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Motown Mission To Hurricane Milton
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to the streets of Detroit, Jacksonville & Daytona

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On September/22/2024 Meteorologists first began talking about a new Hurricane system that was brewing in the Gulf of Mexico and as it grew it was named Hurricane Helene. By September/26 /2024 this massive Category 4 Hurricane hit Florida's "Big Bend" and drenched the Gulf Coast States, Georgia, South Carolina and absolutely devastated areas in North Western North Carolina and North Eastern Tennessee.

I began to see pictures on my phone showing the power outages in a night time photo of a wedge-shaped dark area from Florida and Georgia all the way up into North Carolina, Tennessee.

1,000 YEAR'S WORTH? I saw a post of a graph that showed the amount of water that fell around the Asheville - Chimney Rock North Carolina area which showed the rain fall averages and this graph showed the rain fall that fell on Sept/30/2024 and dropped a reported 1,000 years' worth of rainfall in one day, and from September 26th when Hurricane Helene made land fall until it ended, it left a 500 - mile path of devastation from Florida's "Big Bend" up to North Carolins and Tennessee heart breaking and absolutely UNREAL!

Another photo was of a Roller Coaster partially submerged in water at the Six Flags Amusement Park in Atlanta Georgia and yet another photo that shocked me was the side-by-side satellite photos of Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Helene, in comparison to Hurricane Helene, old Hurricane Katrina was small! The span of the clouds from Hurricane Helene covered the entire South Eastern United States and drifted North reaching us in the Detroit Michigan area with just a mild rain.



HUMANITARIAN AID- Soon every News Channel, News Paper and the Internet was ablaze with pictures and stories of the absolute devastation around Asheville N.C. and up in around the Greenville Tennessee areas. Thousands of images lit up the phone, computer and T.V. screens in America and beyond.

Our hearts were broken and like most folks I wanted to do something and I was thrilled to see the tons of supplies that people were starting to gather but the obstacles were and still are huge in delivering these goods to people because of roads, bridges and entire cities being completely washed away.

I immediately wanted to throw on my “MIGHTY MOUSE CAPE” and jump in my van and tow my trailer to anywhere down South while singing “HERE I COME TO SAVE THE DAY!” But Miss Lisa reminded me that I had a special meeting coming up, I was scheduled to be the surprise Guest Speaker for my Childhood friend Mike Goforth’s surprise 30th Anniversary service as the Pastor at the Calvary Baptist Church in Caseville Michigan.

Plus, we were coming up on our annual Street Preaching trip down to BIKETOBERFEST 2024 in Daytona Beach Florida... But I wanted to help some way somehow but where?

PASTOR RYAN GUENTHER AND THE VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH HARTLAND MICHIGAN- I can’t really say that it was either Providential of God or just accidental that I saw an announcement that our dear friend Ryan Guenther was holding a special meeting with Evangelist Randy Keener at the Victory Baptist Church in Hartland, Michigan, On Wednesday Oct/2/2024.



Brother Keener is an Evangelist out of Brother Andrew Sluder's Church the Bible Baptist Church in Asheville N.C.

That night Brother Randy Keener gave a terrifying and heart breaking report about what all had happened in the Asheville North Carolina area which included a phone call where he had spoke to a Police Chief confirming the fact that 40 peoples bodies had been pulled out of one pond and that there were in fact multiple dead bodies hanging from trees.

The entire congregation that night sat stunned as he went on to explain that people had looted area stores and gas stations of what ever there was to eat and had pumped gasoline out to just try to survive. We often talk about things being like "Third World Conditions" but it's even more mind numbing to think that our own Countrymen were trapped in such conditions and how Money did not mean anything there now because there was nowhere to spend anything because there was no electricity and everything that could be bought or eaten was already gone and who could blame them?

On Saturday night October/3/2024- I saw a video by Evangelist D.R. Harrison and he said that his hometown of Chuckey Tennessee near Greenville Tennessee had been basically destroyed, that video made me think about all of our friends in Sweetwater Tennessee at the Lee's Chaple Baptist Church where Brother Jay Cruggs is Pastor. So, I called Brother Dale Dotson the Director of Hold The Rope Ministry to see how they were. It turns out that the Sweetwater Tennessee area is about 123 miles from the Chuckey Tennessee area which is just East of Knoxville and that the Sweetwater area was not destroyed like the Northeastern corner of Tennessee had been, THANK GOD!

PASTOR MIKE GOFFORTH'S 30th ANNIVERSARY AS
THE PASTOR OF CALVARY BAPTIST CASEVILLE-



Sat Oct/5/2024 – Sun Oct/6/2024- Miss Lisa and I drove up to Caseville Michigan where I was to be the Surprise guest speaker for Sunday's 30th Anniversary Celebration for Brother Mike and Sister Charisse Goforth. It was a beautiful drive up, and I was able to do a little bit of fishing on Saturday and the Lakeside Cabin that we stayed in was amazing.

Sunday Morning I woke up about 4:00 a.m. and turned on my phone and one of the first things that I saw was that after all the devastation from Florida up through North Carolina and Tennessee was there was yet another Hurricane that was churning up in the Gulf of Mexico again. I thought OH NO and the wheels started turning in my mind about "How can we help if we can help?" if it hits because we were heading to Jacksonville and Daytona to preach at Biketoberfest anyway.

I had already planned on renting a U-HAUL van and trailer and had a one-day clothing drive set up at the V.F.W. Post 3323 on Wayne Road and Avondale in Westland Michigan, but as soon as I heard about the upcoming Hurricane that would be called Hurricane Milton it changed my focus from just clothing, feeding and preaching to Homeless folks in Jacksonville and Daytona Florida to now we have to do BIGGER THINGS including Hurricane relief.

The Anniversary Celebration with Brother Mike and Sister Charisee Goforth and the Calvary Baptist Church in Caseville Michigan was great. Brother Mike and I have been good friends since we were little boys growing up at the Stone Baptist Church in Auburn Heights which later became the Rochester Hills Baptist Church which is such a GREAT Church which I Thank God for everyday!

Brother Mike and I have so many stories of going "Fox Hunting" with my Dad which was just listening to my Dad's and his friend's Walker Fox Hounds chasing and barking at Foxes at night. Plus Brother Mike and I spent lots of time together as teens and into Bible College at Dr. Tom Malone's Midwestern Baptist Bible College in Pontiac Michigan also. Brother Mike and his lovely wife Charisee and family have been faithful and deserved the Love and honor given that day. I Love and I am very Thankful for Brother Mike and family!

Monday Oct/7/2024- I had one day to do a whole bunch of promotion and I hit it hard plus I went back to U-HAUL and asked for a bigger Van and trailer planning for the larger outreach not just to the Homeless and needy families in our #OPERATION SOUTHERN SOULS Outreach but to the Hurricane Victims also.

