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My dear missionary companions,

What a great thrill it was to have three young men and one young woman from our mission recently called to serve full time missions. I had the opportunity of setting each one apart Tuesday, October 5, and felt the determination each had to serve the Lord with all their heart, might, mind and strength, and bring the glorious message of the restored gospel to the many elect to be found in the Central American Mission. I am sure President Hunsaker will find these missionaries to be faithful in their callings and capable of bearing strong testimony to the divinity of Jesus the Christ and the truth that Joseph Smith is a modern-day prophet and through him the Lord chose to initiate this dispensation of the fullness of times. They will likewise testify of the veracity of the Book of Mormon and that it contains the saving principles necessary for every person to gain his salvation and exaltation. I can't help but feel that there are other outstanding young men and women in our mission who, with the proper encouragement and necessary personal sacrifice, can be found worthy to serve full time missions. Help us to find them.

Now let me touch on a theme that came to my attention the other day and see if I can't in some way make the thought come to life in each and every one of you. How often do we talk about faith, hope and charity, without honestly and completely understanding just what charity--the pure love of Christ--can mean to us as missionaries? It is not an easy principle to really put into practice, although it is very easy to talk about. What does it mean to have the pure love of Christ? Moroni does a beautiful job of relating what his father, Mormon, taught regarding faith, hope and charity (Moroni 7:43-48). One must be "meek and lowly of heart" and "confess by the power of the Holy Ghost that Jesus is the Christ" then you will have charity or the pure love of Christ. This is basic to our work as missionaries. Paul wrote to the Corinthians, "And now abide faith, hope and charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity." (I Corinthians 13:13).

Take the time to carefully read and re-read the above mentioned scriptures. Meditate and consider prayerfully the place the pure love of Christ occupies in your missionary life. To the degree that we manifest the pure love of Christ toward our companions, our investigators and members of the Church, we can become the great and excellent missionaries we have been called to be.

Sincerely,

*President & Sister Glade*

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Dear Fellow Companions,

Sitting down to write you is a most humbling experience for us. We feel blessed to serve you in these capacities and hold sacred the wonderful opportunity you have daily to bear witness of the truthfulness of the restored Gospel. We are all very fortunate to be here and experience the love of a Heavenly Father who has provided us such a great opportunity to progress.

We have been thinking of the way in which our lives have been enriched through the influence of great and noble people. Our parents, for example, have spent much of their time in teaching us to be honest and true to our heritage. Sunday School, Primary, MIA and Priesthood teachers have all played an important part in our growth. Many people, members as well as non-members, have influenced our lives for the better. When we think of those who have contributed constructively to our development we respect and love them for it. Those experiences bring warmth to the heart, tears of happiness and appreciation to the soul.

As children or investigators in the Church, all of us esteemed the missionary and dreamed of the day that we could be like him. Today we are that missionary and are actively engaged in a mission of love and influence inconceivable to our feeble senses. We are now affecting the lives of many for the better. Isn't it wonderful to be here!

This is the "Dispensation of the Fullness of Times" and it is not an accident that we are living in it. Here in the mission field we are acquiring attributes, abilities and characteristics of a varied nature, some of which will have a profound effect and influence on us eternally. Through our relationships with companions, patience and brotherly love are developed. Also, through our daily exposure to society we are given the opportunity to observe, compare and set goals as to the level of success we wish to achieve in our life times.

With this in mind we found the words of Elder Richard L. Evans most appropriate and applicable to the missionary work. "Don't ever think you've found a shortcut that will lead to where you want to go. Tell the truth. Live the truth. Live so that you don't have to remember what you said. And remember, there is no such thing as a secret.

"Live so that you can face yourself, your Father in Heaven and all men everywhere.

"Each of you is precious, priceless. Each of you is all he has. Live is all you have. Be kind, be virtuous. Respect and cherish parents. Make prayerful choices. Love and serve sincerely. Live in dignity and honesty and honor."

May we all live true to our callings and serve the Lord in dignity is our prayer.

