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"He Is Risen"

Esteemed Missionary Companions,

Christians throughout the world should draw closer to our Lord and Saviour during the Easter Season as they recall the great atoning sacrifice made by our elder brother, Jesus Christ. As Latter-day Saints, we too should remember to a greater degree, just what the resurrection means to each son and daughter of our Father in Heaven. An editorial found in the Church News a year ago will, I believe, help us better comprehend the true meaning of the gospel plan, and of course, the resurrection.

"The Saviour lives! Can there be any greater message?

"And because He lives we all shall live, for ever; and death will be abolished.

"Furthermore, because He lives, He gives us an opportunity to become like Him--and like our Heavenly Father--and with Him advance through the eternities. All this because He lives.

"His victory over the tomb gave significance to the entire gospel message. Without it there would be no gospel. Without it there would be little meaning to anything He taught. Without His resurrection we could not look forward to eternal life; we could not hope to know our loved ones in the world to come; we could not look forward to the conclusion of our lives here on earth with anything but terror.

"But since He lives, a great new light is opened upon us. Life does have meaning. Death is no obstacle. Eternity becomes a reality. We can know and believe that God lives also; that He is our Father, and that we can become like Him. All this because Jesus lives!

"THE RESURRECTION of the Christ was more than the most important event since the creation, for without it even creation would have had no real meaning.

"The earth was made as a home for us, but that was because the gospel provided an eternity of life for everyone, and the creation was but one step toward it.

"The entire gospel plan looked to the Savior's atonement. That is the high point in all creation and all existence. And the resurrection was the crowning event in that atonement.

"It was a physical resurrection, not a mystical one. He ate food with His disciples, the same kind that they ate. He allowed them to feel of His hands and feet and side following His emergence from the tomb.

"IN ANCIENT America, a band of 2,500 faithful Saints to whom He appeared, were allowed to stand in line and one by one examine the marks of the crucifixion, and know the reality of His resurrection. They too learned that He lives, and they sang their hosannahs as they gloried in His achievement.

"And so may we too shout hosannah--glory to His name! He overcame death; He atoned for sin and holds out His beckoning hand to each of us.

"Everyone will be resurrected in a glorious victory over death, and those who serve Him may not only enjoy that infinite blessing, but they also may live with Him for evermore."

What a blessing it is to be members of the restored church of Jesus Christ and have the truth of the gospel to help us clearly understand the purpose of life. Be ever grateful, my dear companions, for the restoration that took place just 143 years ago.

Con Mucho Cariño,

Harvey S. Glade

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Dear Fellow Missionaries,

"It was on the morning of a beautiful, clear day, early in the spring of eighteen hundred and twenty."

I still remember those bright days of early spring--running down the steps of the school building to find newly sprouted grass and leafy trees sharply contrasted against a radiant blue sky. I yet recall how it felt to experience that scene, when for months before, one was continually confronted with a palid landscape of frozen snow and barren trees bleakly silhouetted against the lifeless gray sky.

This seems to be one of nature's recurring themes--that of rebirth, and with the advent of spring, all the creation seems to take on new life. It was in such a time of year, a time man so keenly perceives and senses, that the greatest incident of rebirth occured, even the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Yet, Christ's triumphal emergence from the grave is only the most outward manifestation of a greater rebirth made possible by him--the opportunity of all men to experience a personal spiritual rebirth, which is ever so much as brilliant in its contrast to the former life of disobedience as is spring's resurgence of life to the previous long months of winter.

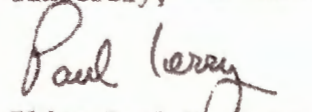
Since the resurrection of Christ, hundreds of springs have come and gone. The world has experienced a long night of apostacy and spiritual famine when ignorance and the absence of God's priesthood deprived man of the fullest fruits of Christ's sacrifice. Once again, however, the day dawn has broken, shedding forth light and life where darkness was before.

