

I am sending this to let you know about an unusual charity fund-raising venture. I believe that, like me, your heart goes out to kids in need, both in the US and abroad. The attached PDF provides some details about an event called Yonder for Kids. This is intended to raise support for two organizations that work hard to make a difference in the lives of kids in need: Compassion International and Royal Family Kids. More information about these organizations can be found at the links below.

Royal Family Kids: <http://anchorage.royalfamilykids.org>

Compassion International: <http://www.compassion.com/m/about-us.htm?>

In today's world of instant communication it surprised me to find how many folks in the USA are completely unaware of the needs of kids right here in our country and around the world. I hope to change that a little bit by getting their attention. My attention-getting device is a very simple concept: do something that normal intelligent people know to be impossible. I have planned a motorcycle ride that will let me hit 49 states in 9 days.

The other obvious goal of this venture is to raise money to support both of these organizations to enable them to reach out and make a difference for even more kids in need!

I am asking for your help in a few different ways. First, I suspect it will be a bit arduous to ride an average of 930 miles day after day. During the ride, June 1-9, please pray for my safety and alertness. I am not a stranger to long-distance riding but this will be by far the most demanding I have done.

Second, please consider a donation to one or both of these outstanding organizations, to enable them continue to make a difference in the lives of needy kids. The links below will help with this. If you are able to make a corporate donation of \$1000 or more, we will add your corporate logo decal to the bike and to the banner we'll be using to promote the ride at churches and other venues throughout Alaska. You can be assured your donations are being applied effectively and efficiently as possible, since both organizations carry the highest fiscal rating from Charity Navigator, America's leading independent charity evaluator.

To donate to **Royal Family Kids**: <http://anchorage.royalfamilykids.org/donations/>

To donate to **Compassion International**:
<http://www.firstgiving.com/fundraiser/yonderforkids/yonderforkids-theride>

Third, please help publicize this. You have much more experience in this arena than I, and I am eager to learn what more can be done to get the word out, and am also very willing to take advantage of any help you can provide! I have started a FaceBook page for this, and am looking for someone to help with that as well, since this is my first venture into the FB world. On FB, look for Yonder For Kids.

Thank you for making time in your busy day to read this, and thanks also for any help you can provide to help me make a difference for these kids!

Chuck Miller
Riding to Make a Difference