

Judy Smith's Story



The corner lot where I live has 5,000 square feet of lawn, and whereas I have often mowed the lawn and loved doing it, after my husband passed on, my son Sven took over the task of coming over weekly from Eagle Mountain to mow it for me.

This week the lawn had grown quite tall, and when I checked with Sven, he was right in the middle of finals and just could not work it in. Each morning, I start the day with prayer and always ask Father in Heaven for physical, emotional and spiritual strength for that day.

After my prayer that morning, I had concluded regarding the lawn, that I would get up my strength and do it myself. I went out into the garage, pulled the heavy mower to the garage door by the driveway, got the gas tank and was bending down over the mower when I started to look up.

First I saw 2 pairs of feet in men's dress shoes—then bicycle wheels—then two missionary elders wearing bike helmets—and they said, "Can we help you?" I couldn't have been more amazed if two heavenly beings had been standing in front of me!

It was almost overpowered with this tender answer to my prayer. Elder Tahaafe energetically took the mower and did the whole lawn, while I got better acquainted with Elder Walker and their mission.

Before the Elders left, we quietly stood together in the garage, and Elder Walker offered a beautiful prayer. This experience was a simple event, but I felt a great reassurance and witness that I was not alone and that our Father in Heaven and our Savior are absolutely aware of our individual personal circumstances and will always strengthen and help us in our times of need.