MIDDLE MAN- Before we left a long time Pastor friend of mine, Brother Dan Haifley contacted me because he had seen all the internet posting I had done about Asheville North Carolina, Brother Dan thought I was in North Carolina. He wanted to send a huge trailer full of supplies to the Hurricane relief efforts. I was able to trade numbers between Pastor Dan Haifley and my dear friend Dale Dotson who directs his Hold The Rope Ministry out of the Lee's Chaple Baptist Church in Sweetwater Tennessee where Brother Jay Scruggs is Pastor. One good thing about making so much noise for the folks that just got hit by Hurricane Helene is that it draws attention to the issue and I was able to get two of the best men I know together so I was able to help more Hurricane Victims again by simply being a Middle Man, Thank God!

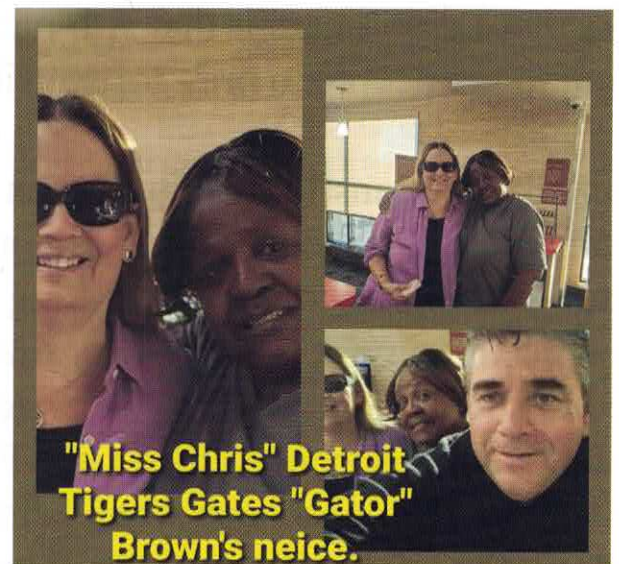


Tues Oct/8/2024- We dropped off our van "Snow Ball" and our trailer "Curty" at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3323, then picked up the U-HAUL Van and Trailer and went back to the V.F.W. Post's parking lot and started to unload about ½ a trailer load of clothing from our "Curty" trailer into the U-HAUL trailer. Thankfully Brother Dan Watson came over and helped me unload and reload these trailers. And all-day long people were showing up to drop off donations of clothing, food, hygiene items and cleaning supplies. THANK YOU ALL!



Thurs Oct/10/2024- While we ate Breakfast at our Hotel we met an amazing worker there "Miss Chriss" who turned out to be the niece of Detroit Tiger player Gates "GATOR" Brown who he and Willie Horton charged the field to protect the Tiger's Pitcher Mark "The Bird" Fydrich back on Friday night July/17/1976 which after that game was the very first night that I ever went to Detroit's Cass Corridor with Bill Eckert and Danny Cowen 48 years ago now, which is where our Ministry started.

We drove down to Fayetteville North Carolina that day and we spent the night so that Miss Lisa could see her sister Pam and niece Autumn the next day. We were SHOCKED that our drive through North Carolina went so smoothly, I was expecting to see massive Hurricane damage, but the damage was to the west of where we drove through.



THE DETRACTORS AND THE “OFFENDED”- I had been posting and asking folks to PRAY FOR THE HURRICANE VICTIMS and watching what Brother Andrew Sluder and his Church were doing, plus the non-stop News Stations, Online and radio broadcasts about what our fellow Countrymen have been going through. Honestly, I got very “Burned Out” with “Hurricane Overload” before we even left which made me feel even more sorry for the Hurricane Victims because they had to really be burned out with the nightmare they were living in. The “Conspiracies” started about Weather Manipulation, Black Rock and Lithium mining, the failures of the Biden Harris Administration and FEMA all of this in the midst of the 2024 Election.



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I checked out this Gents info and No Joke his site has a meme where a Preacher was talking about "Using the Lord's money wisely." so I asked him "IF" his Pastor was talking about my Ministry individually and asked "IF" his Pastor even knew of our Ministry. But by morning he had removed his comment.

We have had TONS of criticism about our Ministry because I've always been so wild and so is our work, but I'm a bit shocked that anyone would think that spending money on Hurricane Victims is an unwise use of "The Lord's Money" or that using a picture asking people to PRAY is wrong? Like one of Murphy's Law says, "NO GOOD DEED SHALL GO UNPUNISHED!"

Fri Oct/11/2024- Miss Lisa was with her sister Pam and niece Autumn all day while I stayed back at the Hotel and worked on our September online Newsletter.

Sat Oct/12/2024- We left Fayetteville and drove down to St. Mary's Georgia near the Florida Stateline.

Sun Oct/13/2024- Sister Corrine Street had contacted us that she had clothing items for us so we went to the Church she attends the Camden Baptist Church where Brother Edward Dixon is Pastor. I have wanted to go to that Church because Pastor Dixon is Evangelist Jerad Dixon's Dad and Brother Dixon's daughters grew up singing with Brother Jerad and they are AMAZING! The first actual Hurricane Helene damage that we saw was the Camden Baptist Churches sign which had been bent severely hundreds of miles from Asheville N.C.

The singing was great, the preaching was great and after service we ate Sonny's BBQ with Sister Corrine Street and we got the clothing from her there.

HOME AWAY FROM HOME- I told Miss Lisa and Sister Corrine that the service was so good at Camden Baptist that I wish that we had stayed but we had already checked out of our Hotel and loaded the van. We headed to the Bible Believers Baptist Church where Brother David Peacock is Pastor. And the service was seriously AMAZING there too and I told Lisa that I was glad now that we did come down.

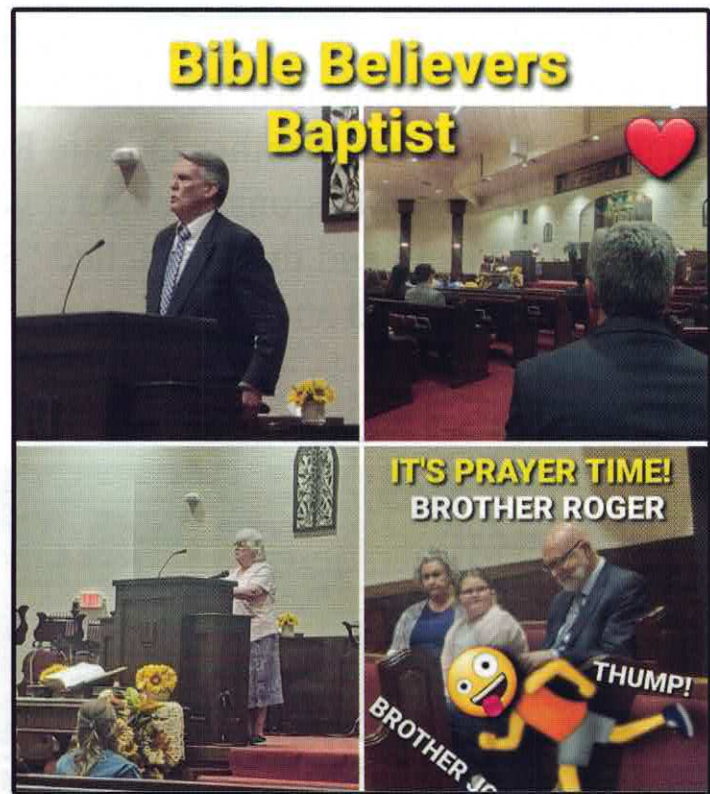


CANCELLATION- Miss Lisa got word that our Hotel room near Daytona was not going to be available for another day due to damage caused by Hurricane Milton, it turns out that tidal surge and a 2 X 4 board went through a wall allowing water into the upper rooms also. Being impaled by a 2 X 4 that could go through a wall could make a mess of you FO- SHO!

