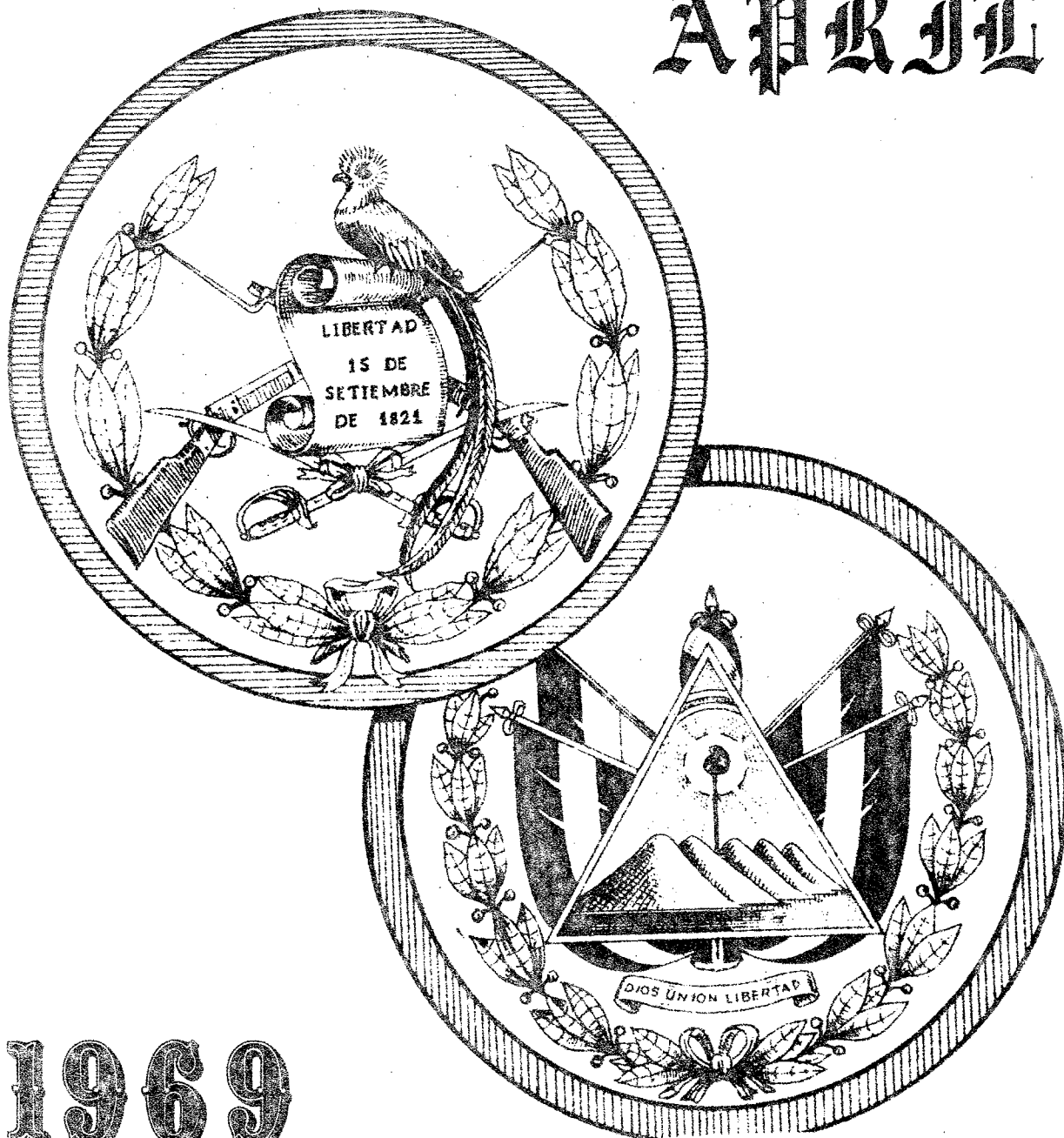


# AVANTE

*Guatemala - El Salvador Mission*

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## APRIL



# 1969

**TAKE  
UPON  
YOU  
MY  
WHOLE  
ARMOR**

"Wherefore, lift up your hearts and rejoice, and gird up your loins, and take upon you my whole armor, that ye may be able to withstand the evil day, having done all, that ye may be able to stand.

