

For Today, August 6

"When the student is ready, the teacher appears".

I have heard that phrase many times over the past 35 years. I know it has been true for me. Many times I did not know the sponsor I was working with would have the knowledge and experience to help me through the problems I would have 6 months down the road.

Sometimes I can identify God's hand in my life and that is usually after the situation is resolved.

I have seen a miracle this week and a tragedy within 24 hours. A family member was reunited with an estranged child. He asked me when he told me he had seen her if I believed in spiritual stuff? I said, of course, you wouldn't believe how much of that I have seen over the years. First God gives you a little nudge and then it's up to us to be brave. I was so thrilled that he had some healing to this relationship. So grateful for God's nudge and that he was brave enough to make that call.

Yesterday afternoon I came home from the store and my next door neighbors house was on fire. I yelled to the neighbor across the street to call the Fire Department and then went banging on the doors of houses to see if anyone was home and get them out. My neighbor's husband is a retired fireman and he went into the backyard and put a hose on the house until the fire department got the water started. There were flames leaping out the second story windows. Five fire trucks, EMS, police, emergency management. 100 people were on the street watching this sad thing.

I just kept praying. It's what we do. Just asked God to hold the firemen in the palm of his hand. One young fireman had to be checked out by the EMS because he was overcome by the heat. The equipment is heavy and the suits get hot. The fire trucks and inspectors were here until after Midnight.

I'm still twitching over this. I guess I will for a few days.

I know that it's just feelings and a meal or more food will not change the story in any way. I know God's hand was in there yesterday. Sometimes you just have to stand still and feel the feelings. They have a beginning, a middle and an end. I'm just in process this morning.

Thanks for being there today.