

BIKE FOR GOD 2010

If your family enjoys biking and is interested in a fun way of supporting the “Christmas Shoebox” program of Samaritan’s Purse, please read on...

WHAT: Bike for God is a 25-km bike ride fundraiser along the Red Willow Trail system (St. Albert).

WHO: Kids age 14 & under - same as the kids who get shoeboxes; we invite older teens to ride as trail rangers!

WHEN: Saturday morning, **August 28th, 2010** from 8:30-11:30. GROUP PHOTO at 11:25 sharp!!

For those wishing to be involved in both events, Bike for God will not conflict with Franklin Graham’s Rock the River, which begins at 2:30 p.m. later the same day.

WEATHER: Rain or shine, we ride anyway and think of the kids we're raising money for :)

WHERE: St. Albert bike trail and some residential sidewalks; beginning at [Kingswood Park](#) at the Northeast end of Winston Churchill Ave. **Please note the new location, due to construction!**

WHY: This is a fundraiser event to allow our kids to serve and to support Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan's Purse, a nondenominational Christian relief and development organization. Operation Christmas Child collects gift-filled shoeboxes and distributes them to children suffering from war, poverty, natural disaster, famine or disease. In countries where Christian literature is permitted, a booklet telling the Story of Jesus is offered along with each shoebox. All Bike for God funds are designated for these booklets.

HOW: Registration is free by [contacting](#) the ride in your area with your children’s names and preferred T-shirt sizes. To confirm your registration we will email you the 2010 Donation Sheet.

THE RULES!

- 1) Helmets for kids and adults, and bike bells are mandatory by law in St. Albert. Please ensure your bikes are in good working order too!**
- 2) Your kids must be accompanied by at least one parent or adult guardian. *We do not provide supervision of your children.***
- 3) All money raised is due at the *beginning* of the ride please.**

THE FUN!

- * It's a great family outing! Maps are provided, and rest stops are spaced about every 5km along the trail.
- * Each child gets a free T-shirt to wear on the ride and to keep as a 'thank you' from Samaritan's Purse.
- * Each child can experience a simulated shoebox distribution after the potluck.

THE FOOD!

- * It's a BBQ potluck! Please sign-up to bring something for the potluck at the Finish Line celebration at 11:30 back at Kingswood Park. Plates, napkins, utensils and condiments will be provided.

THE VOLUNTEERS!

- * Let us know if you're available to help along the trail, at the rest stops, at the finish line, or by donating goodies for the shoeboxes. ☺

Later registrations are accepted, but the cut-off for a guaranteed t-shirt is July 31st.

Last year we had 25 kids riding and raised \$6428.00, enough to buy 25,712 booklets!

Our sister ride in Calgary raised \$3267.50 for an additional 13,070 booklets!

Please pray and practise for another successful ride!

INFO or REGISTRATION: Contact *Garry or Dawn* at englerfamily@shaw.ca