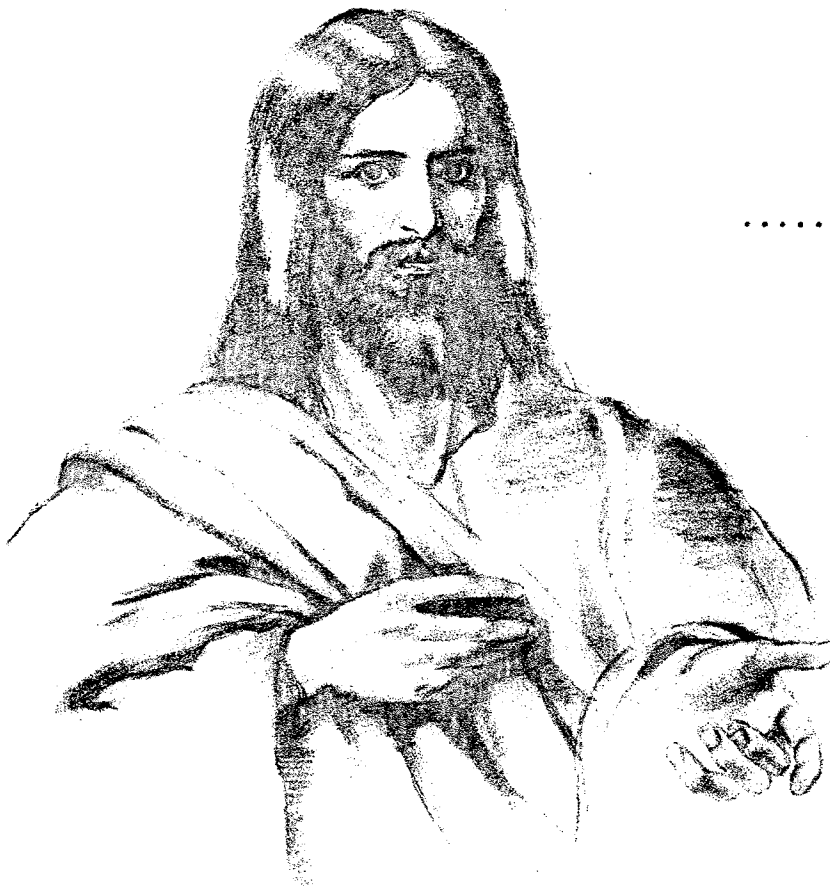
"Stand, therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, having on the breastplate of righteousness, and your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace, which I have sent mine angels to commit unto you;

"Taking the shield of faith wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked;

"And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of my Spirit, which I will pour out upon you, and be agreed as touching all things whatsoever ye ask of me, and be faithful until I come, and ye shall be caught up, that where I am ye shall be also." (D&C 27:15-18)

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President.....David G. Clark  
President's Companion ..... Sister Bonita R. Clark  
First Assistant ..... Elder Thomas Hardy  
Second Assistant ..... Elder John Johnson  
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President's Secretary ..... Sister Cynthia Burton



"Lovest thou me?"  
..... Then feed my sheep.

# MISSION LEADERS

## COAST ZONE

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BLAKE ZLC

MAZATENANGO  
COATEPEQUE  
RETALHULEU  
ESCUINTLA

FLAKE  
JACOBSEN  
FLOWE  
WAMSLEY



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SMITH, RON ZL  
BROWN, B. ZLC

FLORIDA  
CHIMALTENANGO-TECPAN  
PATZICIA-PATZUN  
SOLOLA

GREEN  
DAVIS, SK  
STAPELY  
ALLRED

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MORGAN ZLC

LAYCO, ATACATL, MEJICANOS  
VILLA DELGADO 1,2,3  
SANTA LUCIA, SOYAPANGO  
ZACATECOLUCA

NISONGER  
HOLTSCLAW  
ANDRUS  
ANDERSON

## GUATEMALA NORTH

HEDELUS ZL  
BATMAN ZLC

GUATEMALA #2  
GUATEMALA #5  
GUATEMALA #4-6  
JALAPA-JUTIAPA

HANSEN  
FRANCOM  
NIELSEN  
HOUSLEY

## XELA ZONE

GONZALEZ ZL  
HEWLETT ZLC

XELA #1  
MOMOSTENANGO  
TOTONICAPAN  
SAN MARCOS  
HUEHUETENANGO

GOODWIN  
MORTENSON  
CURRITT  
MINER  
CEBALLOS

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ETHINGTON ZLC

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SANTA TECLA  
SAN MIGUEL

JEPSEN  
MATTHEWS  
ALECANDER  
KOHLER

## SANTA ANA ZONE

SMITH RC ZL  
WRIDE ZLC

SANTA ANA #1  
SANTA ANA #2  
CHALCHUAPA-AHUACHAPAN  
SONSONATE

ASAY  
HYATT  
RUDD  
SAUNDERS

## GUATEMALA SOUTH

BLASER ZL  
TORRES ZLC

GUATEMALA #1  
JOCOTALES-CIPRESALES  
GUATEMALA #3  
ZACAPA-CHIQUMULA

ALLEN  
SHEFFIELD  
THURSTON  
PITCHER



Dear Fellow Missionaries:

As the April Session of the 139th General Conference of the Church comes to a close, it is befitting to quote the testimony of David O. McKay from his closing remarks to the Church in general. President McKay gives us in his testimony a guide-line to spirituality which we should follow if we are to be the worthy representatives of our Lord and Savior in this Mission.

