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THE GUATEMALA-EL SALVADOR MISSION

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Esteemed Missionary Companions,

We are excited, and hope you are too, with the new traveling group of Elders--"La Familia Unida". We have now been able to see these five talented missionaries mold themselves into a close knit and unified singing group. "La Familia Unida" has been formed to give the Guatemala-El Salvador Mission another dynamic proselyting tool. Their calling for the next few months is a very special one and we anticipate they will have great success with their "Bombastico" show.

Each one of us must now do our part to make sure every planned engagement builds good will for the Church; and that the good people of the Guatemala-El Salvador Mission are given the opportunity and desire to know more about the Gospel of Jesus Christ and its life saving message. Your enthusiasm will be contagious as you seek out the most appropriate place in your area to present "La Familia Unida". Plan every detail carefully and see that everyone attending knows who and what we represent and have the opportunity of giving us references if members or a home visit appointment if non-members.

Elders and sisters, "You Make The Difference"--let's be sure we do our part efficiently and well to make this program one of the most outstanding tools our mission has ever known. May it so impress those who witness the show that many complete families will be desirous of knowing how they, too, can obtain more love and unity as a family and receive joy and happiness as they apply the Gospel truths in their lives.

May we all enjoy great EXITO!

Faithfully your brother,

Harvey S. Glade

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location chart -- july 1, 1972

abrams	centro	haack	layco	nelson, j	zacapa.
adams, reed	centro	hardy	cipresales	nelson, s	san jacinto
<u>adams, richard</u>	ward 3	hathcock	branch 7	<u>nielson, r</u>	ward 5
<u>adamson</u>	totonicapán	hearns	barrio nuevo	nielson, p	santa anita
aguilar	branch 5	hegerhorst	chimaltenango	molte	monserrat
allen	coatepeque	henrie	cipresales	nye	mazate 2
amesquita	la merced	hillery	ward 4	page	milagro
andelin	jutiapa	hone	cipresales	<u>park</u>	solola
andrew	belen	<u>hughes</u>	san vicente	<u>paulson</u>	santa lucia
anthony	ward 1	jenks	reu 2	peñate	villa nueva
avarell	sonsonate	johnson	layco lower	<u>purdy</u>	xela 3
ball, c	lourdes	<u>jones</u>	huehuetenango	reintjes	florida 1
ball, j	chaparrast.	jorgenson	sta. lucia c.	reynoso	totonicapán
baria	zacamil	kaopua	soyapango	rhodes	san jacinto
barrus	florida 2	<u>keate</u>	layco upper	richards	centro
bennion	usulután	kellert	el quiche	rigby	san marcos
blakesley	ward 3	kilgore	chalchuapa	robinson	jutiapa
bond	san marcos	kleinman	reu 1	rodriguez	el molino
borgquist	florida 2	knight	zacatecoluca	rogers	santa lucia
<u>bowen</u>	layco upper	<u>koelliker</u>	ward 6	roundy	escuintla
bower	mazate 1	kuethne	antigua	salazar	patzicia
bumstead	zacapa	kulbeth	santa tecla	sanders	momostenango
buttars	momostenango	<u>kusch</u>	barrio nuevo	schlosser	san jacinto
<u>cacuango</u>	centro	lamoreaux	san jacinto	seegmiller	xela 3
call	jalapa	landeen	patzun	sellick	mejicanos
cameron	ward 2	larson	zacamil	<u>shelley</u>	florida 1
cammack	el quiche	lauritzen	patzun	shirley	ward 2
cheney	antigua	layton	villa nueva	skiba	sta. lucia c.
clark, s	chiquimula	lee	xela 1	smith	san pedro
clark, t	lourdes	lefler	el molino	sorenson	branch 5
cook	modulo	<u>lemus</u>	escuintla	stanley	delgado
<u>cooper</u>	monserrat	<u>lippincott</u>	office	stapel	cipresales
cornish	office	lloyd	el molino	stewart	ahuachapan
<u>cuff</u>	mazate 1	mc cracken	layco	stoker	delgado
curtis	zacamil	<u>mc donald</u>	jocotales	strong	office
davis, c	ward 1	mc gaughey	florida 2	stuart	chaparrast.
davis, lb	la merced	mc quarrie	solola	stumpe	escuintla
dewaal	santa tecla	mack	florida 1	symmes	huehuetenango
<u>diehl</u>	branch 7	<u>mackay</u>	belen	taylor	monserrat
dodge	florida 2	magyar	patzicia	<u>teel</u>	ward 2
dominguez	escuintla	mahoney	office	<u>terry</u>	el molino
draper	patzicia	mangus	santa lucia	tew	reu 2
eddo	ward 2	marquez	xela 2	tueller	totonicapán
erskine	zacamil	marsh	totonicapán	twiggs	chiquimula
escalante	chalchuapa	<u>martino</u>	ward 6	valle	la merced
<u>evans, m</u>	mejicanos	<u>martinson</u>	layco lower	wallace	xela 3
evans, r	jalapa	matheson	ahuachapan	weaver	soyapango
farnsworth	santa lucia	maughan, bro	zacamil	whitmer	monserrat
fryar	barrio nuevo	maughan, sis	zacamil	williams, a	santa anita
gardea	florida 1	maurent	chimaltenango	williams, d	jocotales
golightly	mazate 2	mauzy	coatepeque	wilson	san vicente
gomm	office	melendez	la merced	woodman	sonsonate
<u>gonzales</u>	san pedro	miller	reu 1	wright, scott	office
goodman	usulután	moore,	xela 2	<u>wright, steve</u>	barrio nuevo
gudiel	zacatecoluca	morgan	xela 1	wylie	modelo
gunnell	ward 4	moulton	delgado	young, d	milagro
gwilliam	ward 5	mundy	ward 2	young, v	delgado
				<u>zollinger</u>	xela 3

