



Lutheran Ladies Hit the Road!

Characters:

- Martha: Mission-minded LWML veteran with a dry wit.
- Lydia: First-time attendee, curious and slightly dramatic, wearing purple of course.
- Naomi: Road trip planner, enthusiastic.

Props (optional):

- Bible
- Cowboy hats or boots.
- Toy steering wheel or map.
- Sign: "Oklahoma City — July 8–11, 2027!"
- A real or oversized Mite Box.
- Sunglasses, travel mugs, or a pretend GPS.

SCENE OPENS — Martha holds a Bible, Lydia is wearing purple, Naomi wears a cowboy hat and holds a Mite Box.

NAOMI: (excitedly) Lydia, Martha!

MARTHA: Calm down Naomi. What is it?

NAOMI: Ladies, pack your praise and polish your purple — we're heading to Oklahoma City in July 2027!

LYDIA: (wide-eyed) Wait, is this like a Lutheran road trip? (unfold a map or play with a toy steering wheel.)

MARTHA: (drily) Lydia, it's a road trip for sure! There will be hugs, worship, and more purple than a grape festival in Galilee.

NAOMI: It's the Lutheran Women in Mission Convention — thousands of women, one faith, one purpose, and a whole lot of purple.

LYDIA: Purple? Purple? Did you say purple? (pauses and looks at the audience) I love purple! I was destined to wear purple! So, Martha, what happens at these conventions?

MARTHA: The theme is Transformed in Christ based on Romans 12:2.

LYDIA: Transformed? Like robots?

MARTHA (shows OKC Convention Flyer) No, transformed by the Holy Spirit. Here is the Bible verse: *Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.*

LYDIA: Cool. But what is it like?

MARTHA: At convention we'll spend time in worship and Bible study. In fact, the opening worship is often the highlight of the convention. Oh, the singing is so joyful! The exhibit hall and the LWML SHOP are always exciting. We'll hear mission stories from mission grant recipients that make you laugh, cry, and want to empty your purse into a Mite Box.

NAOMI: (holding up the Mite Box) This is a Mite Box — It's basically a blessing machine. Coins go in, mission grants go out. It's like a vending machine — but instead of snacks, you get schools, Bibles, and hope.

LYDIA: Okay, but what's Oklahoma City got besides wind and cowboys?

NAOMI: Oh, honey. There's Bricktown Canal where you can ride a water taxi and wave like you're Miss LWML 2027. Have you heard of the Cowboy? That's the National Cowboy Hall of Fame where fringe is fashion. You can walk through a tropical escape called the Myriad Botanical Gardens. Zero passport required. And across the street from the convention center is Scissortail Park. It's the perfect place for prayer walks, selfies, and spotting Lutherans in lawn chairs.

LYDIA: That sounds exciting!

MARTHA: The excitement? It's real. With Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas hosting there will be more joy than a potluck with three kinds of Jello® salad! You will meet women from all over the United States and may even make a new friend named Eden!

NAOMI: You'll roll up your sleeves for servant activities and be delighted with news about mission grant recipients. There will be a mission pledge walk and you may even tear up when you realize your little Mite Box helped change someone's life. It's "holy goosebumps territory."

LYDIA: (grinning) I'm in. I'll bring my Bible, my walking shoes, and my pledges for the Mission Walk — because if I'm walking, it's for Jesus and not just for steps on my fitness app! Oh, and my purple — did I mention I was destined to wear purple?

NAOMI: (raising her travel mug) To Oklahoma City — where the worship is loud, the hugs are long, and the Mite Boxes are mighty!

ALL: (raising prop sign Oklahoma City — July 8–11, 2027!) See you in OKC in 2027! To God be the glory — and don't forget your Mite Box!

LYDIA: (as an aside to the audience) and your purple. (big wink)