"I know with my whole soul that as Christ lives after death, so shall all men, each taking his place in the next world for which he has best fitted himself.

I have cherished from childhood the truth that God is a personal being, and is, indeed, our Father whom we can approach in prayer and receive answers thereto.

I cherish as one of the dearest experiences of life the knowledge that God hears the prayer of faith. It is true that the answer to our prayers may not always come as direct and at the time, nor in the manner we anticipate; but it does come, and at a time, and in a manner best for the interests of him who offers the supplication.

There have been occasions, however, when I have received direct and immediate assurance that my petition was granted. At one time, particularly, the answer came as distinctly as though my Heavenly Father stood by my side and spoke the words.

These experiences are part of my very being and must remain so long as memory and intelligence last. Just as real and just as close to me seems the Savior of the world. I feel as I have never felt before that God is my Father. He is not just an intangible power, a moral force in the world, but a personal God with creative power, the Governor of the World, the Director of our souls.

I would have all men, and especially the young people of the Church, feel so close to our Father in Heaven that they will approach Him daily — not in public alone, but in private. If our people will have this faith, great blessings will come to them. Their souls will be filled with thanksgiving for what God has done for them; they will find themselves rich in favors bestowed.

It is not imagination that we can approach God and receive light and guidance from Him and that our minds will be enlightened and our souls thrilled by His spirit."

I pray that we may so live as to always be worthy of the constant companionship of the spirit.

Faithfully yours,

President and Sister Clark

Fellow missionaries:

Because we are presently in a "sacrifice" month, perhaps it would be fitting to talk about "total dedication" to the work.

What does "total dedication" mean? It means complete, unfeigned, sincere dedication to everything we do. If we write a letter, we should write a good, positive letter, expressing our sincere thoughts and desires with our parents, the president, or whoever it may be. It means if we knock on a door, we give to the person we meet the best we can possibly give every second that he will listen to us. It means intense listening and prayer while our companion gives his half of the lesson, and then enthusiasm, drive, and animation when we participate. It means leveling with the Lord in our half-hour prayers--complete honesty with Him who knows us better than we know ourselves. It means complete and frank confession to Him, and even more important a change within ourselves. It means honesty when we fill out a weekly report, registering an accurate number of working hours--no more or less than what we did. It means intense effort to change and eliminate those things which inhibit the flow of the Spirit.

It means the swallowing of pride and glory for the pride and glory of others. It means kindness and patience with a people different, but not less noble, than ourselves. It means accepting ourselves for what and who we are without becoming complacent. It means total dedication to clean and uplifting thoughts, and clean and uplifting actions. It means purity in our language. It means discipline of our emotions. It means love and respect for a companion not as smart as ourselves. It means a constant study of the scriptures, and empathy with those characters we meet in the scriptures. It means an increase of obedience to those in authority over us.

It means providing a total balance for our lives--physically, mentally, and spiritually. It means working as though the Lord had laid it all on our shoulders, and then praying as if everything depended on Him. It means challenging honestly and fearlessly, and doing those things which are hard to do.

I was impressed by Brother Stapley's conference address. He said: "Let us be the kind of people we want others to be." He added, "If the church is worth anything, it is worth everything." The same goes for our work in this church as called and ordained servants of the Lord: If our work is worth anything, it is worth everything.

Let's give the work everything we've got, and then rest and trust in the Lord. May He bless us as we continue to go forth in His work, bringing to pass the change we want to wrought in ourselves and His children.

Faithfully,

Elder Thomas Ralph Hardy  
1a. Asistente al Presidente

Dear Fellow Missionaries,

As members and missionaries of The Church of Jesus Christ, we understand the principle, that every person is a dual being, that is to say, we exist physically and spiritually. In the development of the physical body we develop certain characteristics or traits, true also in the development of our spirit, we acquire certain traits or attributes.

In Galatians Chapter five, verses 19 to 25, we read of the fruits of the spirit and the works of the flesh: "The fruit of the Spirit is: love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance..."

