

THIS IS ONEIDA WHEN LIFE GIVES YOU LEMONS part 2

In my last column, I left off with our choir bus broken down and Salvisa Baptist Church coming to our rescue. The rest of the story follows.

My sister and her family came down to the church, which was a personal blessing to me. One of the young ladies in our choir is from Mercer County, so her family also came to the church. By the time the service ended, our bus had been towed from Highway 127 to the church parking lot. The gentlemen who towed the bus did not charge us a penny.

The many folks who had worked during the service to accommodate us had taken our luggage from the bus and into their life center building. They had brought in enough food to feed our small army and had secured cots for us to sleep on, not knowing we had mattresses on the way that had originally been headed for Louisville.

I called back to school and arranged for a bus to come and get us in the morning and take us on into Louisville so we could make our 10:45 a.m. visit to Walnut Street Baptist Church. One of our teachers left campus at 5:45 a.m. to come and get us. The folks at Salvisa had said they would be getting us breakfast. Although foolish to think after all I had already seen these folks do for us, I thought we would probably have some sort of pastry and doughnut breakfast. They swooped in early that morning and cooked us biscuits and gravy, sausage, and pancakes. After breakfast, we loaded the bus and headed for Louisville.

Throughout the course of our stay in Salvisa, I learned that this church had just hosted a fall festival of 500 people the day before our unannounced visit. They had also hosted another group that Sunday morning. You will find the following on Salvisa's website: When you visit our church, you will find a caring congregation that will gladly welcome you. We certainly found this to be true. What an amazing church and group of people. I would love to see our friends from Salvisa Baptist again, but perhaps the next visit won't be so impromptu.

We made our visit to Louisville without further incident, and were blessed once again by a great church and group of people. Our visit to Highview has been rescheduled, and I trust our bus will cooperate the second time around.

While I don't really know what the Lord's purpose for all those involved was in all of these events, I do know He revealed himself to me personally in all of this. It was a frustrating and exhausting ordeal, yet the Lord met our every need through his people.

Our choir has 30 scheduled events this school year. I pray our bus cooperates for all 30, but then again, if it does break down we might meet some more great Kentucky Baptists.



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