Faithfully your brethren,

Elder Lowry

Elder Hernández

## miSSionaries and seRvice

"It is not enough to be good, we must do good." In these words, President Harold B. Lee explains the importance of active service in the Kingdom of God. No matter how "good" one's life may be, if this goodness is not translated into active service, the full rewards of the gospel are forfeited.

If we were to assign a virtue to every letter in the word "MISSIONARY", the letter "s" would certainly stand for service and two "s's" require that much more service in our callings. "The true way to serve the Lord is through service to man," declared the late President David O. McKay. And what better service have we as missionaries to offer than that of the guidelines for man's salvation? In today's world, we have services that fix cars and appliances, find jobs, invest money, plan vacations, etc. But none of these services have the profound impact of that which we offer. One elder had this thought: "A missionary affects eternity. He can never tell where his influence stops." Missionary work is the most important service we can do now. Rendering service means to give of one's time for the benefit of others; to use those talents we have for the building up of the kingdom of God; enthruse others to serve by our examples (this we can do by encouraging youth from the mission to serve as full-time missionaries); keep God's commandments; develop a sense of spirituality; "learn his duty and act in the office to which he is appointed, in all diligence," and show ourselves worthy to stand.

This last thought gives rise to another part of service. If the "s" in "missionary" stands for service, then the "r" in "service" must signify "responsibility." Service itself implies responsibility. Regarding responsibility and missionary work, President Wilford Woodruff wrote the following: "Many a time in my reflection, I have wished I could fully comprehend the responsibility I am under to God, and the responsibility every man is under who bears the priesthood in this generation. But I tell you, brethren, I think our hearts are set too much upon the things of this world. We do not appreciate as men bearing the holy priesthood in this generation should, the mighty responsibility we are under to God...as well as to the earth. I think we are too far from the Lord. I do not think we live our religion as we ought to. I do not think our hearts are set upon building up this kingdom as we should be as Latter-Day Saints."

"...I know that if I neglect to bear my testimony to this generation when I have an opportunity, I shall feel sorry for it when I go into the spirit world. That is the way I feel with regard to this work... I realize that we have a testimony to bear, and that we shall be held responsible for the manner in which we perform our duties."

Man was meant for service to God and his fellow man. And the "e" in "service" does not stand for easy, because service and responsibility are constantly demanding us to continue on. Phillip Brooks wrote:

Sad is the day for any man when he becomes absolutely satisfied with the life he is living, the thoughts he is thinking, and the deeds he is doing; when there ceases to be forever beating at the door of his soul a desire to do something which he feels and knows he was meant and intended to do.

We never know when our services will be required. When a missionary accepts the responsibility to serve at all times, he should realize that it is not a part-time job.

"Therefore, O ye that embark in the service of God, see that ye serve him with all your heart, might, mind and strength..."