The fruit of the Spirit is the reward to he who works for it. Our Beloved President and Prophet David O. McKay in a recent article gives us some suggestions which help us to gain the fruit of the Spirit. These four suggestions are: Aspiration, Consciousness of Limitation, The Power of Self-Control, and The Sense of Comradeship.

President McKay defines Aspiration as: "A yearning for something high and good, an exalted desire." We as missionaries must make ourselves yearn to be bigger, better, and broader. As the Prophet says, "We should strive and aspire for the stars, though we may reach only the housetops. If we have low aims, we will not rise to heights of goodness."

We have to feel a sense of limitation, not to such a degree to inhibit the growth of the Spirit, but we should always be conscious of a superior power. Again, quoting President McKay, "There is a sense of limitation, we may go just so far, but we will and must know that we cannot go beyond it."

There is no spirituality without the subjugation of physical appetites and passions. Our Prophet tells us that: "One means of developing self-control is our little principle of fasting; another is to do something for some one else."

The sense of comradeship is the fourth suggestion that the President gives us. He states: "Each of us should feel that this is our family or our mission. We are to help one another. We shall not bring dishonor to our father and mother, our fellow companions. This is our mission, this is our Church. We are here to make it a success."

It is my desire that these suggestions from Our Beloved Prophet will help us in "Putting on the whole **Armor** of God."

Your fellow missionary,  
Elder John V. Johnson



KNOWLEDGE COMES THROUGH  
PERSONAL EFFORT. ITS ACQUISITION  
INVOLVES LABOR. EXACT AND DEFINITE  
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INTO THE ACTIVE SEARCH FOR IT

-PRES. DAVID O. MCKAY



<u>Office</u>		<u>Guate. City So. Zone</u>		<u>Guate #1</u>
Johnson J.V.	DL	Blaser	ZL	Allen DL
McArthur		Torres	ZLC	Judd Jr.
Hardy				Monroe Sr.
Taylor		<u>Zacapa-Chiquimula</u>		Burton Jr.
Van Luven		Pitcher	DL	
Burton		Allen	Jr.	<u>Guate #3</u>
Hall		Jones	Sr.	Thurston DL
Van Leeuwen		McLemore	Jr.	Harmon Jr.
Stewart				Tenney Sr.
Wilson				Jones D. Jr.
Chase				

<u>Jocotales-Cipresales</u>		<u>Guate. City No. Zone</u>		<u>Guate #2</u>
Sheffield	DL	Hedelius	ZL	
Portor	Jr.	Bateman	ZLC	Hansen DL
Moulton	Sr.			Greenwood Jr.
Durrance	Jr.	<u>Guate #5</u>		
		Francom	DL	<u>Guate #4-6</u>
<u>Jalapa-Jutiapa</u>		Thomas	Jr.	Nielsen DL
Housely	DL	Welch	Sr.	Smith Jr.
Orgill	Jr.	Mathis	Jr.	Tucker Sr.
Corbett	Sr.	Ovard	Co-Sr.	Jacobs Jr.
Howe	Jr.	Torres	Co-Sr.	
				<u>Xela Zone</u>
				Gonzalez ZL
				Hewlett ZLC

<u>Xela #1</u>		<u>Momostenango</u>		<u>Totonicapán</u>		<u>San Marcos</u>
Goodwin	DL	Mortensen	DL	Curritt	DL	Miner DL
Bonus	Jr.	Zinn	Jr.	Consocio		Lohrke Jr.
Bingham	Sr.			Egbert	Sr.	Prettyman Sr.
Briggs	Jr.	<u>Huehuetenango</u>		Lines	Jr.	Fugal Jr.
Reed D.	Sr.	Ceballos	DL			
Petersen	Jr.	Knight	Jr.	<u>Guate. Coast Zone</u>		

<u>Coatepeque</u>		<u>Retalhuleu</u>			
Jacobsen	DL	Flow	DL		
Stock	Jr.	Ashworth	Jr.		
		Rush	Sr.	<u>Mazatenango</u>	
		Shelly	Jr.	Flake	DL
		Beecroft	Co-Sr.	Hadlock	Jr.
		Gledhill	Co-Sr.	Gain	Sr.
				Donkin	Jr.

