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Greetings in the name of Jesus,

A new racing season is upon us and all of us at Racing with Jesus Ministries are excited about what the Lord has in store for us. We have seen doors open in ways that indicate His Spirit is moving. Opportunities have been made available to us that only God could arrange and we thank Him for those. We also thank you for your dedication and commitment to partner with us in spreading the Good News of the gospel.

With those opportunities comes a responsibility. We need to honor what God has provided. We need to trust Him and exercise faith as we step out beyond our own comfort zones. We are looking to you, our supporters, for prayer and support that will enable us to respond with faith to God's direction.

The young season has seen us travel to two Connecticut tracks, two North Carolina tracks and one in South Carolina. The road ahead leads to Delaware, Iowa, Pennsylvania and Connecticut. In addition to our duties with the NASCAR Divisions we serve we have several weddings scheduled for team members. We are honored to officiate these special events for those we serve.

We also have new faces stepping up to take leadership roles at local tracks across the country. Gary Dionne heads up our West coast division and is excited about the prospects to spread the Gospel. Chuck McNeil is adding new Chaplains in the Midwest as that area of the country looks to come on board with us.

The Pacific Northwest is a new territory for us and we have an opportunity to get something started up there with the Rock Church. I met with the pastor at PRI in Orlando and we have plans to get together soon and plant the seeds for race ministry there.

In the Northeast Phil Satkowski will take his late father's place at Stafford Motor Speedway and be joined by Kyle Moreau. They have already opened the season with the Sizzler and were encouraged by the support they received from the teams. They are looking forward to expanding the ministry there this year.

Pray that God would provide the additional resources that will be necessary to take this ministry where He is leading us. We are excited as we look ahead. We are able to see God's plan unfold before us. Pray that we would honor God in all that we do. Pray that we have the trust and faith to go and minister.





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I have been reading recently in the Gospel of Luke, specifically the calling of the first disciples.

Jesus borrowed Peter's boat and used it for a pulpit. Peter was tired from a night of fishing that yielded no fish and wanted to just clean up and go home. After Jesus finished he told Peter to put out into deep water. Peter submitted to Jesus even though he knew this was not the way to catch fish. When they hauled in the nets there was so many fish they needed help pulling it in. Peter responded by leaving everything behind and followed Christ.

Luke 5:8-11, When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will catch men." So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

Jesus wasn't looking for perfection, just someone willing, willing to leave it all behind and follow him. Peter said yes. Peter left the biggest catch he ever had and followed Christ.

Depending on Jesus is a theme that runs through the Gospels. We learn that Jesus came not only to show us the way but to help us understand that He knows what we need and can provide it. Pray that we will continue to increase in our trust of Jesus and His provision.

Again, Thank you for your continued support, both in prayer and financially. It is your willingness to give that makes this all possible. Please do not hesitate to share with us your prayer concerns. We are always available to pray with you and to help you through the challenges life brings our way.

Thank You and God Bless,

Rev. Don Rivers

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