That light and life is the gospel which we bear, and as our investigators turn to it and accept it we see the shackles of darkness fall from them and that marvelous spiritual rebirth take place. Christ has made possible this rebirth, but we as missionaries are the only ones that can bring to an individual the word which, when obeyed, will cause him to experience this rebirth. In this season, as we have special occasion to remember the Lord's mission, let us not forget our unique responsibility to carry to the world our knowledge of this mission.

And as the waters of the rainy season bring once again life to sun scorched and wasted lands, let us likewise renew again our lives with repentance and rededication. This is in reality nature's message to us, as she transforms herself, and is the whole message of the gospel. And, just as spring endlessly comes and goes, so must repentance be a continual and unceasing process in our lives.

May we remember these things, and apply them in our lives at this time and always.

Sincerely,


Elder Paul W. Terry

Dear Companions,

"Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here: for he is risen, as he said." The message is brief, the language strikingly simple, but the significance of this heavenly visitation is unparalleled. God's messenger proclaimed to the world, as I now testify to you, that Jesus the Christ had risen from the dead. Certainly any words must fall far short of relaying such joy in the perfect beauty it deserves. Nevertheless, at this Easter Season I need to share with you my calm assurance that Christ has conquered death, and that his atonement offers our only hope for eternal happiness.

The sadduces, after hearing the testimony of the guards, refused to cast away their traditions and claimed that "His disciples came by night and stole him away while we slept." Such an effort to ease their guilt-riddled souls did not change the reality of our Lord's victory. He had indeed been clothed in the immortal body which he possesses even today. After his resurrection, the Savior appeared to many of the disciples. They saw him, thrust their hands into his wounds, and felt the power of his divine love. "Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?"

Brothers and Sisters, I have felt that same burning while teaching investigators the principles of Christ's infinite and eternal atonement. I have seen grown men cry as they realized that their elder brother would die for them and take upon himself their many sins. I have watched the lives of entire families change as they repented and became worthy of Our Heavenly Father's guidance.

Jesus permitted himself to be hung on the cross. He voluntarily gave his life for each of us. If only we could follow such a tremendous example of unselfishness in our service to others. Shortly before ascending to the throne of his father, Christ gave his disciples one final commandment: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." He has done much more, yet only requires of us our talents in his work. Is there any reason we cannot give 100% of those talents during the short period of this full-time missionary calling?

I pray that during the month of April we will all be able to reflect more on the effect of Christ's life on our eternal goals. I pray that we will remember those eternal goals every day and work to grow closer to them. If we could feel Christ's love for us and all of God's children in our lives every day, just as the disciples felt it while walking with Jesus after his resurrection, there could be no desire to do anything but please him completely. That feeling should be a common experience rather than a vague possibility.

May the Lord bless us in our efforts.

Sincerely your companion,

Darrell K. Rigby

Elder Darrell K. Rigby



I think as I read the story of Abraham's sacrifice of his son, Isaac, that our Father is trying to tell us what it cost him to give his Son as a gift to the world. You remember the story of how Abraham's son came after long years of waiting and was looked upon by his worthy sire, Abraham, as more precious than all his other possessions; yet, in the midst of his rejoicing, Abraham was told to take this only son and offer him as a sacrifice to the Lord. He responded. Can you feel what was in the heart of Abraham on that occasion? You love your son just as Abraham did; perhaps not quite so much, because of the peculiar circumstances, but what do you think was in his heart when he saw Isaac bidding farewell to his mother to take that three days' journey to the appointed place where the sacrifice was to be made? I imagine it was about all Father Abraham could do to keep from showing his great grief and sorrow at that parting, but he and his son trudged along three days toward the appointed place, Isaac carrying the fagots that were to consume the sacrifice. The two travelers rested, finally, at the mountainside, and

the men who had accompanied them were told to remain while Abraham and his son started up the hill.

The boy then said to his father: "Why, Father, we have the fagots; we have the fire to burn the sacrifice; but where is the sacrifice?"

It must have pierced the heart of Father Abraham to hear the trusting and confiding son say: "You have forgotten the sacrifice." Looking at the youth, his son of promise, the poor father could only say: "The Lord will provide."

