

FaithBIT



Even Those of Us with Few Talents

Reflection by Ruth Lunde

I started thinking about writing a FaithBIT months ago, but I procrastinated, knowing that others are better writers than I am. I serve on Habitat for Humanity teams, though I am not skilled at construction. Others on the team have more experience and skills than I do. I like singing with Immanuel music groups, though others are stronger at reading music, and have more beautiful tones and techniques in singing.

One item on my bucket list was to be in a play. A few weeks ago, I took the leap, auditioning for Godspell with Chaska Valley Family Theater. Given that I have never done choreography or dance before, it takes me more time to learn what to do with my feet, arms, and all my body.

I like biking. Though I am not as fast or skilled as many bike riders.

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A parable that is meaningful for me is the Parable of the Talents from Matthew 25. You might remember how the master gave one of his servants five talents; to another, he gave two talents; to another, he gave one talent. Upon returning, the master was pleased with how the servant with five talents put those to work, and how the servant with two talents put those to work. Unfortunately, the servant who received one talent hid that in the ground, and the master was very displeased.

It is an important reminder for me... even if I am not highly skilled in writing or construction or singing or choreography or biking, even if I have only minimal talent, it can be used, put to work! Regardless of our level of talent/skills, we can use what we have to serve the Lord.

From Matthew 25:23, “His master said, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’”