WHAT GOES UP...

We've all heard the saying that, "What goes up must come down," which of course is a true physical law. But it isn't necessarily a spiritual or humanitarian law. What goes up the Lord's way is just getting started. Though life is marked by highs and lows, our Father has always meant for the net result to be our upward progression. The key then is to start and then to hang on. You might say simply, "What (or who) goes up ought to keep going."

Then what about the great missionary we promised ourselves we would become in the mission home? Will we rise to meet that goal or fall to the average and the commonplace? There is another law that applies to the human family: "You will be no better tomorrow or next year than you are right now unless you begin to improve today!" There is nothing worth doing or earning or being that you cannot do part of in one minute. So make these minutes count!

The story is told of a middle-aged man who was challenged to acquire his long-dreamed-of college degree. As he and his wife conferred on the matter, he realized that it would take him 4 1/2 years of night school to finish. The man turned to his wife and said, "By the time I get my degree, I'll be 46 years old." To which she wisely replied, "Yes, and if you don't get your degree, you'll be 46 by then anyway." So he studied nights and finally graduated from college. You see, whether we progress or not, whether we go up or down, the time passes all the same. How wise were the words of Benjamin Franklin Franklin:

"Do you love life, then don't squander time. For that is the stuff life is made of."


May I bear you my testimony that this is a true principle. As Elder Mark E. Peterson stated, "Let us not be weary in well doing. Let us not suppose that the task is too hard. There is no excellence without labor, and there is no salvation without obedience. The Lord is kind and he is helpful. If we will but believe in him, and accept his word..."

I declare to you with joy in my heart that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, our Guide and our Redeemer. I know that Joseph Smith is His Prophet and that we have a living prophet who bears that same mantle of authority today. I know that this Gospel is the way to salvation. And that the Lord's way is one way: UP. May we go his way. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sincerely your brother,

J. Devn Cornish

Elder J. Devn Cornish



ONE WAY

THAT WE FEEL SO NOW

I can remember well my first days in this mission. Everything was new and different--everything looked different, felt different, seemed different. It was hard to try to take it all in at once. Days of many months ago are like they were Tuesday or Wednesday of last week--the impressions were so forceful that they have taken their place and stayed. I, like so many I've seen since, was excited, a little apprehensive, but psyched at finally being in the mission field.

Missionaries, whether they will admit it or not are excited about receiving a new missionary. They know of the enthusiasm, desire, patience, and love that one brings to the field. They look forward to the lift of a fired-up elder or sister.

But what is it that sometimes happens to that new missionary, a week, a month, a year later, that he finds himself critical of the people, pretty sure that investigator won't come to church, impatient with many, and not as happy as he'd like to be.

I'm reminded of something Alma questioned the people in his charge in the city of Zarahemla. He first reminded them of the love and joy they had felt at the time of their conversion, "And now behold, I say unto you, my brethren, if ye have experienced a change of heart, and if ye have felt to sing the song of redeeming love..." and then he asked, "...can ye feel so now?"

In respect to missionary work, I have had to ask myself that same question, "Can I feel so now?" "Do I have that same patience, that same love, that same hope." "Am I as optimistic, cheerful, and happy as I was those first days?" Sadly, at times I have had to respond 'no'.

But as is often the case, the honest recognition of a fault or weakness gives birth to the desire and then the strength to correct it. We find that something isn't the way it should be and then we realize it doesn't have to be that way, that we ourselves are capable of changing it.

The gospel we proclaim to this special people is one of "glad tidings of great joy". Let's let our faces and our attitudes reflect our joyous message. Let us be mindful of the counsel to count our many blessings, to reflect upon the love our Father has for us. Let us give thanks for the blessing of being a missionary--having a testimony of this gospel and being able to share with others "the hope that is in us".