Brother Russell Broussard asked me if we were going to preach on the Streets and feed there in Jacksonville Florida, I said Yes and I think that the whole going to service at Bible Believers Baptist and our Hotel being flooded was providential, we stayed in Jacksonville Beach that night after service.

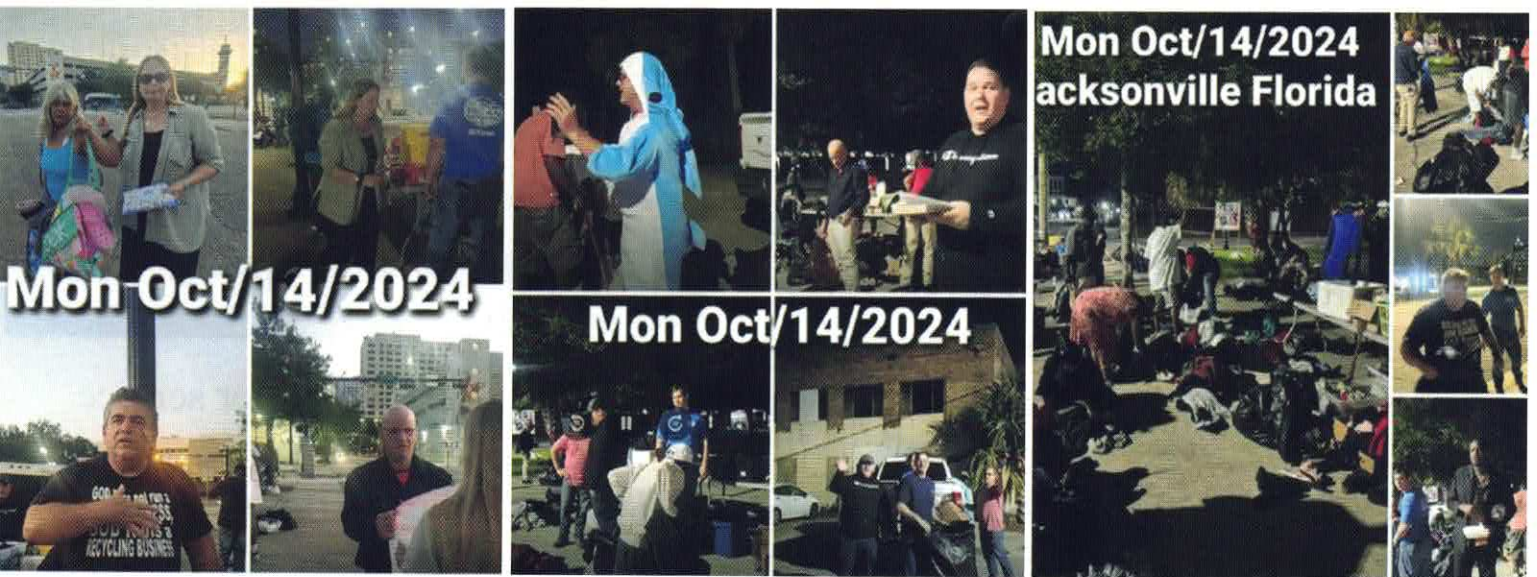
Mon Oct/14/2024- "Y'ALL ARE LIKE ANGELS!" Late in the afternoon we prepped the Hot Dogs and headed toward downtown Jacksonville, we had to stop for supplies at a Walgreens and got our Hearts broken. We saw one Homeless guy panhandling on the corner and another older man who was laying on the sidewalk and I had to fight back tears. Right then right there I knew all the work was worth it!

After feeding the guy on the sidewalk we fed the guy on the side of the road and he said to us, "Y'all are like Angels", seriously that helps with knowing that you are doing the right thing!



**Mon Oct/14/2024
Jacksonville Florida**

JACKSONVILLE- We met the 5 men from Bible Believers Baptist Church Brother Russell Broussard, Brother Billy Morris, Brother Joe Baiano, Brother Jonathan Brown, and Brother Donnie Roberts unloaded part of the trailer near one of the Rescue Missions, we had a good crew of folks show up as the Sun was setting. I sang and then preached "SHAMEY SHAMEY" there as Miss Lisa and the men fed and helped people with clothing items.



We went to a second spot and it was "JUMPIN", we unloaded most of the trailer and fed and clothed an even larger crowd. Brother Russell Broussard preached in a Baby Shark outfit on Jonah, then I croaked out a raspy second song, then Brother Joe Biano preached. Miss Lisa ran to the van 3/4ths of the way through the night because of the extreme Rat population nearby. And NO JOKE a woman named Mocca and a guy called "Bud Man" actually stayed outside in the rain when Hurricane Milton blew through. The 5 guys from Bible Believers Baptist were great helpers!

It was a GREAT NIGHT and the kind that makes you so glad that you have the privilege to help others.

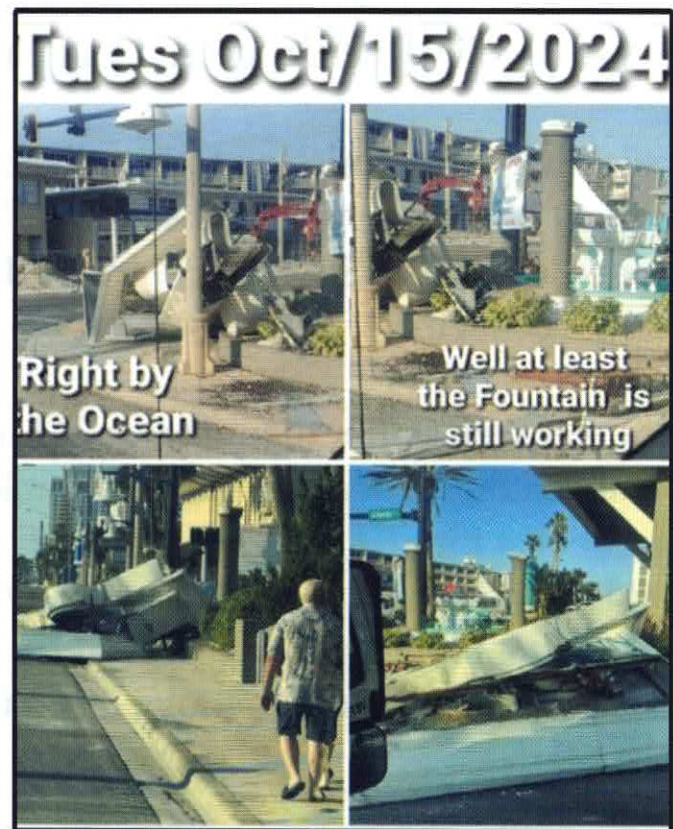
Tues Oct/15/2024- We left Jacksonville early and went down to the Daytona Beach area and upon our arrival it was easy to see that Hurricane Milton had messed the area up pretty badly, not as bad as Hurricane Ian had back in September of 2022 but there was clear damage from Ormond Beach through Daytona Beach down to Ponce Inlet at the Southern end of the long thin coastal Island.