LOCATION CHART -- OCTOBER, 1971

Abrams	Xela 2	Gonzales	Coatepeque	Nielson, N	Chiquimula
Adams	Jalapa	Graham	Usulután	Nielson, P	San Marcos
Adamson	Sololá	Gudiel	Centro 1	Nye	Ahuachapán
Aguilar	Antigua	Haack	Cipresales	<u>Osborne</u>	Layco
Andelin	Florida 1	Hardy	Villa Nueva	Palmer, D	Zacatecoluca
Andrew	Chimaltenango	<u>Hatch</u>	San Pedro	Palmer, V	Sololá
Ardmore	Office	Hawkins	Delgado 2	Park	Patzicía
Ball, CW	Chaparrist.	Heaps	Usulután	Paulson	Layco
<u>Balls</u>	Soyapango	Hegerhorst	Centro 2	Pearson	Centro 1
Baria	Mazate 1	Hernandez	Office	Peterson, L	Cuscatlán
Bennion	Branch 5	Hillery	Chiquimula	Peterson, M	Antigua
Beterson	Sta. Lucía C	Hoenshell	Escuintla	Peterson, MC	Lourdes
Beutler	Zacamil	Hone	Mejicanos	Phillips	San Jacinto
<u>Blacker</u>	Jocotales	Hughes	Jocotales	<u>Platt</u>	Patzún
Borquist	Xela 1	<u>Jackson</u>	La Merced	Purdy	Office
Bowen	San Marcos	<u>James</u>	Xela 3	Quantz	Ward 4
Boydston	Cipresales	Jenke	Ward 3	Rappleye	Mazate 2
<u>Brimhall</u>	Chalchuapa	Johanson	Xela 2	<u>Reed, JW</u>	Ward 6
Bunderson	Jutiapa	Jolley	Office	<u>Reed, R</u>	Florida 1
<u>Dandy</u>	Ward 6	Jones	Reu 1	Rhodes	Huehuetenango
Burk	Reu 2	Keate	Villa Nueva	<u>Rohrer</u>	Patzún
Bushman	Reu 1	Kellett	Lourdes	Ross	Chimaltenango
Buttars	Sonsonate	Kleinman	Zacamil	Sanders	Momostenango
Cacuango	Office	Koeliker	Atiquizaya	Saunders	Ahuachapán
<u>Call, RD</u>	Barrio Nuevo	Kusch	Reu 2	Seegmiller	Office
<u>Call, SW</u>	Layco	Lamoreaux	Ward 4	Shelley	Delgado 1
<u>Callan</u>	Xela 3	<u>Lanenga</u>	Layco lower	Shirley	Sta. Lucía
Canon	Momostenango	Larson	Belén	Simons	Santa Tecla
Carbine	Ward 6	Lauritzen	El Quiché	Solano	Office
Chávez	Ward 2	Lemus	San Pedro	Sorenson	Barrio Nuevo
Choney	Monserrat 1	Lippincott	Jutiapa	Stanley	Xela 1
Cluff	Florida 2	Lloyd	Escuintla	Strong	Ward 3
Cook	Milagro	Lowry	Office	Stuart	Mejicanos
Cooper	Centro 2	Lunceford	Cuscatlán	Swallow	Ward 5
<u>Cornish</u>	Layco	Machula	Office	Tafoya	Coatepeque
<u>Crest</u>	Soyapango	Mackay	Ward 2	Taylor, D	Zacapa
<u>Crosby</u>	Totonicapán	Magyar	Ward 1	Taylor, V	El Quiché
Cuff	Belén	Mahoney	Jalapa	Teel	Milagro
<u>Davis, DK</u>	Branch 5	Mangum	Huehuetenango	Terry	Chalchuapa
<u>Davis, LB</u>	Monserrat 1	Marquez	Ward 6	Thompson	Cuscatlán
DeWaal	Antigua	Marsh	Office	<u>Torres</u>	El Modelo
Diehl	La Merced	Martino	Zacapa	Valle	Ward 1
Dominguez	Zacatecoluca	Martinson	Ward 5	Wallace	Office
Duerden	Office	Matheson	Sta. Lucía C	Weaver	San Jacinto
Evans	El Molino	Mauzy	Delgado 1	Whipple	Sta. Anita
Farnsworth	Mazate 1	Meiendez	Ward 2	Williams	Delgado 1
<u>Francis</u>	Layco	McDonald	Mejicanos	Woodman	Sta. Lucía
<u>Fryar</u>	Florida 2	Miller	Totonicapán	Wright, Scott	Chaparrist.
Galbraith	Mejicanos	<u>Monson</u>	Ward 2	Wright, Steve	Sonsonate
Gamero	Antigua	<u>Morris</u>	Barrio Nuevo	Young, D	El Molino
<u>Gardner</u>	Santa Anita	Mortenson	Cuscatlán	Young, V	Barrio Nuevo
<u>Gillespie</u>	Mazate 2	Moulton	Santa Tecla	Zollinger	El Modelo
Goma	Atiquizaya	Myers	Patzicía		

## ZONE SUMMARIES

Guatemala Zone climbed to 68 baptisms for the month of September, the highest baptizing zone in the Mission. Elder Bundy and Elder J. Reed, zone leaders, credit their success to an effort among the districts to apply and obey the mission rules. Hopes are high for the coming month as the Guatemala International Fair is scheduled to open October 30 and the Mission will have a large exhibition in it. Several districts from the city have been out to help work on the exhibit. Top district in the zone this month was that of the zone leaders and a goal of 100 baptisms has been set for the zone in the coming month.