<u>Chimaltenango-Tecpán</u>		<u>Chimaltenango Zone</u>		<u>Florida</u>
Davis S.K.	DL	Smith Ron	ZL	Green DL DL
Roundy	Jr.	Brown	ZLC	Albaugh Jr.
Castle	Sr.			Mortenson Sr.
Snow	Jr.	<u>Patzicía-Patzún</u>		Radford Jr.
		Stapley	DL	
<u>Sololá</u>		Short	Jr.	<u>Mission Family</u>
Allred	DL	Hancock	Sr.	Pres. Clark ZL
Consocio		Talbot	Jr.	Sis. Clark ZLC
Meyer	Sr.			Julie Clark
Erikson	Jr.			Carole Clark
				David Clark
				Johnie Clark

San Salvador So. Zone

Smith N. R. ZL  
 Ethington ZLC

Santa Tecla

Alexander DL  
 Bukler Jr.

Sonsonate

Saunders DL  
 Harris M. Jr.  
 Thompson Sr.  
 Alder Jr.

Central, San Jacinto, Las Americas

Jepsen DL  
 Berrett Jr. Santa Anita, Mont.  
 Quist Sr. Matthews DL  
 Pugmire Jr. Carmichael Jr.  
 Redd Sr.  
 Stone Jr.

San Miguel

Kohler DL  
 Wanberg Jr.  
 Reek K. Sr.  
 Workman Jr.  
 Conkling Co-Sr.  
 Ballou Co-Sr.

Santa Ana Zone

Smith R. C. ZL  
 Wride ZLC

Zacatecoluca

Anderson DL  
 Henrie Jr.

Santa Ana #1

Asay DL  
 Juárez Jr.  
 Akor Sr.  
 Trump Jr.  
 Smith, R. Co-Sr.  
 White Co-Sr.

Chalchuapa-Ahuachapán

Rudd DL  
 Palmer Jr.  
 Slater Sr.  
 Terry Jr.

Santa Ana #2

Hyatt DL  
 Johnson R. Jr.  
 Johnson P. Sr.  
 Ellsworth Jr.  
 White Sr.  
 Leavitt Jr.

San Salvador No. Zone

Read W. ZL  
 Morgan ZLC

Santa Lucia, Soyapango

Andrus DL  
 Hatch Jr. Villa Delgado #1,2,3  
 Shurtleff Sr. Holtsclaw DL  
 Kougioulis Jr. Dixon Jr.  
 Peshell Sr.  
 Proctor Jr.  
 Gifford Sr.  
 Donaldson Jr.

Layco, Atlacott, Mejicanos

Nisonger DL  
 Gunn Jr.  
 Benton Sr.  
 Harston Jr.

# The difference between good and great is effort!

El Salvador Zone.....43

Santa Ana #1 Asay, Trump, Henrie, Wride, Barrett  
Zone Leaders R. C. Smith, Thurston

