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Dear Fellow Missionaries,

At this time of year the warmth and joy of the Gospel of Jesus Christ seem especially dear to us, as we are sure they are to you, and we pause to wonder at the goodness of our Heavenly Father in allowing us to be a part of the glorious plan which promises to the faithful so much joy now and through the eternities. And what an even greater opportunity and blessing that we have been given to give of ourselves, our time, and our talents, to this greatest of all occupations—ordained ministers of our Lord Jesus Christ. What better way is there than to represent Him, and to share His gospel with the wonderful people here in Guatemala and El Salvador.

The Christmas spirit means many things. It is a time of many rich traditions. Christmas trees, colored lights, lots of good food, and family togetherness are just a few. Even more important is the feeling we experience in our hearts as we celebrate the birth of the Son of God. We seem to radiate the virtues that He taught us, more than during any other time of the year. Love, kindness, respect, humility and sacrifice become more a part of our behaviour.

As missionaries, Christmas means all of this but also much more. We are ambassadors of Christ! We are the only ordained ministers that can act in His Name! We represent Jesus Christ to the entire world. We must be the epitome of the true christian.

This Christmas, let's analyze ourselves and rededicate ourselves to become more like Him, showing greater love for our fellow missionaries and the Central American people, sacrificing our own time and desires for others.

As the Christmas Season draws near we would like to reaffirm our sure knowledge that God lives and that the Christmas Season which we celebrate in reality does commemorate the birth of our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ, who did establish His Church on the earth in the Meridian of Time and sacrificed His life that we might live. We confirm to all mankind that the Church of Jesus Christ is here upon the earth today in all its pureness and glory.

May peace be yours always,

Sincerely Your Companions

President and Sister Glade

President of Sister Glade

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November and December are two months of gratitude. We are grateful because they mark the end of another year which we have survived and signal the promise of a new year in which we can do better. In November we celebrate Thanksgiving Day, a time to meditate and ponder the bounteous goodness of our Father in Heaven; in December we commemorate the birth of the greatest gift He has given mankind—His Son, Jesus Christ. Gratitude perhaps more than Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas should be the by—words of the season.

Joseph F. Smith wrote: "We are almost daily put under obligation to one another, especially to friends and acquaintances, and the sense of obligation creates within us feelings of thankfulness and appreciation which we call gratitude. The spirit of gratitude is always pleasant and satisfying because it carries with it a sense of helpfulness to others, it begets love and friendship, and engenders divine influence. Gratitude is said to be the memory of the heart."

But the lack of gratitude gives rise to vanity and pride in a person. Thomas Gibbons expresses ingratitude beautifully in the following verse:

That man may last, but never lives Who much receives, but nothing gives Whom none can love, whom none can thank Creation's blot, creation's blank.

"The grateful man sees so much in the world to be thankful for," stated President Smith, "and with him the good outweighs the evil. Love overpowers jealousy, and light drives darkness out of his life. Pride destroys our gratitude and sets up selfishness in its place. How much happier we are in the presence of a grateful and loving soul, and how careful we should be to cultivate, through the medium of a prayerful life, a thankful attitude toward God and man!"

What makes the Christmas season so sweet that it saddens us to lose it so soon? It is the love and gratitude expressed toward man and God that abound during this time. But what law says that Christmas must be forgotten when the tinsel is packed away, the cards thrown out, and the lights taken down. Gratitude does not need holly and a wreath to be the same.

Gratitude is simple—no deposit—no return, one of those no strings attached deals— and it should be, because it is sincere. An act of apparent kindness can never result in good when it is intended to put any man under obligations which hinder his freedom. Gratitude of others toward us has a beautiful and lasting charm and that is the gratitude that we as members and missionaries of the Church of Jesus Christ should enjoy. Gratitude is like love—it comes from within us.

To give is the key to gratitude. We give as missionaries and we will continue to give all of our lives. We appreciate and are grateful for that which we have to give and those who receive from us appreciate and are grateful for that which they receive. In this way we cultivate gratitude and interweave it into the fabric of our lives.

