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Greetings!

Would you like to be professionally trained to share your faith, teamed up with someone who is a veteran in sharing their faith and taken to a place where you will be overwhelmed by people who want to know your Lord and Savior Jesus?

If you answered yes to that question fill out the attached application and come and join a front line evangelism team with over 34 years of experience because Bill Glass Champions for Life would like to invite you to the Central Mississippi Correctional Facility for 8 hours of training and sharing in one of the best mission fields that exist today!

Extensive training to be held on Friday Sept. 22, 2006 starting at 6 PM: Park Place Baptist Church 5701 Hwy 80 East, Pearl, MS 39208 Hotel reservations are available at a discount by mentioning Bill Glass Champions for Life and they should be \$55.00 plus taxes. Quality Inn 360 Gilcrest Drive Pearl, MS 39208 601-932-4025 For more information: Jim Harris, Event Director jim@infinityenterprises.net 205-392-9979 Bill Glass Website: www.billglasscfl.org or call: 972-298-1101 DEADLINE for registration is August 30th, 2006.

Rod

Ring of Champions Jones County

The Ring of Champions Jones County is officialy getting under way with mentors and matching now under way.

Our next training session will be Tuesday night September 11th. If you are interested in participation please email Dr. Smith and he will send you and application and schedule you for training and an interview.

[Ring of Champions Website...](#)

Jackson Day of Champions

The Champions for Life "School of Evangelism" is coming to Jackson, MS, September 23, 2006. Better known as The Day of Champions it gives us a chance to share Christ on a person to person basis. We are expecting 150 Teammates including 75 bikers. Sign up now! Last day is August 30!!!

According to Jim Harris, Event Director, we will have teams in the Central Mississippi facility (Rankin County) and the two youth facilities in Flowood, MS (near Jackson). Central Mississippi is the induction center for the State and is an ideal location for a Day of Champions as it includes both men and women inmates.

[Signup here NOW \(Deadline is August 30th\)](#)

On the Road with Joe McDonald

June was fantastic month with the trip to Puerto Rico and The Dominican Republic to work in prisons there with the Champions for Life. Many pictures and stories I wish I could share with you. We got to see Joey graduate and get his Commission as an Ensign and he leaves for Japan Monday from San Diego. I just got in from Missouri last night on my motorcycle. In the past month, between Patti's family reunion and ministry, I have been in 17 states on my motorcycle. God protected me the entire time as I traveled almost 6,000 miles. A motorcycle can be a fantastic tool for doing His work. People everywhere are always eager to talk to you about your travels. Pray I can keep it on the road the rest of this year as the expense to keep it maintained can be high. It needs about \$500 worth of work now as it is getting older.

September and October will be busy with trips to Texas, Ohio and Colorado working with Forgiven Ministry. Also trips to Texas and maybe Florida with Champions for Life. I will be traveling to Upstate NY the end of October to meet with groups there and participate in one mission conference. I have an invitation to travel to Mongolia the end of this year with Mitch Tillman, a missionary there. I will work in the prisons in that country for about a month. I had to cancel the Brazil trip for this month due to the high expense. It would have been a \$4,000 trip when it was all said and done. That is the second Brazil trip I had to cancel this year. I hope to make it to Honduras and Guatemala before the year is over. I need to look at the water project in Honduras and want to visit an orphanage and prisons in Guatemala. Greg Phillips is setting up this trip for us. He is not feeling well now as a result of his latest heart condition. Please pray God will heal him, soon.

[More about Joe](#)

At Home and On The Road With Rod

We've had a brief break in our schedule which is the first in a long time. I've had time to clean up the yard (almost) and even planted a small patch of turnips where I took

by watching her children while she trained for a new job.

Even though we were home I worked on getting Ring of Champions started here in Jones County. I've been a little surprised by how many people say it's a great idea but so few are willing to help. The latest statistics tell us that 1/3 of our youth nationwide do not finish high school. In Mississippi only a little over 50% finish high school and we are not last on the list.

After our too brief time at home Vivian and I will be leaving next week to go to a Champions for Life prison event in Nashville, TN. On our return I have two preaching engagements and a training session for Ring of Champions.

About Dr. Smith

Dr. Rod Smith, Project Director for Ring of Champions Jones County has been a motivational speaker for forty years. He has been involved in working with inmates in over 150 prisons in the United States and several foreign countries.

As well as being the Project Director for R.O.C. Jones County, Rod is a Coordinator for the Bill Glass Weekend of Champions Prison Ministry and on the Advisory Board for International Events.

Rod and Vivian are also members of the Christian Motorcyclists Association. He is the author of "A Time to Laugh and a Time to Cry."

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