Guatemala South Zone.....28

Guatemala #1-3 Allen, Burton, Tenny, Harmon

San Salvador South Zone.....27

San Salvador #2 Matthews, Dixon, Redd, Peshell

Coastal Zone.....18

Retalhuleu Flowe, Briggs, Rush, Shelley

San Salvador North Zone.....14

San Salvador #4 Andrus, Hatch, Shurtleff, Buhler

Guatemala North Zone.....12

Florida Green, Roundy, Mortenson, Thompson

Xela Zone.....6

Huehuetenango Wilson, Knight

Lamanite Zone.....2

Momostenango Mortensen, Thomas, Egbert, Van Luven

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## DISTRICTS

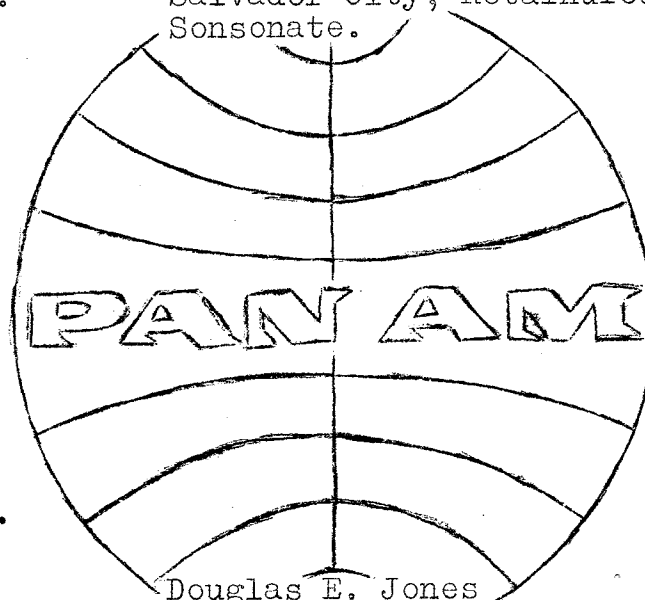
# MARCH RESULTS

ZONE	CHALLENGE	BAPTISMS	%
El Salvador	180	68	37
Z.L.'s	20	11	55
Santa Ana #1	60	32	53
Sonsonate	20	7	35
Santa Ana #2	40	9	22.5
San Salvador	180	57	31
San Salvador #2	40	27	67
San Salvador #1	40	10	25
Santa Tecla	20	2	10
San Miguel	60	3	5
Z.L.'s	20	0	0
Guatemala South	170	50	30
Guatemala #1-3	40	28	70
Zacapa-Chiquimula	40	9	22.5
Guatemala #2-5	40	5	12.5
Jocotales-Cipresales	40	3	7.5
Z.L.'s	20	0	0
Coast	160	42	26
Retalhuleu	40	18	45
Escuintla	40	13	32
Coatepeque	20	5	25
Mazatenango	40	4	10
Z.L.'s	20	1	5
Guatemala North	180	35	19.4
Florida	40	12	30
Z.L.'s	20	5	25
Jalapa-Jutiapa	40	8	20
Guatemala #4-6	40	6	15
Chimaltenango	40	1	2.5
Xela	180	14	7
San Marcos	40	4	10
Xela #2	40	1	2.5
Xela #1	60	1	1.6
Huehuetenango	20	0	0
Z.L.'s	20	0	0
Lamanite	180	4	2
Momostenango	40	2	5
Totonicapán	40	1	2.5
Z.L.'s	20	1	5
Patzicía-Patzún	40	0	0
Sololá	40	0	0
San Salvador	150	29	19
San Salvador #4	40	14	35
San Salvador #5	30	10	33
San Salvador #3	40	3	7.5
Z.L.'s	20	1	5
Zacatecoluca	20	0	0

PAN AMERICAN takes away our VIEJOS....

Keith Raymond Stowell  
From: Bountiful, Utah  
Released: March 19, 1969  
Worked in: Guatemala City,  
San Marcos, Salvador City,  
Xela, Huehuetenango, Office.

Glenn A. Parson  
From: Torrence, California  
Released: April 11, 1969  
Worked in: Guatemala City,  
San Miguel, Mazatenango,  
Salvador City, Retalhuleu,  
Sonsonate.



...but also brings us NUEVOS....

Wade Fred Workman  
From: Mesa, Arizona  
Came in: April 15, 1969  
Working in: San Miguel  
With: Kenneth Reed

Douglas E. Jones  
From: Bountiful, Utah  
Came in: April 15, 1969  
Working in: Guatemala #3  
With: Harold Tenney

Curtis Alex Orgill  
From: St. Anthony, Idaho  
Came in: April 15, 1969  
Working in: Jalapa  
With: Richard Housely

Keith Alan Judd  
From: St. David, Arizona  
Came in: April 15, 1969  
Working in: Guatemala #1  
With: Hal Allen

Wayne Lynn Smith  
From: China Lake, California  
Came in: April 15, 1969  
Working in: Guatemala #4-6  
With: Jorden Nielsen

John Gerald Wanberg  
From: Salt Lake City, Utah  
Came in: April 15, 1969  
Working in: San Miguel  
With: Jay Kohler

Richard Jackson Gunn  
From: Provo, Utah  
Came in: April 15, 1969  
Working in: San Salvador #3  
With: Allen Nisonger

Stephen Brown Allen  
From: Salt Lake City, Utah  
Came in: April 15, 1969  
Working in: Zacapa  
With: Paul Pitcher

Paul Miles McLemore  
From: Mesa, Arizona  
Came in: April 15, 1969  
Working in: Chiquimula  
With: Ivan Jones

Rex Curtis Hadlock  
From: Vernal, Utah  
Came in: April 15, 1969  
Working in: Mazatenango  
With: George Flake

# The Rewards of Excellence

BY JAMES T. DUKE

● "What's in it for me?" This question is frequently asked today, although it is often stated more subtly. People want to know why they should do something before they do it. They want to know what benefits will come to them or their families. They want to know that they are not wasting time on unproductive activities.

Sometimes, however, too much emphasis is placed on reward, and men lose their sense of perspective. They may place too much importance on tangible, financial reward at the neglect of less tangible but still worthwhile rewards, such as the feelings of happiness and accomplishment. And often after receiving reward, we find that it does not bring the happiness we had hoped for.

The ancient Greeks, who made such an important contribution to our heritage, believed that each thing was capable of perfection or excellence. Every object or person had a function that was thought of as a state of excellence: The excellence of an eye is to see, the excellence of a knife is to cut, and so on.

From this grew a great moral philosophy regarding the excellence of mankind. The excellence of man is to think—to reason. This is the quality that sets man apart from other creatures.

