cabin (close to Shower House)
- An AmeriHost within 5 miles of the campsite with 20 rooms reserved (call for prices)

There is also a lake with a beach, swimming and waterslide to enjoy. A large "chow hall", tabernacle, meeting area and pavilion will also be available for our use.

Schedule of events and maps with directions will be provided in next newsletter or be available at website. For information contact:

**Lodging - Wheels 248 437-4293
Other Info - Weebles 734 6243003
Ranbo 616 667-2126**

Note: Smoking is only allowed in designated areas on this campground

So, what are you looking to do this new year?

In 2006 we had the pleasure in meeting with three clubs in our area. This opened whole new opportunities for us in ministry. We hope to share the Love of God in a practical way, by being there for them in the good times as well as times of crisis.

We also have a good rapport with the staff and Chaplains at Madison and North Central Correctional Institutions. We have seen lives changed and men transformed by the power of God. With the leading of the Holy Spirit we plan to increase our mission to include Children's Ministry and recovery groups.

Columbus, Ohio has many opportunities to minister to Bikers. Easyrider Bike Show, Easyrider Rodeo and many smaller events are held here each year. Prayer is a vital part of any ministry and we need yours. In 2007 we pray that the Lord will, as Jabez prayed, "increase our territory." If God brings you to it, He will bring you through it. In His service

Lightfoot
Vice President
SOG Columbus

At the end of the month we have bro' Reaper getting his full patch, also bros Saul, Fagin & Ronseal getting their prospect. We also have two new hang arounds.

As you can see we are growing, the guys are busy with prison and hospital visits. Pauline, my wife, and I are busy doing our degree course to become lay preachers.

Looking forward too the spring meet it will be great to hook up with you all again, till then take care.

Love and blessings.

BB
President
SOG UK

SOG Northern IN send blessings to all our Brothers everywhere.

There are so many events here in our neck of the woods and as much as we would like to hit them all we can't, so we are trusting God to guide us as to where He wants us. There are swap meets here in Elkhart County and in Grand rapids and Kalamazoo before the riding season we will likely attend. We will do some of the rides the local groups put on and we are looking forward to the Men's Fellowship Weekend in Ohio. And then there is the Spring National in Michigan. Oh and Fowlerville's Easy Rider Rodeo is another fun one for us.

This riding season will be different since we lost Papa Joe from the Grand Rapids chapter to brain cancer in Oct. Papa was a man who loved Jesus and loved as Jesus loved. This was true to the end, his concern was for other people before himself. Papa knew where he was going and he wanted as many friends and family to meet him there when their time comes. Papa is truly a Son of God now. SFFS

About the same time, Preacher from Northern In. was hit on his bike and broke his leg in several places. He has had 2 operations and is awaiting word on them as to whether the bones are healing. Preacher is stuck at home and would love to hear from any of the brothers. His ph. is 317-373-3426 if your heart leads you to call.

Love
Rag
President
SOG Northern IN

Greetings in the Holy name of Jesus Christ our Lord!

Iowa chapter has been visiting Fort Dodge Correctional Facility in Fort Dodge, Iowa the third Saturday of each month for about a year now. We have a bible study with anywhere from 4 to 24 inmates there. Our Chapter all agrees it is just as much a blessing to us as it is to the men there!

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We have been doing the Bike Blessing for ABATE of Iowa District 16 the last three years in conjunction with their spring Motorcycle Awareness Ride in Waterloo, Iowa. Last year they had a couple hundred bikes attend.

Two years ago we had the opportunity to work with Silver Eagle Harley Davidson of Waterloo in regards to auctioning off a number of fine crafted items made by inmates from Anomosa State prison. The proceeds went to Angel Tree (children of inmates).

We have also given the Bike Blessings at Silver Eagle Harley Davidson events. We officiated a fellow bikers funeral this past year by request of our brother "Hugger".

We have attended the Loess Hills Rally near Council Bluffs and I attended the Freedom Rally in Algona.

Our member, Pitbull from Council Bluffs organized a biker outreach with his church along with a ride. Our chapter gave the bike blessing and helped with the ride.

With all this said, we hope to much more of the same this coming year in our efforts to serve Christ.

Members of our chapter have also been on numerous Patriot Guard Rides honoring our fallen military hero's! We hope not to be doing too many more of these though.

God willing we will attend the Spring Nationals in Michigan. Alien and I had a fantastic time last year at Spring Nationals in D.C.! Thanks for all the hospitality - I think about all the brothers and sisters we met on a regular basis including our Brothers on the other side of the pond!

God willing (and Nationals agreement) we would like to host a National meet here in the near future. God Bless each and everyone of you! God Bless and God Speed!

Dewey
President
SOG Iowa Chapter

How do you say good-bye?

It isn't always an easy thing to do. Sometimes we have to say it with a realization that we are saying it for the last time to someone near to our heart...and it hurts. This past year we have all had to say good-bye to people but as a club, we have also had to say good-bye to two of our brothers, Joe "Papa Joe" Walters and David "Captain America" Hay.

Both men hold special places in each of our hearts. Some of us knew both men, some only one or the other, unfortunately some didn't get to know either. But the truth is they held a common bond with all of us regardless of degree of knowledge, they were our brothers in a club that is all about brotherhood and a desire to share the possibility of eternal brotherhood with others. Both men had very different walks, struggles, battles and victories in life, but both men also received the prize they worked for and looked forward to because of Jesus' promises. One man died of brain cancer that took him in just two months. The other died of injuries and complications of a disease that racked his body over several years. But again, both men knew where they were going and in the end, faced death as just another doorway.

Both Papa Joe and Captain are home with the Lord our God now. We will miss them, some more than others, but we will see them again one day. Jesus promised us that and we can trust to that promise, He died on a cross to prove and provide for it.

A brother once told me that he tries to never say good-bye anymore to his Christian friends. Instead he simply says, "I'll see you later." To him that's what Jesus' promise and a life lived well deserved. To those who don't believe or haven't accepted Jesus, he saw it as a sad and so permanent parting knowing there was no "good" to it.

I miss my brother, he was my dear friend. I know some of you miss them too. Next time you have to part from someone you care deeply about, think, are you saying "good-bye" or should you be saying "see you later"? It may help the hurt knowing that for some, it is and will be a happy realization.

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