The BOGO Queen Has Left the Building

By Dr. James L. Snyder

When it comes to shopping, I am three coupons short of sanity. I have never liked going shopping unless it has to do with books. Then I'm on my turf.

The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage is a different story, and is why I call her the BOGO Queen. She has earned this title a thousand times.

It took me a long time to understand what the word BOGO meant, then the wife explained it to a leader like me, Buy One Get One.

She will search several times a week for these BOGO coupons on her computer. Every once in a while, I will hear her say, "That's what I'm looking for." Then I will hear several clicks, and soon the printer will be printing out dozens of coupons for the day.

Recently, when the BOGO Queen was out coupon shopping, I ran across a cache of cookies hiding in one of the cupboards. It was a

"happy dance" moment for me. Then, with a great deal of caution, I opened one box and took out a cookie.

I surely enjoyed that cookie, knowing that nobody knew that I was enjoying that cookie.

About an hour later, the BOGO Queen came home and put her shopping bags on the kitchen table.

She stopped for a moment, looked at me rather curiously, and said, "You did not find the cookies, did you?"

How she knew I found them, I will never know. I tried to stutter and change the subject and deny everything. But nothing worked.

Then I came up with an idea.

"You bought those cookies with a. BOGO coupon, right?"

I smiled as I asked the question.

She looked at me and said, "Yes, I think you're right." And she smiled

as she was telling me

"I," replying very cautiously, "only ate the free one.'

She smiled a rather curious smile at me and did not know what to

Whoever came up with this BOGO idea, I would like to congratulate them. And there are several reasons why.

First of all, it keeps my wife busy following through with all these BOGO coupons. How she can find so many at any given time is beyond my imagination. But, she does and spends quite a bit of time finding the coupon and then going to the stores and purchasing those BOGO products.

It's hard to imagine how much money she has saved us these many years.

Second, anything that is free will find welcoming arms with me. I love things that are free as long as they really are

free. I love things that occupy my wife in a very positive way. And boy, does she do a good job in this area.

As I was going over this, I thought of a very special Bible verse.

"Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again" (Luke 6:38).

A generous spirit does have its rewards. What I have is a reflection of what I have given. I have discovered that the more I give the more I get. Of course, if I only give to get I have the wrong attitude.

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Community Calendar

("A mutual support program for people whose lives have been affected by someone else's drinking") Monday nights 6:00 PM, Russell Springs United Methodist Church, Russell Springs, KY

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) Men Monday nights at SPARC at 6:00 PM

Alcoholics Anonymous(AA) Women Saturday mornings at 11:0 o AM Senior Citizens Center, Russell Springs, KY

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) Wednesday nights at 7:00 PM Senior Citizens Center, Russell Springs, KY

Celebrate Recovery

Tuesday nights at 6:00 PM, First Baptist Church, Russell Springs, KY

Celebrate Recovery

Thursday nights at 6:00 PM, Russell Springs United Methodist Church, Russell Springs, KY

Russell County Ext. District Board Meeting A meeting of the Russell County Extension District Board will be held Thursday, March 31, 4:00 PM at the Russell County Extension Office.

There will be a revival at Bethlehem Separate Baptist Church on April 6 at 6:30 PM. The Church is located on West 80 Russell/Adair line. Bro. Troy Coffey evangelist and Bro Richard Antle pastor and congregation invites everyone.

God's Food Pantry is updating its files. During the month of April a photo ID and a bill with a current address will be needed to pick up a box of food. Also, beginning in April, days of operation will include Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from noon until 4 PM.

Russell County Church Directory

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." -Philippians 4:13 (NKJV)

3trees Church 270-866-8811 270-250-7904 **Russell Springs Location** 3515 KY- West 80

Campbellsville Location 1 Living Grace Drive (First Wednesday of each month)

Battlefield Baptist Church 954 W. Steve Wariner Dr. **Russell Springs**

> **Beckham Ridge** Separate Baptist

Hwy 1729 **Bernard Ridge**

Church of God 241 Stephens Ridge Rd. Russell Springs

Bethel United Baptist Church Decatur Road, Dunnville

Bethel United Methodist Church Bethel Church Road Jamestown

Bethesda Community Fellowship 3109 S. Hwy 127 Russell Springs

Bethlehem Separate Baptist Church West Hwy 80 **Russell Springs**

Cedar Springs United Baptist

Clearfork Baptist Church 760 Clearfork Rd. Eli, KY (270) 866-7683

Clear Springs Missionary Baptist Church Est Hwy 619, Bernard Ridge, Russell Springs

Coffey's Chapel United Methodist Church Eli, KY

Coffey's Friendship Separate Baptist Off S. Hwy 55 (1/2 mile on Coffey's Schoolhouse Rd)

