

Wisconsin Motorcycle Memorial

"Dedicated in memory of all our fallen Brothers and Sisters"

Another great example of the brother's dedication to something he believes in. Owen Bergwin of Sister Bay, WI had an idea in 2001 to erect a monument that is dedicated to fallen brothers and sisters. After a ton of leg work, a site was found to erect the monument (Wisconsin Biker Memorial) in Bailey Harbor, WI. As town politics go, the idea was shot down after some citizens complained about the approved idea. So now you have an idea, some funds raised and no where to go with them! We all know how the brotherhood will work together when needed. The Door Devils MC called Owen up and told him they were going to donate the land needed for the monument.

Since Oct. 7th, the land has been cleared voluntarily by Owen Bergwin, Don Melvin, Jeff Reinhard, Randy Albert, Michael Bergwin and Rol Grabenkort as well as the Door Devils MC. With the donations running low the Wisconsin memorial council wanted to get the word out that the project is going full steam ahead.

The memorials final site is at 4758 Mathey Rd Sturgeon Bay, Town of Serastopol will be a relaxing and enjoyable place, where we as bikers can go to reminisce about the bikers we have lost and the memories that surround them. The project is 30% done, but to finish, the memorial needs your help. A donation of 100 dollars will get you a 9 x 12 brick that will be placed in the walkway. The brick will be inscribed with a name, date of birth, date of passing (if applicable), and the h o m e t o w n . Otherwise, donations will be accepted in the form of money



or materials. So if you have lost a brother/sister or would just like to help out contact Owen at 920-845-2085 or cell: 920-421-1353 or send a donation to:

Wisconsin Motorcycle Memorial
1936 Wildwood Rd.
Sister Bay, WI 54234.

PS. Keep an eye out for future fund raisers for this important monument in the calendar of events.



THE GIFT

Remember when? When I was a kid, I looked forward to getting gifts for my birthday, and for Christmas. I don't exactly know when it happened, but somewhere along the line, I began to take those gifts for granted. I would think, "My birthday's coming up, so I wonder what I'm going to get this year?" Or, "I can hardly wait to see all the stuff I'm going to get for Christmas." I also remember those occasions when grandma might say, "Have you been a good boy this year, so Santa can bring you A neat gift?" I grew up with that idea of deserving to get a gift because it was my birthday, or because I had been good. I was also threatened with the thought that if I didn't do good, or measure up in some way, that I would forfeit my right to get the gift.

Fast forward to the present. I got a phone call the other day, informing me that I had won a free gift. All I had to do was to pay a \$99 registration charge, and I would receive my gift certificate for a free vacation in the mail. As I was walking through the mall awhile back, I stopped in front of the department store where I could get a free gift if I would just sign up for their new credit card. I see free offers and great gifts offered all the time on the internet, if I will just complete a survey, or send in a doodad with my registration fee. How about the message I get from the religious powers that be? If I get my hair cut and put on a suit and tie, I will be acceptable to God. If I give enough money in the offering, or attend enough services, or do enough good works, God will give me gifts - blessings, heaven when I die, fewer problems, etc.

It's no wonder that people are all screwed up about how to live that ideal life. We get so many mixed messages about what we are supposed to do, that we don't even know what a REAL gift is. We live in a performance oriented world, and we have no idea what really matters anymore. What if I told you that God isn't interested in OUR performance? What if I said that God's gift to us is not conditioned on what we do or don't do? Could you possibly believe that? That isn't the message conveyed by most religious people. Even those everyday people we know and love, who occupy the pews on Sunday, are confused about what God wants from us. The question of performance was answered long ago, when the overwhelming conclusion was that we cannot perform up to God's expectations, because of sin. The Apostle Paul wrote, "The wages paid for sin is death; but the GIFT of God is Eternal Life through Jesus Christ the Lord." (Romans 6:23) God is not interested in giving us what we have earned, but in giving us a free gift. Jesus died on the cross and rose from the grave, earning new life for us. This is a free gift to us, paid for by the Son of God, Jesus. If we will believe what God says about this, and trust in Jesus Christ, we will receive the gift without consideration of what we have or have not done. We don't have to be good, or pay a fee, or register to receive the gift of God. We don't deserve it, nor have we earned it, but we can receive this awesome gift. Just trust in Jesus.

Pastor Sam

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