They ascended the mountain, gathered the stones together, and placed the fagots upon them. Then Isaac was bound, hand and foot, kneeling upon the altar. I presume Abraham, like a true father, must have given his son his farewell kiss, his blessing, his love; and his soul must have been drawn out in that hour of agony toward his son who was to die by the hand of his own father. Every step proceeded until the cold steel was drawn, and the hand raised that was to strike the blow to let out the life's blood, when the angel of the Lord said: "It is enough."

Our Father in Heaven went through all that and more, for in his case, the hand was not stayed. He loved his Son, Jesus Christ, better than Abraham ever loved Isaac, for our Father had with him his Son, our Redeemer, in the eternal worlds, faithful and true for ages, standing in a place of trust and honor, and the Father loved him dearly, and yet he allowed this well-beloved Son to descend from his place of glory and honor, where millions did him homage, down to the earth, a condescension that is not within the power of man to conceive. He came to receive the insult, the abuse, and the crown of thorns. God heard the cry of his Son in that moment of grief and agony, in the garden when, it is said, the pores of his body opened and drops of blood stood upon him, and he cried out: "Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me."

I ask you, what father and mother could stand by and listen to the cry of their children in distress, in this world, and not render aid and assistance? I have heard of mothers throwing themselves into raging streams when they could not swim a stroke to save their drowning children, rushing into burning buildings, to rescue those whom they loved.

We cannot stand by and listen to those cries without its touching our hearts. The Lord has not given us the power to save our own. He has given us faith, and we submit to the inevitable, but he had the power to save, and he loved his Son, and he could have saved him. He might have rescued him when the Son, hanging between the two thieves, was mocked with, "Save thyself, and come down from the cross. He saved others; himself he cannot save." He listened to all this. He saw that Son condemned; he saw him drag the cross through the streets of Jerusalem and faint under its load; He saw that Son finally upon Calvary; He saw his body stretched upon the wooden cross; He saw the cruel nails driven through hands and feet, and the blows that broke the skin, tore the flesh, and let out the life's blood of his Son. He looked upon that.

In the case of our Father, the knife was not stayed, but it fell, and the life's blood of his Beloved Son went out. His Father looked on with great grief and agony over his Beloved Son, until there seems to have come a moment when even our Savior cried out in despair: "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"

In that hour I think I can see our dear Father behind the veil looking upon these dying struggles until even He could not endure it any longer, and, like the mother who bids farewell to her dying child, has to be taken out of the room, so as not to look upon the last struggles, so He bowed His head, and hid in some part of the universe, his great heart almost breaking for the love that he had for His Son. Oh, in the moment when he might have saved his Son, I thank him and praise him that he did not interfere, and that His love for us made it possible for Him to endure to look upon the sufferings of His Son and give Him finally to us, our Savior and our Redeemer. Without Him, without His sacrifice, we would have remained, and we would never have come glorified into his presence. And so this is what it cost in part, for our Father in Heaven to give the gift of his Son unto men.

How do I appreciate the gift? If I only knew what it cost our Father in Heaven to give his Son, if I only knew how essential it was that I should have that Son and that I should receive the spiritual life that comes from the Son, I am sure I would always be present at the Sacrament table to do honor to the gift that has come unto us, for I realize that the Father has said that He, the Lord, our God is a jealous God--jealous lest we should ignore and forget and slight His greatest gift unto us.

--Melvin J. Ballard
Council of the Twelve



We Are All Enlisted...