Coffey Grove Separate Baptist Church 1330 Blankenship Road Jamestown

Concord Wesleyan Church 6033 S Highway 1680

Jamestown Creelsboro Church of the Nazarene

Creelsboro Christian Church 4286 S. HWY 379

Jamestown Cross Creek Church 1673 N. Main St. Jamestown

Cumberland Baptist Church

627 E. Cumberland Ave. Jamestown Bus Ministry Available: (270) 343-3738

Fairview Baptist Church E. Hwy. 80

Fairview Separate Baptist Church 4313 N Hwy. 55 Jamestown Bro. Doug Baldwin, Pastor

First Baptist Church of Russell Springs 392 E. Hwy 80, **Russell Springs** Sunday

Faith Temple Full Gospel Church West Hwy 80 (Royville)

First Apostolic Church 3563 E. Hwy 80 **Russell Springs**

First United Methodist Church of Jamestown 157 N. Main Street Jamestown Phone: (270)-343-4187

Freedom Christian Church Sun. School 10 a.m.

Worship Service 10:45 Wed. Service 6:30 pm Garrett Crawford, Pastor Avery Gengelbach, Youth Minister

Friendship Baptist E. Hwy 80

French Valley United Methodist Church 2272 Hwy 379 **Russell Springs**

Good Tidings Baptist W. Hwy 76 - Russell/Adair

Grace Family Fellowship Russell Springs

Grace Independent Baptist

Dowell Road **Russell Springs** Phone: (270)-866-2554

Greater Hope Christian Fellowship N. Hwy 127 Russell Springs

Grider's Chapel United Methodist Church 3913 Highway 1058 Jamestown

> **Hayes Chapel** Church 1353 W. Hwy 619

Russell Springs

Holy Spirit Catholic Church 406 N. Main Street Jamestown

Jamestown Christian Church 65 S. Main St., Jamestown

Jamestown Church of the Nazarene

132 S. Main St., Jamestown

312 Monument Square Jamestown **Jamestown First**

Baptist Church 165 W. Cumberland Ave. Jamestown

Jamestown Community

Church

Jamestown Seventh-Day **Adventist Church** 100 Freedom Church Road Junc. 55 & 127 Jamestown Phone: (270) 507-9434

Liberty Baptist Church Wilson Street, **Russell Springs**

Main Street Church of God

Manntown United Methodist

Mt. Calvary Baptist Church Damron Creek Road

Russell Springs **Mt Eden United Baptist** Church

Mt Hope Separate Baptist Church Jamestown

Mt. Eden Road

Mt. Olive Baptist Church Phone: (270) 585-9299

Mt. Pleasant UMC 3944 W Hwy 92 Russell Springs

Phone: (270) 343-2100 Mt. Vernon Baptist

Church S. Hwy 619, Jamestown **New Victory Baptist**

Church 460 Arles Hale Rd. Russell Springs

Oak Grove Separate **Baptist Church** Blair School House Road **Old Liberty Community** Church W. Hwy 92 Russell Springs

Ono Community Church Hwy. 1611 **Pine Grove Separate**

Baptist Church Below Eli **Pine Grove United**

Baptist Church Gosser Ridge Community **Pine Top Church of Christ**

Pine Top Rd. Russell Springs

Poplar Grove Baptist Church North 127

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church 250 French Valley Court **Russell Springs** Phone: (270) 866-4656

Rockhouse Christian Church **Royville Friendship**

Church West Hwy 80 Russell Springs

Russell Springs Christian Church Main & College St. **Russell Springs**

Russell Springs Church of the Nazarene 1442 W. Steve Wariner Dr.

> **Russell Springs** Lighthouse Church 86 Owenstown

Schoolhouse Rd. **Russell Springs Russell Springs United**

Junction 80&127 **Russell Springs United Methodist**

Baptist Church

Russell Springs Phone: (270) 866-5180

226 Jamestown St.

Sano Baptist Church 3005 Hwy 1729 Russell Springs Phone: (270) 343-4378

Sewellton Church of God of Prophecy 253 Ballinger Road

Jamestown **Solid Rock Church**

189 West Drive Russell Springs Phone: (270) 866-4097

Springs of Free Life Church 635 Main St. **Russell Springs** Phone: (270)-866-8748

The Church of God P.O. Box 2121 – Hwy 1729

Russell Springs **Union Baptist Church** 3525 Gosser Ridge Road

Union Chapel United Methodist Pastor: Dennis Kiser

Phone: (270) 566-1596 999 Hwy 1058 Jamestown Worship 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Follow us on social media!

Welfare Baptist Church Middletown, Hwy 127

West 80 Church of God 3733 W. Hwy 80 Russell Springs

Whites Chapel Separate

Baptist Church Willow Oak Church of Christ

Half-Acre Road

Word of God Church 240 Hopper Street Phone: (270) 866-2696

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