However, the Greeks also recognized differences in individuals. All men are different; thus each man possesses a special individual excellence in addition to the ability to reason. Each man must find his own excellence. He must examine his own talents and virtues and seek to excel in those qualities that set him apart from other men.

The Greeks believed that excellence should be pursued for its own sake, not for any reward. The perfection achieved was its own reward. Activities

were viewed as being *ends* in and of themselves, not as *means* to other ends.

This principle is an extremely important one for mankind today. We should pursue activities because the activity is enjoyable and worthwhile and because it contributes to the welfare of our fellowman and brings joy to us, not because of financial or social rewards. Thus the Lord said: "... men should be anxiously engaged in a good cause, and do many things of their own free will, and bring to pass much righteousness." (D&C 58:27.)

This conception of the worth and perfectability of man is consistent with our Christian heritage. Christ taught that man should strive for personal growth and self-development. Man should maximize his own talents, skills, and virtues and pursue goals of self-expression, self-realization, and creativity. He should love his fellowmen and serve them without thought for his own position or fame. *Joy is in doing, not in having.*

The problem is, how do we apply this principle in daily living? Let's discuss several typical situations and suggest some applications.

**Occupation.** The principle of excellence should lead the individual to seek an occupation that expresses his own talents and abilities, one that he can enjoy doing regardless of the financial compensation. But many jobs that must be performed to keep society functioning are not of this type. Some jobs are boring and repetitious and contain tensions and pressures. Often men do not have the training to get jobs that allow them to express their talents.

But the principle of excellence provides us with a way to look at our jobs. We should find and focus on the worthwhile, useful aspects of our occupations.

...all men possess a particular excellence  
in addition to the ability to reason.  
Each must find his own excellence.

MARCH

APRIL

Elder Dixon 7  
Elder McArthur 8  
Elder Andrus 14  
Elder Dickson 14  
Elder Ashworth 15  
Elder Brown 18  
Elder Holtsclaw 20  
Elder Wilson 23  
Elder Goodwin 23  
Elder Gonzalez 31

Elder Stapley 5  
Elder Alder 6  
Elder Juarez 13  
Elder Greenwood 16  
Elder Jepsen 16  
Elder Davis 20  
Elder Proctor 21  
Elder Allen 29  
Elder Hyatt 29  
Elder Buhler 30

BIRTHDAYS

## PA'QUE SEPAIS

If your results on the "Results Page" don't give you credit for all the work you did, it could be because you didn't do all the work you thought you did. You didn't get your "Bapper Papers" in on time. So, Next month give them all to your Zone Leader BEFORE he leaves for the Zone Leaders Conference.

"Do not worry when you are not recognized, Strive to be worthy of Recognition"  
--Abraham Lincoln--

From time to time some of us get a little lax in our grooming habits, So Please heed the following: COMB the hair up off the forehead, and TRIM the sideburns up to where we know they should be.

A letter was recently received from the First Presidency, regarding the wearing of Temple Garments. We quote from their letter:

"The covenants taken in the Temple incident and attached to the wearing of garments contemplate that they will be worn at ALL TIMES. NO EXCEPTION to these covenants is found anywhere in the ceremonies. These covenants run between the one making them and the Lord. These covenants so made take on the nature of COMMANDMENTS of the Lord. The wearing of the Garment is the subject of direct covenant between the Lord and the covenant maker, who must determine to what extent he will keep his covenants. To break our covenants is to LOSE the PROTECTION and BLESSINGS promised from obedience thereto.

## SERVICE

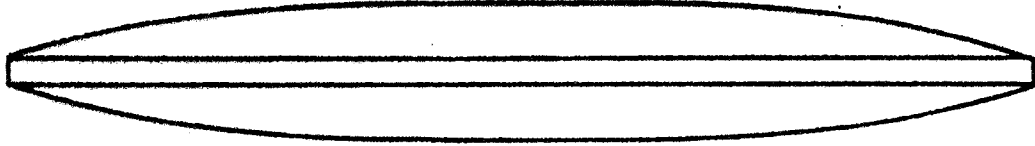
In the service of the Lord, it is not where you serve, but how. In the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints one takes the place to which one is duly called, which place one neither seeks nor declines. --President J. Ruben Clark

The true way to serve the Lord is through service to man. We don't need to be long faced and pious to be religious. We should be extremely happy in serving in His Church.

--President David O. McKay

If you are going to kill time, try working it to death.....