Miss Lisa and I drove around looking at the damage in the area and most of the nearby houses had all their debris laying by the roads, many of the Hotels stair cases that go down to the Beach were damaged or total washed away, the decorative Palm Trees in the median along A-1-A by the Ocean were bent or totally up rooted and knocked down it was just MESSED UP!

Several Hotels were damaged and could not take any customers during BIKETOBERFEST 2024 which draws about 120,000 to 150,000 Bikers annually.

One was the beautiful Board Walk Inn and Suites at the corner of A-1-A and International Speedway Drive or 92. The entire beautiful porch and the front of that Hotel was knocked down by Hurricane Milton and it crashed onto the sidewalks and into both streets on that corner. IRONICALLY as we drove by and took pictures of the devastation there was a beautiful fountain that was not damaged and was still working and the water was still flowing. Kind of a metaphor for the whole resilient "FLORIDA STRONG" thing.

The Makai Beach Lodge Hotel in Ormond Beach has been kind of a notable 'Biker Hotel' during both the annual Bike Weeks in March and Biketoberfest in October.



I talked to two different Gals who were at the Makai Hotel because we parked our Van trailer in their lot across the Street that usually has hundreds of Motor Cycles, Trucks and trailers there but this year there were only about 5 vehicles parked in their lot including our U-HAUL Van and trailer.

The second Gal I talked to was named Lisa, she told me that she had stayed there at the Makai Hotel for the 14 years during the different Bike Weeks and Biketoberfests, and that she got a job there in March after moving to the area. "I just sit here at the desk and cry!" She told me because of all the great times and memories she had. Then she told me that The Makai was built back in 1962 and it had survived every single Hurricane until Hurricane Milton. But this year most of the roofing, tar paper and 3-inch insulation was torn off of the top and hurled into the parking lot and pieces of the insulation was blown across the 5 lane A-1-A into the lot where I had parked the van and trailer.

I asked her for permission to Preach standing in the lighted covered driveway late at night and she smiled and said "Yes" and told me she thought that would be a great idea. IT WAS CREEPY LOOKING at night which played into the whole Halloween Vibe of Biketoberfest.

Another weird after thought was if I had preached there, was this gal Lisa thinking it might be a bit of a funeral service for that old Hotel??? I was born on March/16/1961 so I am just a bit older than that Hotel, I hope they renovate it because I love that stuff, we will see.

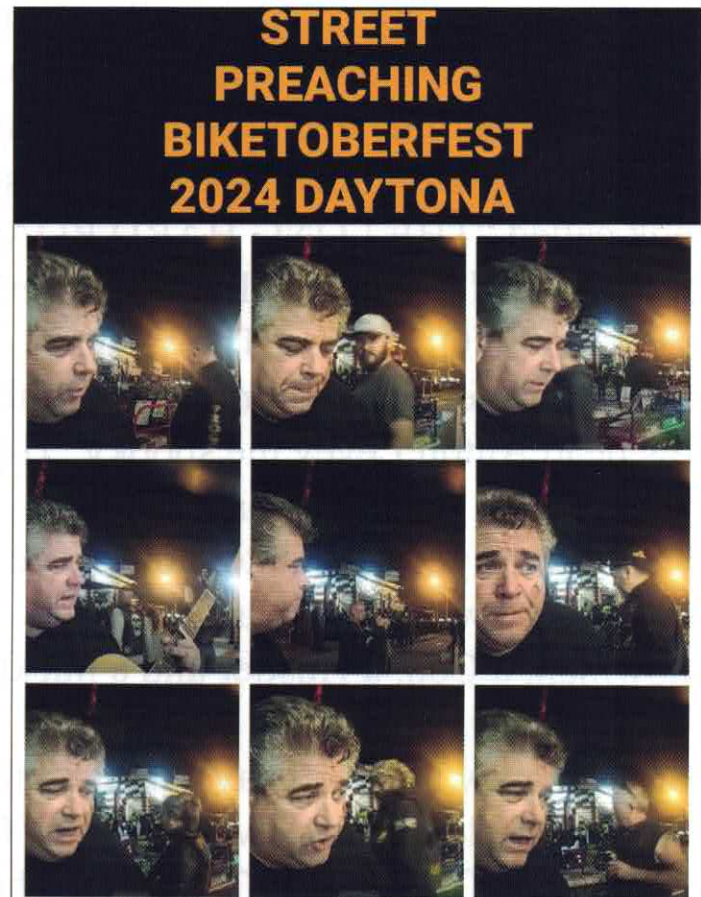
That first night we just rested because between weekend preaching meeting, then a promo day, followed by a one-day Clothing drive then attending two Church's services, Street feeding, clothing and Street Preaching twice plus the whole three day 1,086 mile long trip, we were just a "Bit tired".



BIKETOBERFEST 2024 HALLOWEENIE SEASON STREET PREACHING!
Weds Oct/16/2024- That night I went out Solo and preached "The Potters Field" at the corner of Fern and Main Street, it was a GREAT night. The BIKETOBERFEST 2024 event did not start until the next night but we try show up early because it gets so busy and loud on Main Street you can barely move, preach, hear and sometimes the speakers in the Bikes Saddle bags are so loud you can't even think!

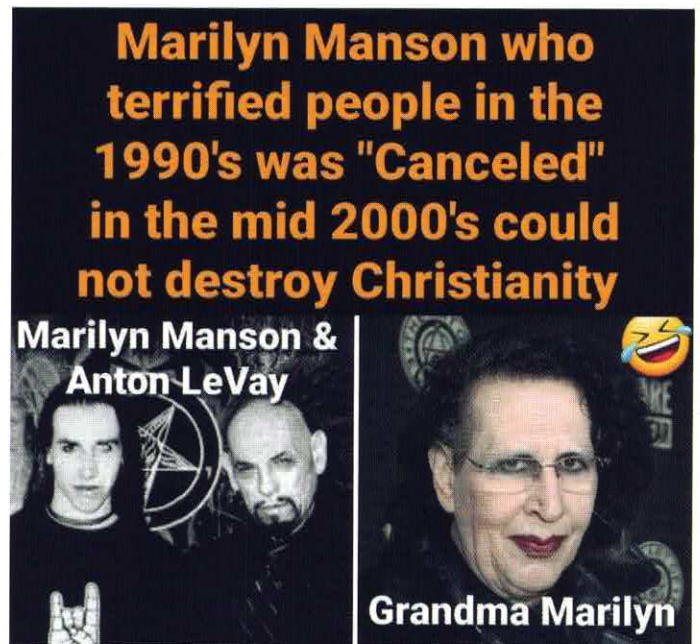
Thurs Oct/17/2024- I went out and sang and preached solo again on the corner of N. Coates and Main Street and which is a corner I have always wanted to preach on. I befriended a couple of guys with the Tri-Cycle Bikes which they cart people around in. I preached on "Sift Thee As Wheat" another GREAT night, Man I loved it!