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Matthew C. Greer
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Dorothy Noorlander
Daniel Noorlander

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Orem, Utah
Levittown, New York
San José, Costa Rica
San José, Costa Rica
Madison, Wisconsin
Provo, Utah
Roy, Utah
Fresno, California
Fresno, California

Till The Two Years Are O'er

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Alan K. Weaver
James V. Hughes
Kevin D. Rhodes
David L. Kleinman
James L. Hone
Rodolfo Dominguez
Gilberto Marquez

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Idaho Falls, Idaho
Alpine, Utah
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Pico Rivera, California
San Miguel, El Salvador

Zone Totals--March 1973

GUATEMALA ZONE 1 (XELA)	24 BAPTISMS
GUATEMALA ZONE 2 (GUATEMALA)	32 BAPTISMS
EL SALVADOR ZONE 3 (SANTA ANA)	10 BAPTISMS
EL SALVADOR ZONE 4 (SAN SALVADOR)	35 BAPTISMS

TOTALS 101

MEDICAL INFORMATION

The Church is concerned for the welfare of its missionaries and is anxious to do everything possible for them while they are serving in the mission field.

Regarding medical expenses, it should be borne in mind that the Church does not have an insurance program, per se, on missionaries. Whatever money the Church pays on medical bills, for missionaries, comes from the tithing funds of the Church. Because of this, the Church looks first to whatever insurance program the parents may have, and second to the parents themselves, according to their ability and willingness to meet these expenses.

Illnesses of missionaries may be listed under two general classifications:

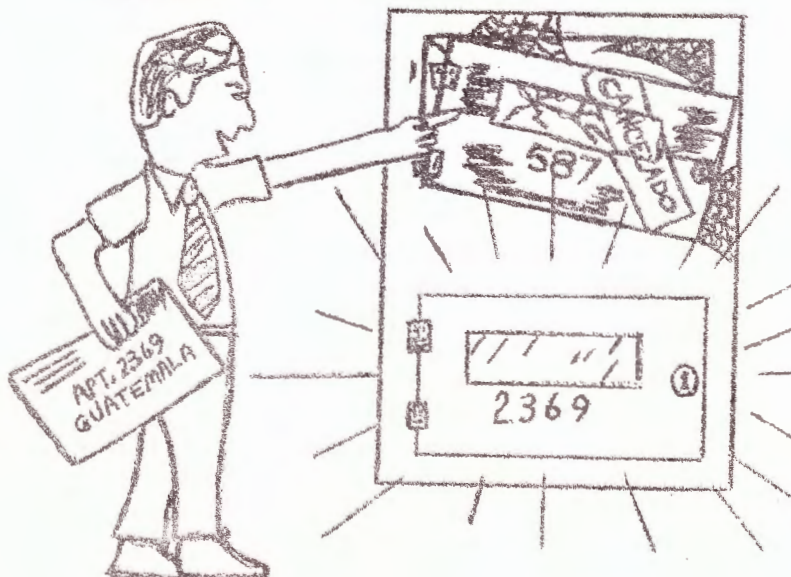
1. That which results from a pre-mission condition. In this situation the parents are expected to handle the medical costs. This can be done from family insurance, family finances, or if these are not sufficient, from the funds available to the Bishop/Branch President of the ward/branch.
2. That which originates in the mission field. Payment of these expenses should come from the family insurance if such exists. If not, the family is expected to pay all or whatever portion of the amount they are able. (The Bishop/Branch President of the ward/branch will be contacted in making this evaluation.) Whatever amount remains will be paid by the Church from tithing funds.

Murdock Travel, Inc. are the agents for an ACCIDENT insurance underwritten by American Home Insurance Company of New York. This will pay up to \$500 dollars on medical expenses incurred as a result of an ACCIDENT. It also pays a death benefit of \$5,000 if death should result from an accident. It also pays for loss of luggage to and from the field of labor. The total premium is \$15.00 for the full mission term. A letter from Murdock's explaining the details is sent to each missionary. Although most missionaries take it, this insurance is optional.

Dental care, and eye care such as glasses, shots, prescriptions, medicines, etc. are not paid by the Church and should be handled by the family.