What a privilege it is to be given a stewardship in the building of the kingdom of our Lord, to know that this work will not be frustrated, to know that the earth is being prepared for Christ to come and reign as King of his people. Let us qualify for the work and lift up our hearts in his service.

I pray that we might face each day with thanksgiving for the blessing of life, excited about the possibilities of a new day--quick to look for the good, determined to exercise love and patience. "This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it."

Sincerely,

Richard Strong

Elder Richard K. Strong

AN ALL-AMERICAN MISSIONARY

by Bob Haynes



It was basketball season! There was an air of excitement as "The Star Spangled Banner" was played. Then as the announcer read their names, each team member bounded onto the floor. First came a center, tall, lean, and accurate, two forwards, quick to shoot, with great rebounding ability, and finally the two guards, not as tall but fast, and deadly when shooting from the outside. The teams outstanding strength and balance had been gained through extensive preparation and conditioning. There was no weak link; each member of the squad was all-important. This was the nation's number one basketball team--an all-American team.

It is the missionary season! What makes an all-American missionary? Just about the same thing. Preparedness, balance, good coaching-- it is the missionary with these in his favor who scores the last second points for victory! He too, can have no weak links in his character. A missionary with the following team of resources would seldom find himself sitting on the bench:

AT CENTER---SPIRITUALITY

This center rarely misses a shot. He developed himself through taking advantage of good coaching by regularly attending church, seminary, and institute classes. He established a daily schedule of fifteen to twenty minutes of gospel study and discovered that by reading approximately six pages a day he could read through all four of the standard works in a year's time. He learned to pray and to communicate with his Father in heaven in sincere and regular prayer. He realized the importance of being able to obtain the help of the Lord and to understand the principles through which he works.

A GUARD---ATTITUDE

This player won't foul out because he prepared himself through accepting responsibilities. He took advantage of opportunities in church and school to work in leadership positions. He indulged in good hard summer work. He is always willing to work hard and to support his leaders in whatever instruction they may give him. He knows that his attitude determines the time it will take him to adjust to the life of a missionary.

A GUARD---PHYSICAL CONDITIONING

This squad member will not tire, for he understands that the physical and mental strains upon a missionary are great and that he must know how to take care of himself. He has taken advantage of chances to participate in church and school athletics and has established well-balanced eating and sleeping habits.

AT FORWARD---LEARNING

This forward never misses his free throws, for he has taken advantage of his schooling to learn to concentrate and study, which is so important to a missionary. He worked especially hard to master the sciences of communication such as English, speech, and foreign language, which would help him to communicate with people.

AT FORWARD---SOCIABILITY

Often the high point man, this squad member has participated in the many programs of the church and school which have helped him develop socially. He knew that this would broaden his understanding of human nature and help him to be more at ease with people.

Yes, it is the missionary season. There is an air of excitement when a person gets a mission call. THIS TEAM OF RESOURCES WILL SCORE FOR HIM IF ITS MASCOTS ARE VIRTUE AND HUMILITY. Be it court or the field, coaching, preparation, and balance make the all-church.

¡QUE OS VAYA BIEN!

MARK DRANSFIELD PETERSON	LEHI, UTAH
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BEN CLAIRE BUNDERSON	BENNINGTON, IDAHO
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DANIEL WATKINS GRAHAM	EL PASO, TEXAS
RICHARD BARRETT PHILLIPS	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

FOR A FEW ELDERS MORE

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ROBERTO ESCALANTE	TEMPE, ARIZONA
GARY ALLEN AITKEN	ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA
BRUCE ALBERT ALLEN	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH
PAUL WAITE	LAYTON, UTAH

ZONE TOTALS -- JUNE 1972

GUATEMALA ZONE 1 (XELA)- - - - -	27 BAPTISMS
GUATEMALA ZONE 2 (GUATEMALA) - - - - -	30 BAPTISMS
EL SALVADOR ZONE 3 (SANTA ANA) - - - - -	19 BAPTISMS
EL SALVADOR ZONE 4 (SAN SALVADOR)- - - - -	18 BAPTISMS
PRESIDENT GLADE- - - - -	<u>1 ALLISON</u>

TOTAL 95

LEVEL THREE TEXTS:

It has been decided by the Missionary Committee that every missionary should have a copy of the Level Three Text. The Missionary Committee has also decided that each missionary should pay for his own text rather than receive one free as originally planned. This is the present plan as new missionaries are buying their text before leaving to come down here. Texts may be purchased from the mission upon your order from your District Leader at a price of \$2.00.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

President and Prophet Joseph Fielding Smith died of a heart attack Sunday night, July 2, at 9:25 p.m. in the home of his son-in-law, Bruce R. McConkie. He was in his 97th year. The new First Presidency of the Church is as follows:

President Harold B. Lee, President
President N. Eldon Tanner, First Counselor
President Marion G. Romney, Second Counselor

There is a vacancy in the Council of the Twelve which will be filled shortly.