Fri Oct/18/2024- MAN I BLEW IT! Miss Lisa joined me and our Mission on that night was to go over on the main land to "THE HILL" and feed and preach to the Homeless in a Lot over there. Unfortunately, there was not a single person there that night. So, we doubled back to the Main Street Parking area but they would not let us park there because it was "BIKES ONLY" parking. I was frustrated by two blown attempts in a row and we drove several miles away before it hit me that we had seen a Walgreens that had recently closed down at the corner of Sea Breeze and A-1-A but I didn't go back and I'm still kicking my own rear end now for that missed opportunity, UGH!



at Oct/19/2024- SHOULD SUCH A MAN AS I FLEE? I went out solo again that night and parked in the lot by the closed Walgreens, I preached "Because They knew Him" on A-1-A just off of Sea Breeze Boulevard. I no more than sat up to preach as a misty rain started soaking my message and Bible pages. I unlatched my guitar case and sliced the top side of my right arm with one of the latches.

IRONICALLY That same day I got in an online conversation about HALLOWEEN with a young man about "Halloweenie". It just bugs the Dog out of me that so many bold brave Baptist men start acting like scared little girls because a few notable "Satanists" have supposedly said "this or that" which the statements can't be documented anyway. And years ago the I read Marilyn Manson's book called "THE LONG HARD ROAD OUT OF HELL", in which in a chapter titled "We're Off To See The Wizard" Manson wrote about his friendship with the now dead Anton Levey the spooky "High Priest" of the Church of Satan. In that chapter Marilyn Manson told everyone that Anton Levy was a fraud, a Vaudeville showman, a Con, a Hustler and a huckster.



For years now I have always thought about the unsaved World and Halloween, "SO YOU WANNA BE SCARED HERE LET ME HELP YOU OUT WITH THAT!". "They" meaning both the unsaved World and the "Satanists" are the ones that should be scared to death not me or Believers. So, I just GO OFF on this whole thing in my "HALLOWEENIE SEASON PREACHING". Seriously with all the Drug Dealers, Serial Killers, Gang Bangers, Bikers etc. that I preach to all the time and then folks want me to be "SKEERD" because of a bunch of old dead ancient Druids and an old dead Con Man that likes to play dress up and scare kids and Christians, PFT! I'm going to "Run at the Guns" and invade their turf and tell them what THEY need to be "SKEERD" of.

And yes, I know all about the witchcraft and Animal, Human and Baby sacrifice that goes on during Halloween night amongst the Hard Core “Satanists” but those same things reportedly happens in Hollywood, the Music industry hangouts and places like Epstein’s Island all the time.

Ephesians 6:12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

Well the same night I had the online discussion with the young man I had my I WILL FEAR NO EVIL Street Preaching Tee Shirt on and after I sliced my arm I thought I hope I don’t bleed all over my guitar because I was not trying to make it look like a stinking KISS Concert and it was not until later that night when I watched my own Live Stream video that I realized that I had my own Blood all over the white letters on my Street Preaching Tee Shirt. I have lots of my old videos online where I preached “Halloweenie” messages on “Vampires In The Bible” and most of the pagan tribes in both the new and old testament

practiced Blood drinking, Cannibalism and Human and Animal sacrifice and we know that it says in Matthew 24:37 As it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be,” so I always tell people FIGHT BACK!

Folks say “Well the Satanists are going to mock Christians who practice Halloween.” O.K. well MOCK BACK! Tell the “Satanists & Halloweeners what the Bible says and give them something to R-E-A-L-L-Y be scared about! This whole BIKETOBERFEST thing is a Biker mixture of the German Beer Bash festival of Oktoberfest and Halloween so I just figure take advantage of this huge opportunity to PREACH THE DEVIL out a bunch of little Halloweenie.....

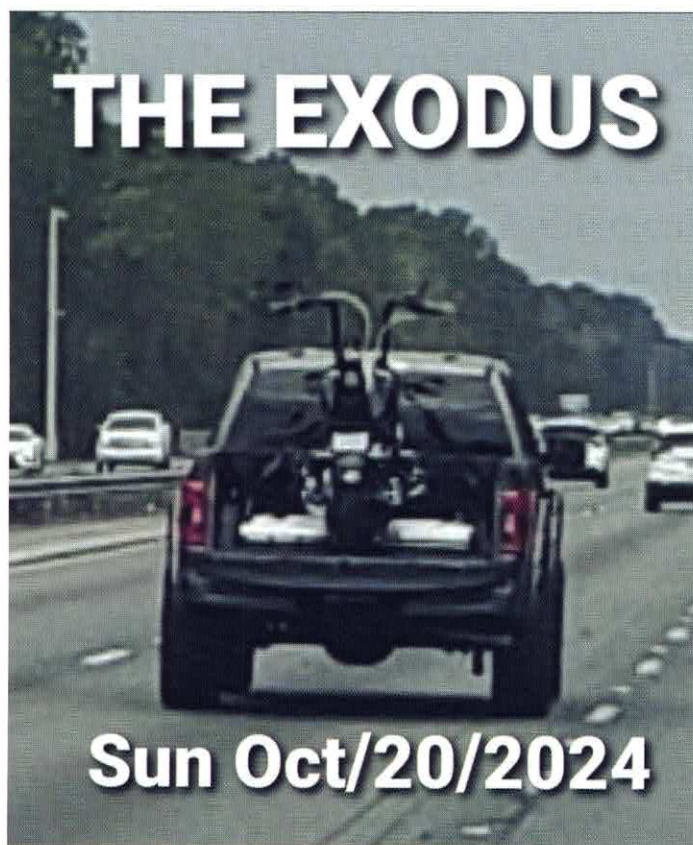


.Halloweenie “Devil worshippers” and “Satanists”. Moral of the story “DON’T
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fter the service Miss Lisa and I went back down to down town Jacksonville and
e were absolutely S-H-O-C-K-E-D! There were hundreds of people sitting in
cant lots all around the area where we had preached at back on Monday night
ct/14/ 2024. I’M NOT JOKING when I say hundreds of people. I would say
mewhere between 300 and 500 people in groups all over “Standing, Sitting and
aying in line” like the Gatlin Brothers old song Midnight Choir says. These were
ot all “Rescue Mission folks” and in a heartbeat I realized we finally found a
unch of “Hurricane Victims” who were mixed in with the Homeless Street people
d it’s weird to think how quickly these massive storms had turned multiplied
ousands of people into “HOMELESS” people.



The unthinkable damage of Hurricane Helene that swept through Florida up to North Carolina and Tennessee compounded with Hurricane Milton whose damage was spread all over with numerous tornados breaking out all over the State of Florida.



I had been feeling a bit bummed out that we had not seen or were able to help many “Hurricane Victims” which in fact we already had! They were just mixed in with the Homeless Street People. And now we were delivering about a quarter of that left over U-HAUL trailer load of Clothing, Shoes, Canned goods and more to the Trinity Mission where so many people were sitting waiting for the State, City, Federal Government or anyone to help them. Well, we did! And I am talking about the Summer Clothing that our Ministry had left over as well as the donations everyone who delivered to our one-day clothing drive and Sister Corrine Streets and a things from folks from the Bible Believers Baptist Church as well.