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adams, r	usulután	<u>gudiel</u>	ward 3	nelson, scott	ward 2
ahlstrom	ahuachapán	guillen	xela 3	nelson, steve	xela 2
aitken	delgado	gunnell	mazate 1	molte	patzún
allen, b	san jacinto	<u>gwilliam</u>	ward 6	noorlanders	patzún
allen, k	branch 7	hansen	xela 2	page	santa lucía
allen, r	ward 2	harris	santa lucía c.	peñate	jalapa
allred, david	reu 1	hatch	antigua	petersen	el modelo
allred, derryl	chalchuapa	hathcock	el centro	<u>reintjes</u>	xela 3
alvarez	patzicía	hearns	totonicapan	reynoso	el quiché
amesquita	zacamil	hegerhorst	san pedro	richards, m	occidente
anderson	reu 2	<u>henrie</u>	occidente	richards, r	occidente
anthony	office	<u>hillery</u>	san jacinto	<u>rigby</u>	office
<u>avarell</u>	reu 2	hona	mazate 2	rios	layco
bailey	sonsonate	huber	branch 8	roberts	ward 3
bake	soyapango	hurst	layco	robinson	monserrat
ball	ward 1	jennings	ward 6	rodriguez	reu 1
baria	el centro	johnson	coatepeque	rogers	jutiapa
barrus	office	jones, j	chimaltenango	roper	escuintla
baxter	xela 1	jones, m	patzicía	<u>roundy</u>	barrio nuevo
bentley	lourdes	<u>jorgenson</u>	xela 3	salazar	patzicía
blake	mejicanos	kaopua	santa anita	salgado	el molino(g)
blakesley	sololá	kempton	san marcos	salguero	layco
bond	el molino(s)	<u>kilgore</u>	ward 6	schlosser	el centro
<u>borgquist</u>	layco upper	kirk	ward 5	sellick	ward 2
<u>bower</u>	zacamil	knight	patzún	<u>shirley</u>	el centro
bumstead	barrio nuevo	LOCATION CHART APRIL 10, 1973			totonicapan
<u>buttars</u>	patzicía	koplin	ahuachapán	skiba	ward 6
<u>cameron</u>	mejicanos	kuehne	chalchuapa	smith	san pedro
<u>cammack</u>	ward 2	kulbeth	el molino(g)	stead	ahuachapán
carlisle	el molino(s)	<u>landeen</u>	momostenango	steele	san vicente
<u>chaney</u>	san marcos	lange	xela 3	stevenson	ward 1
christensen	zacapa	<u>layton</u>	escuintla	stewart	branch 3
clark, stephen	florida	lee	ward 4	stoker	oriente
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cobabe	santa anita	lewis	huehuetenango	swensen	zacatecoluca
curtis	santa tecla	lezama	layco	symmes	el molino(g)
daines	chimaltenango	mc cracken	office	telford	office
davis	lourdes	mc gaughey	ward 1	<u>terry</u>	jutiapa
demars	el molino(s)	<u>mc quarrie</u>	momostenango	tew	ward 1
dodge	zacamil	<u>mack</u>	santa lucía	theodore	branch 7
<u>dominguez</u>	el molino(g)	madsen	coatepeque	thompson	zacamil
downard	escuintla	mangus	oriente	tilton	florida
draper	patzicía	<u>marquez</u>	antigua	tingey, a	santa tecla
dugan	occidente	martinez	florida	tingey, d	mazate 1
duran	barrio nuevo	mather	santa lucía	trejo	totonicapan
eason	chiquimula	<u>maurent</u>	monserrat	tueller	florida
eddo	zacapa	<u>mauzy</u>	chiquimula	twiggs	layco
erskine	san vicente	<u>miller, p</u>	ahuachapán	vermillion	ward 4
escalante	florida	<u>miller, r</u>	mazate 2	waite	zacatecoluca
evans, m	monserrat	montoya	sololá	wallace, d	layco
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faye	totonicapan	morgan	office	whitmer	oriente
gagon	oriente	mortenson	el quiché	williams, a	florida
gamboa	el molino(g)	mundy	el modelo	<u>williams, d</u>	escuintla
<u>gardea</u>	sonsonate			williams, k	santa tecla
geller	santa lucía			wilmore	el molino(g)
golightly	sonsonate			wilson	jalapa
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