Going into the fair business also is the Xela Zone. The members of Totonicapán raised \$55 for construction of their chapel running a corridor in the town's annual fair. The Xela Fair on September 15 was also "Mormonized" with an impressive exposition which has initiated a wider use of the open house and other such teaching techniques in the zone. In Mazatenango, the elders had a crowd of 170 out to their end-of-the-month fireside and movie. Also, mindful of the audit, the zone is combing the hills in an effort to terminate this project before the deadline.

San Salvador suffered a few health problems this month as Elder Francis, zone leader, went to the hospital for an appendectomy. He is now doing fine. District fasts with parents and friends joining in helped the unity and spirituality this month. Open houses aided immensely in creating a strong spirit among the missionaries, investigators and members; more such activities are being planned for the upcoming month. Further consolidation and rearranging of the branches in the San Salvador District is resulting in increasing strength in the district there.

Santa Ana Zone is proud of their zone unity which the zone leaders attribute to the district activities held each Monday. An increase in the number of lessons given in the month of September resulted from the interdistrict lesson competition. Valuing group lessons at three points each caused an upsurge in the use of this mission program and the elders gave an average of 9.5 lessons per pair (the sisters also). The emphasis on bringing families and priesthood holders into the Church to strengthen the branches of Santa Ana District is being followed through with many high-quality baptisms this past month.

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In these latter days, we are not asked to make the great personal sacrifices that some of the Church's early leaders had to. We are only asked to love our neighbor enough that we will put aside the fear of man and ask the Golden Questions. When we realize that others have endured many more hardships to fulfil the same commandment, is it too much to ask that we strive to do as Jesus did? Just as faith in the Lord Jesus Christ is the first principle of the Lord, fear is a principle of the devil. Just as darkness cannot be where light is, Satan has been banished from the Lord's presence for the spirit of evil cannot be where the Lord is. When doing missionary work we must use the Lord's principle of faith and overcome fear, because we cannot do the Lord's work with the devil's tools. We can conclude that where there is faith, there can be no fear; and where there is fear, there can be no faith; and faith in Christ is the first principle of success in missionary endeavors.

OFFICE MEMOS

The contest was ended, Elijah had won while the prophets of Baal had lost. Jezebel was infuriated and determined to put an end to Elijah. He was the troubler, the upsetter. After all, had he not said, "How long halt ye between two opinions? If the Lord be God, follow him; but if Baal, then follow him"?

Elijah knew of her madness and of the people's hard hearts. Apparently even the fire from heaven consuming the sacrifice to the true God had only served to heighten the people's allegiance to Baal. Elijah was perplexed. Could it really be? After all this, they still wouldn't serve the Lord? They must not love the light.

Then he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree; and requested for himself that he might die; and said, It is enough."

We all have lessons to learn, but we can be sure that if we do our duty as Elijah, all will be well. The audit may seem to burden us, dishearten us, discourage us. To finish it is what is needed now. Then will come the peace. That's what happened to Elijah. He was on the Lord's errand and became discouraged. Through a "still, small voice" he received uplift and courage to carry on in spite of all against him. That impression is as if he were told, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." He was ready to go again. It can be the same with us. Let's finish our errand of the audit so we can go on to other things.

Elder Machula  
Membership Secretary

Dear Elders,

One month has now passed since we began to work with the temple excursion. At that time we asked your help in getting people enthused. In our travels around the mission we have seen the results of your work and that of the local officials. I would like to express my appreciation for the fine job you have done in encouraging the members.

The time that is left for working with the interested members is short. These members should have all of the necessary papers and documents prepared as soon as possible so that we can be assured of not last minute problems. A few of the interested members are still a little hesitant and have not begun to take the steps necessary to prepare to leave with the excursion. Again we need your help. Some of you had the opportunity to baptize people who are now considering the trip or now have sufficient time in the Church to be able to go to the temple. A letter of encouragement from you to these people, explaining the blessings they will receive and animating them to take the steps necessary to attend the temple this year and continued efforts with the members where you are now working will be appreciated.