And as I had said I was a hot sweaty nasty mess after I finished unloading our trailer to the helpers that took our little Detroit Street Ministry’s stuff and put it into a Con Ex box, I’m glad I had my “Larry The Cable Guy Goes To The Ghetto” camo britches, black street preaching shirt and high top tennis shoes on and that I did not put my sweaty self into a “Cute Suit”... YUCK!

I had nicknamed our Biketoberfest and Hurricane Run “#OPERATION MOTOWN MISSION TO HURRICANE MILTON.” A bit of a GOOFY title but so very fitting!

We had lunch later that Sunday afternoon then we went back to the Bible Believers Baptist Church where they had a Communion Service which was like no other Communion service I’d ever been to. Between the singing, the comments made it just made the entire congregation very THANKFUL for what the Lord Jesus Christ had done for us. THANKFUL was really big in my mind because that day I realized more than ever before in a heartbeat everything you own

...and every person you know and love can be swept away and it makes you think how grateful we should be for every single thing the Lord has allowed us to have.

OPERATION MOTOWN MISSION TO HURRICANE MILTON WAS A GREAT SUCCESS! And I was amazed how quickly we were able to upsize our U-HAUL rental van and trailer, then to promote and hold a one-day clothing donation and finish filling the trailer and had all kinds of food donations for the Streets down in Jacksonville.

DEVIL WINDS- The Taino Caribe Indian tribe had a “god” they called “Hurican” from which we get the origins of the modern word Hurricane. Plus the Spanish Explorers took the Mayan word Huracan which was an evil pagan deity of wind, storm and fire and the Spanish gave us the word we use Hurricane. The Florida Seminole Indians said the Hurricane “devil winds” were too strong to withstand and the best thing to do was to try to flee.

While we were staying at our Hotel in the Daytona area I met an older couple from Kalamazoo Michigan who Snowbird in Florida, they told me their Condominium had been destroyed by Hurricane Milton, and that their Son and Daughter in Law’s modular house was swept away around Brandon Florida. I also met other people from both Louisiana and Mississippi who were staying in our Hotel all the way over to the Daytona area. That just tells you how broad the paths of destruction were.

It's kind of Crazy how much our little Detroit Street Ministry has been affected by these Florida Hurricanes. Back in October of 1999 the first Hurricane Irene blew up past the Florida’s coast. Almost by accident Miss Lisa and I left Pastor Tom Johnston’s Church in Lower Alabama and ended up both in a Hurricane and Biketoberfest at the same time. We saw a few older Bikers riding with in a few feet of a big Semi truck in a driving rain. One Vietnam Veteran Biker was wearing a black trash bag as a rain coat and had a long white ponytail that was spinning around in the wind like an airplane’s propeller. I said to Miss Lisa, “NOW THAT’S GUTS!” I went out and passed out tracts to this Biker Crowd for the first time and absolutely fell in love with that whole Tough, Gutsy, Macho crowd.

I said to Miss Lisa “Guys and Gal’s that are this tough deserve a witness!” And a huge number of the Biker crew are Veterans which is another reason I love these Bikers.

FOR EFFORT- Well, every time we go to preach and pass out tracts Biker Rallies I “GRADE” myself and after the past few years between me having COVID-19 in 2022 and then Community Acquired Pneumonia in 2023 I just could not put the same amount of physical effort out that I have done in past decades.

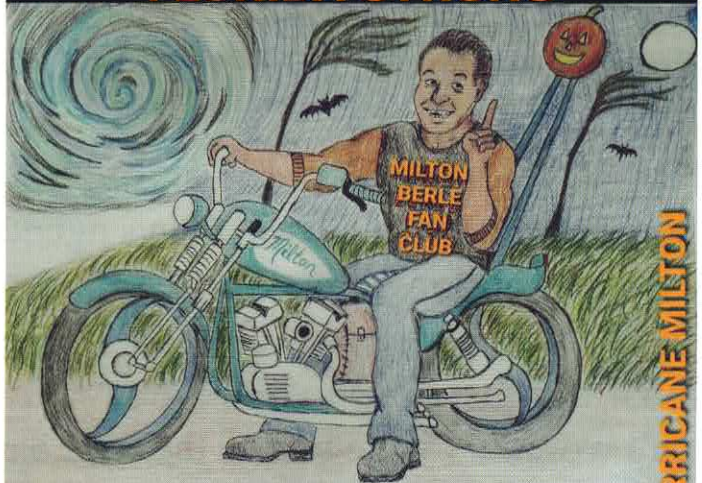
But this year was AMAZING between seeing the Hurricanes, our One Day Clothing and Supply Drive, Renting a Van and trailer, the trip down, an all-day “Office Day” where I was able to do finish an online letter and more, going to Camden Baptist Church where Brother Edward Dixson is Pastor, going to the Bible Believers Baptist Church for 3 services in Jacksonville Florida where Brother Peacock is our Pastor, another one of the best nights ever on the Streets of Jacksonville, with 5 men from Brother Peacock’s Church.

Seeing Daytona looking pretty messed up, then Street Preaching 4 more times solo during a 3- day Biketoberfest activity and then finishing off with the biggest delivery, “Drop off” of the remaining goods to a Mission that was feeding and helping HUNDREDS of people many who were literally “HURRICANE VICTIMS” was the “Cherry on the top” of this whole “# MOTOWN MISSION TO HURRICANE MILTON MISSION”.

BIKETOBERFEST 2024 TOTALS GLORY!!!

- 3 Times/3 men preached in Jacksonville
- 2 Feeding & Clothing in Jacksonville
- 4 Nights Brother Joe preached 3 nights solo
- 3 Church Services attended
- 1 Final Huge Clothing Delivery in Jacksonville

FLORIDA STRONG



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Kyle Joe Hicks
Oct/21-23/2024
"Brother Joe"