A CHRISTMAS TO REMEMBER

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

And all went to be taxed, everyone into his own city.
And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city
of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is
called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage
of David:)

To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

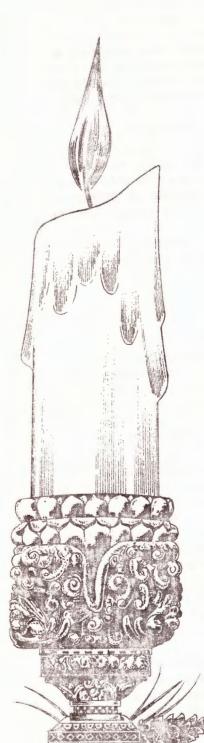
And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

Luke 2: 1-16

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counseler, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6

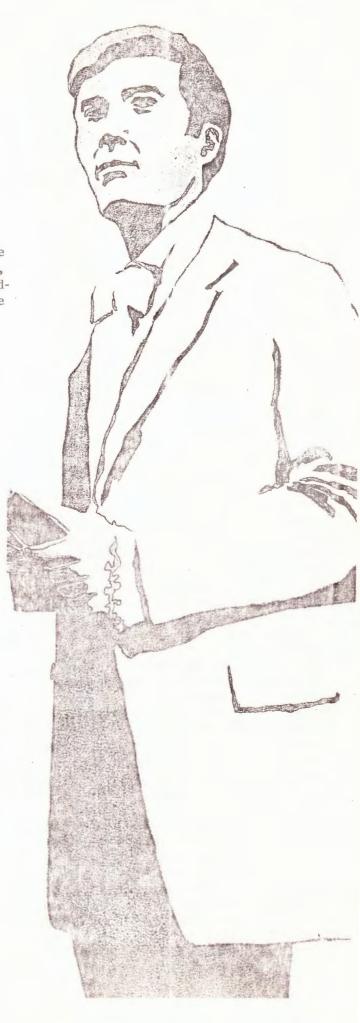


ecember 23, 1805, was a date that changed the lives of millions of people. On that date in the humble town of Sharon, Vermont, a child was born. No one took special notice. No one realized that the young boy would change the world. There were no newscasts. Joseph's birth was unheralded, and he began what appeared to be an unheralded life. Fourteen years later, an experience of a few minutes completely changed that life. As Joseph himself stated, "I had seen a vision; I knew it, and I knew that God knew it, and I could not deny it, neither dared I do it: at least I knew that by so doing I would offend God, and come under condemnation," (Joseph Smith 2:25)

Thus a boy of sparse educational training and humble background was called to be a prophet of God. Thus the world began to see the countless truths that had been lost for so many centuries. Thus began the restoration of the Church of Jesus Christ. Learned men mocked him, the masses scorned him, the powerful feared him, and the sincere believed him. God had chosen Joseph to bring forth to the world the light of the Eternal Gospel of Jesus Christ, which would never again be taken from the earth.

Years passed. The Gospel came forth. Joseph suffered and thrilled as each new facet was revealed. Persecution grew. The Church grew. Side by side the two grew as Joseph continued to be the focal point of both sides. Love and revered by many; hated, feared, and scorned by many more. Tension increased, and Joseph sensed the end was near. "I am going like a lamb to the slaughter" he stated, "and it shall yet be said of me—He was murdered in cold blood." (Doctrine and Covenants 135:4)

"To seal (his) testimony...we announce the martyrdom of Joseph Smith the Prophet." (Doctrine and Covenants 135:1). The life that began unheralded concluded as a banner to the wakening world.



LOCATION CHART -- DECEMBER 8, 1971

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He was just a little lad And on that Sabbath Day, Was walking home from Sunday School And dawdling on his way. He scuffed his shoes into the grass And found a caterpillar, He picked a fluffy milk weed pod And blew out all the filler A bird's nest in a tree o'erhead So neatly placed on high, Was just another wonder That caught his eager eye. A neighbor watched his zig-zag course And hailed him from the lawn Asked him where he'd been that day And what was going on, "Oh, I've been to Sunday School," He said, as he kicked a piece of sod And found a snail beneath it And thought it rather odd. "A very fine way," the neighbor said, "For a boy to spend his time. "If you'll tell me where God is, "I'll give you this brand new dime." Quick as a flash his answer came, Nor was his accent faint. "I'll give you a dollar mister, "If you'll tell me where God ain't!"

God's Love



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Steven Laird Morgan
John Clarence Cameron
Timothy H. Barrus
Steven Ross Clark
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Roy H. Maughan
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TOP DISTRICT -- NOVEMBER 1971

DL-Monson-Mackay Chávez-Melendez Farnsworth-Matheson Lloyd-Andrew Quantz-Lamoreaux	Ward 2 Ward 2 Sta. Lucía C. Escuintla Ward 4	Total baptisms26 Baptisms per pair5.2 Points per baptism3.84 Points per missionary-10.0
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#2 DISTRICT -- NOVEMBER 1971

DL-Strong-McQuarrie	Ward	3	Total baptisms18
Saunders-Larson	Ward	1	Baptisms per pair6
Magyar-Valle	Ward	3	Points per baptism2,75
			Points per missionary-8.25