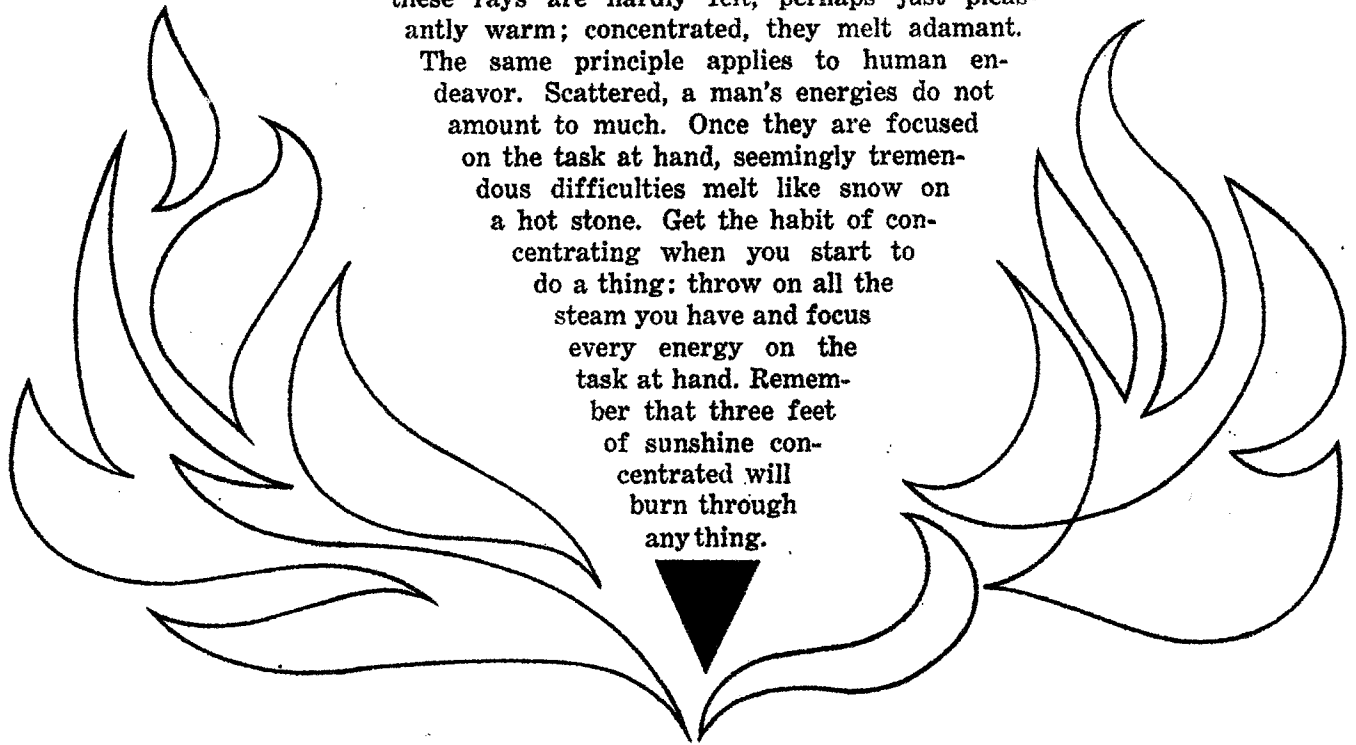
# Concentration



In one of the laboratories in Washington there is a great sun glass that measures three feet across. It is like the "burning glasses" we used to treasure when we were boys, only much larger. This great glass gathers the rays of the sun that strike its flat surface and focuses them in a single point in space a few feet below. That single spot is hotter than a blow torch. It will melt through a steel plate as easily as a red-hot needle burns through paper.

This terrific heat—it cannot be measured, for it melts all instruments—is just three feet of ordinary sunshine concentrated on a single point. Scattered, these rays are hardly felt, perhaps just pleasantly warm; concentrated, they melt adamant.

The same principle applies to human endeavor. Scattered, a man's energies do not amount to much. Once they are focused on the task at hand, seemingly tremendous difficulties melt like snow on a hot stone. Get the habit of concentrating when you start to do a thing: throw on all the steam you have and focus every energy on the task at hand. Remember that three feet of sunshine concentrated will burn through anything.



## Inner Peace

Lorence W. Martineau

*Today I haven't moved the world  
With any new invention;  
I've built no towering monument,  
Attracted no attention.*

*I've organized no government  
No armies have defeated;  
No story of a fortune made  
Have I this day repeated.*

*But all this day, praise be to God,  
My thoughts have I succeeded  
In keeping pure as morning dew—  
No ill have I conceded.*

*And so, tonight, my mind is calm  
As yonder verdant pastures,  
And worry, fear, and human strife,  
This day are not my masters.*