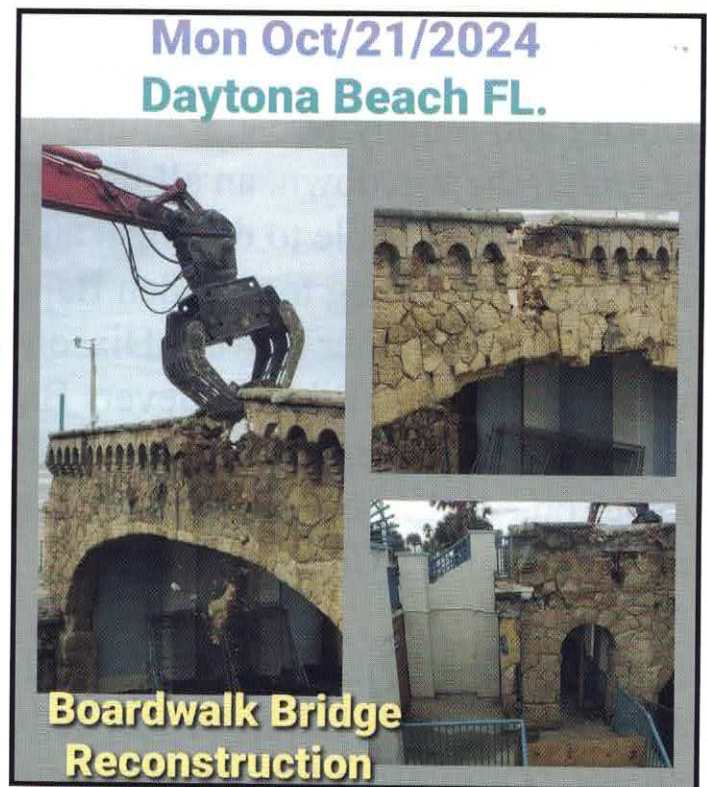
HURRICANE MILTON

We stayed in the Daytona area from Monday October/21/ 2024- Weds October/23/2024 both relaxing and resting and I worked on taxes and drew a picture for the whole BIKETOBERFEST 2024, Miss Lisa and I conspired on who is the most famous person named MILTON we could think of and we both thought of the comedian Milton Berle known as "Mr. T.V." back in the 1950's. I kept seeing the swirling Hurricane emblem that the Weather Station and others use and I mixed the theme of Milton Berle on a Chopper with Hurricane emblem wheels, and a Hurricane background. I do not mean to "mock" anyone who has suffered under Hurricane Milton but rather hopefully put a smile on people's face in the midst of all that mess, I've got to hand it to the Floridians and their "Florida Strong" thing because we have had two basement floods up in Michigan and both of them were absolutely miserable and turned our lives upside down!

BOARDWALK BRIDGE- Oct/21/2024-

I sent a video up to Detroit News agencies of the demolition of the World-Famous Main Street Pier Boardwalk foot bridge which was just SAD to me. We saw several more workers by the bridge the next day and it turns out that the Bridge was being rebuilt and it was the decorative side bricks that were being replaced with more "Cochina" stone which is a sedimentary stone made of both Conch Shells and other smaller shells that the Spanish used in building Fort Saint Augustine and an even earlier structure a worker told me about down in New Smyrna Beach. I was told by a

Boardwalk Business owner that the Main Street Foot Bridge was built back in 1958, But it turns out that there is conflicting information that says that both the Main Street Foot Bridge, the Clock Tower and the rehabbed "Daughters of the American Revolution Daytona Band Shell" were built back in 1936 as part of President F.D. Roosevelt's Works Progress Administration, designed in 1934 by architect Alan J. McDonough.



That poor 88-year-old foot bridge has survived multiple Hurricanes and the sides have been washed away until the side facing the Atlantic Ocean was being propped up by 4 X 4's and plywood and chunks had been washed away and fallen. But seriously THANK GOD they told me they are restoring the side bricks back to the original design... I LOVE that old architecture!

The whole time we were the Daytona area there were strong East to West winds that kept the tide in against the tide walls and the water was a blackish green churning with seaweed, limbs and God only knows what else. We went fishing one time in the Halifax River but that water was so rough and nasty I think the fish got up and walked out!

On Wednesday the winds finally changed and were blowing strong North to South and Miss Lisa and I finally went for a walk on the beach just before dark and Lisa said that everything smelled like rotting fish, I could not smell anything but the thoughts of all of the death and decay that had been washed out in the Oceans from Hurricane Helene hit me in my "Feels" thinking how devastating all this has been.

I gave myself a solid A for what all I did, and "IF" I had thought about the empty Walgreens parking lot earlier and preached that night and I really had planned on preaching in the covered drive way up the road at the Mikai Hotel but I preached to the Bikers every night but one and after the Bikers left, I was just DONE and I think my enthusiasm went out on the back of one of those Bikes! But "IF" I had preached those other 2 nights I would have given myself an A+.

On Thursday Oct/21/2024- Miss Lisa and I left the Daytona Beach area, finally there were barely any winds and everything by our Hotel and Florida was back to looking like "The Sunshine State" again and if you did not see all the devastation and ongoing clean up, you would have never known there had even been a problem. We left and started our 3 day trip home. I wanted to drive the North Carolina way home and not go through the City of Valdosta Georgia near the Florida Stateline but as we traveled, I thought that we might go up and see our friends Dale, Lisa and Mikey Dotson and Pastor Jay Scruggs.

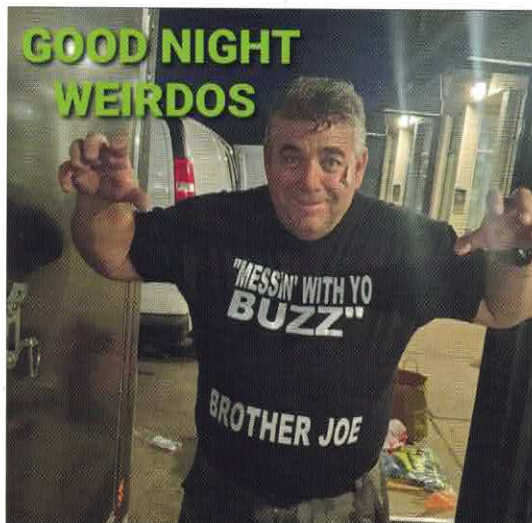
(We did not due to my inability to sleep some nights)

As we drove out of Florida into South Georgia near Valdosta we could see something very big had hit that area bad, like something much bigger than Godzilla had stomped his way through there. I was all "Hurricaned Out" again by then and it made me feel so very sorry for the folks that were hit by Hurricane Helene and yet very thankful that we were able to just DO SOMETHING by donating to Brother Andrew Sluder's Church, playing "Middleman" between Pastor Dan Haifley and his Church and Brother Dale Dotson and his Hold the Rope Ministry, and for the nights out on the Street in Jacksonville, and for delivering all the rest to the Trinity Rescue Mission there also, thus helping people from both Hurricanes.

THANK YOU to all of our supporting Churches, Pastors, friends, businesses, to the V.F.W. Post 3323 in Westland Michigan and everyone who gave donations and helped us with the expense of this U-HAUL Van and trailer rental for #OPERATION MOTOWN MISSION TO HURRICANE MILTON... GLORY GOD WHAT A BLAST!

And of course, I got to street preach 4 times on the Streets and to our beloved Bikers at the three-day event that was called BIKETOBERFEST 2024!

Love Y'all for the Streets Brother Joe!