Thank you for your endeavors in helping the members of the Guatemala-El Salvador Mission to enjoy and receive the same blessings of the temple that you now have. May the Lord be with you always and help you in your callings and in preparing the members of the Church materially and spiritually to go to the House of the Lord.

Elder Solano  
Temple Excursion Director



INTERFER '71

"Christ in America" and "Man's Search for Happiness" will be the two central themes of the Mission exhibition in the Guatemala International Fair scheduled to open October 30 in Guatemala City's "Parque Industrial."

Under the supervision of Brother H.V. Overson, area supervisor of construction, members of the office staff have been bending a nail or two constructing the parts of the pre-fabricated building in the mission home garage. Finally taken from the garage September 20, everything fell into place over at the fairgrounds and despite minor mistakes all has remained standing. When fully completed, the 18 foot by 26 foot building will be carpeted, wood paneled and feature many of the large, exposition-sized posters of Christ in America and Man's Search for Happiness. A small theater in the back section of the building will be used to present the film strip "Christ in America."

This will be an ideal opportunity to introduce more people to the gospel and the two themes of the exhibit will attract many people who are really interested in finding the truth. The exposition will be an excellent missionary tool and we encourage missionaries to recommend the exhibit to their investigators and bring them to it if possible.

We wish to thank President Glade, Elder Duerden, Elder Wallace, Elder Purdy, and missionaries working in districts in the city for the time they have been putting into the construction and success of the exhibit. Special thanks go to Brother Overson for his tremendous help in building this exhibit and the time he has taken to show the elders what to do. His aid undoubtedly will make this exhibit a success and help bring more people into the Church.

Elder César Cacuango  
Interfer '71 Director

#2 DISTRICT -- SEPTEMBER 1971

ZL-Bundy	ZL-J.W. Reed--Ward 6	Total baptisms-----23
Carbine-Cook	Ward 6	Baptisms per pair-----7.6
Keate-Martinson	Villa Nueva	Points per baptism----2.8
		Points per missionary-10.7

TOP DISTRICT -- SEPTEMBER 1971

DL-Balls	DLC-Woodman----Soyapango	Total baptisms-----25
MC Peterson-Kellet	Lourdes	Baptisms per pair-----6.3
Ardmore-Shirley	Santa Lucía	Points per baptism----3.9
D Palmer-Dominguez	Zacatecoluca	Points per missionary-12.0

Tired of beans and rice for your daily menu? Spark up your tired palet by teaching a few new recipes to the people where you live. Usual they are most happy to try a few new things that will please their guests. This month in the Avante, we include a few, simple recipes to add variety to your menus. This is not meant to encourage missionaries to begin cooking for themselves!

QUICK PANCAKES

1 3/4 cup milk	2 cups flour
2 eggs	2 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/4 cup oil	1 teaspoon salt

Have all the ingredients at room temperature. Mix everything together, but do not overbeat. Pour about 1/2 cup batter on a lightly greased, pre-heated griddle. When bubbles form, turn with spatula until golden brown. Makes about 18-20 4 inch pancakes. If the batter is a little thick, add milk or water to thin it to your liking. (Powdered milk may be used instead of whole milk).

ENCHILADA CASSEROLE

1 pound ground meat	20 tortillas
1/2 pound red beans colados or refried	1/4 cup chopped onions
1 can tomato paste	1/2 cup chopped tomatoes
	1 cup water

Brown ground meat and drain off grease. Season with salt, pepper and chopped onion. Mix meat with beans and put about 1 tablespoon of mixture on a tortilla, roll up and place in casserole dish. Top with tomato paste mixed with 1 cup water, chopped tomato, salt, and pepper. Add grated cheese. Bake for 30 minutes in moderate oven. Makes four very large servings.

-MISSIONISMS-

THE FIFTH LESSON

Elder Vernon Taylor



Art work by Elder Ardmore