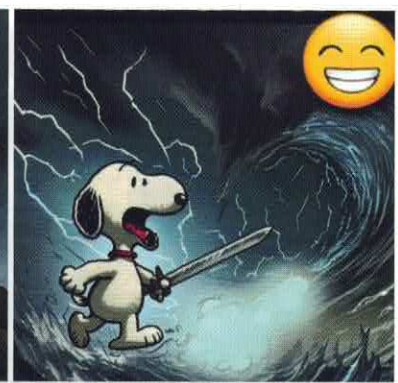
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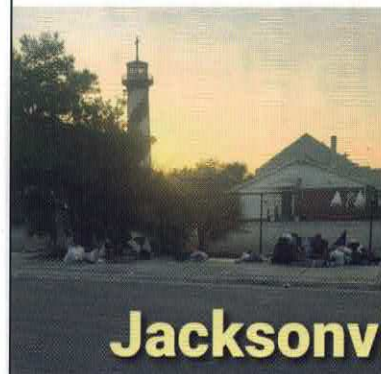
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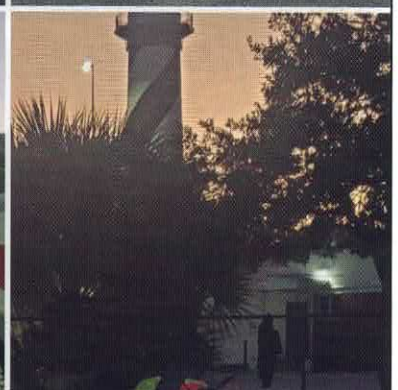


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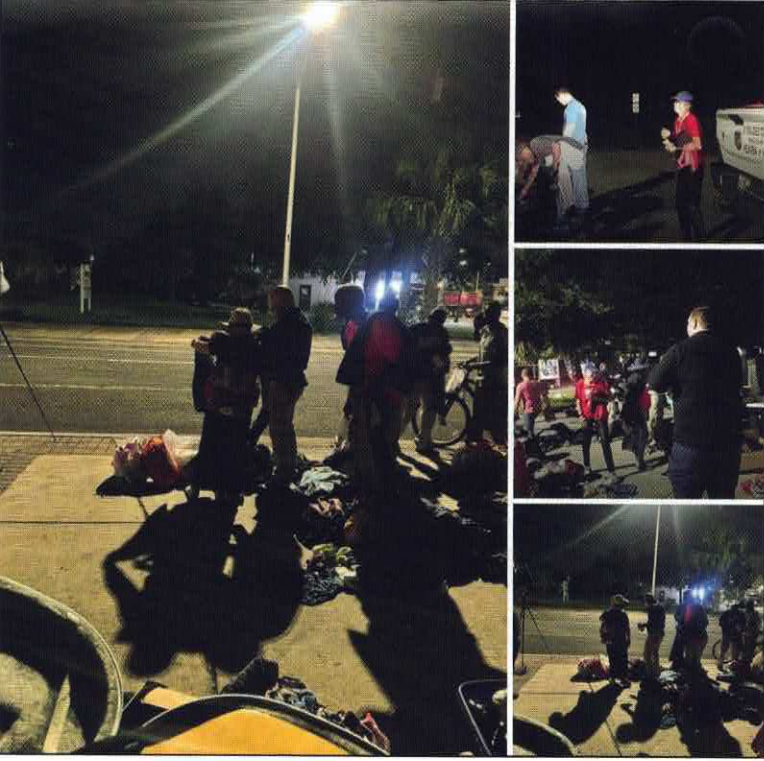
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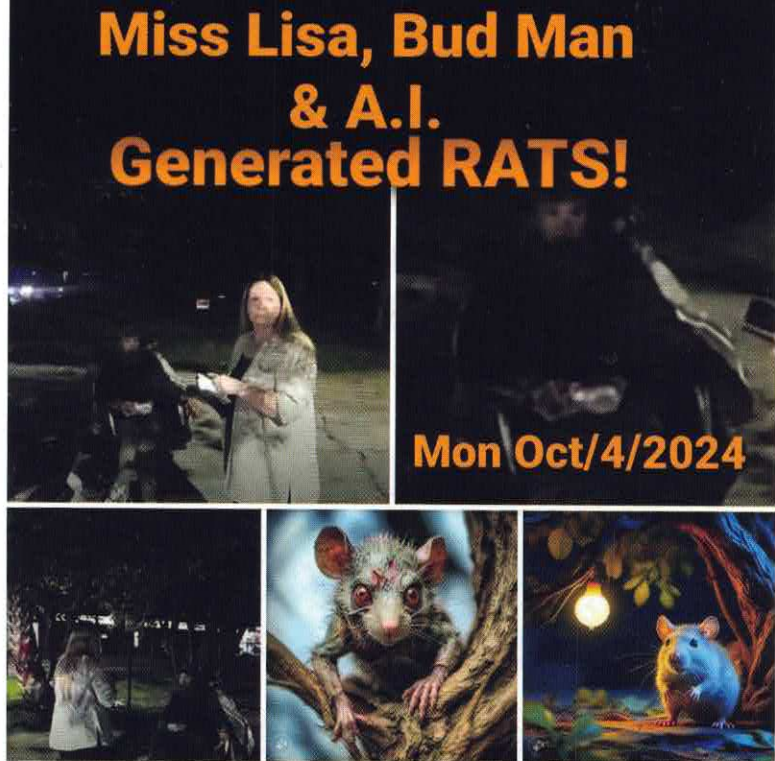
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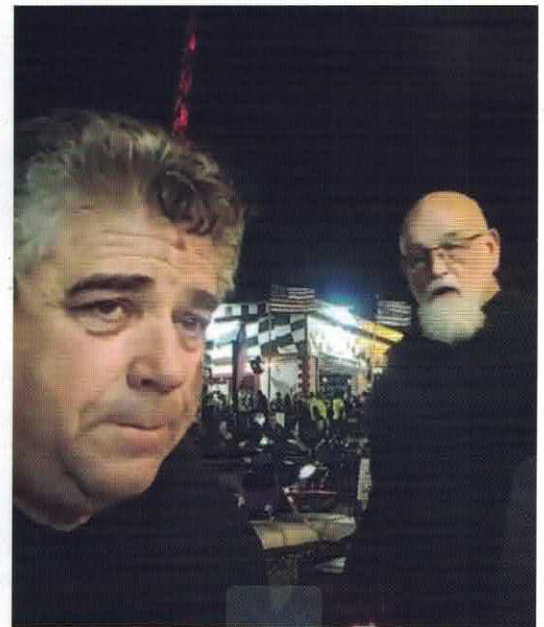
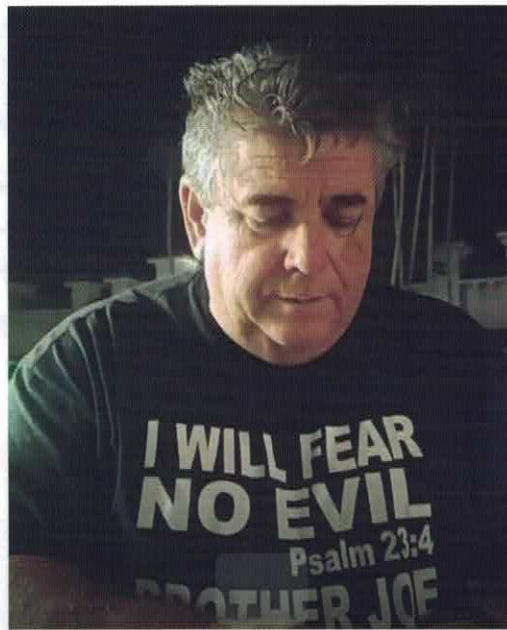


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