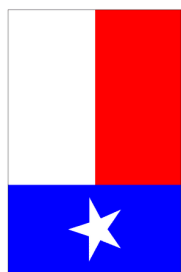




Texas Lubbock Mission

The Longhorn

March - April 2008



Baptisms March-April/2008:

Lubbock Zone

Mandie Dionne Reynolds
Zoie Maddison Hoffman
Mandi Kay Tipa
April Khrystyne Schaeffer
Lyndel Gus Orcut
Natalie Nicole Martin
Rikki Renae Thompson
Sonia Amelia Hernandez
Juan Jose Hernandez
Mary Elizabeth Estrello
Cassandra Elaine Estrello
Pamela Danielle Estrello

Odessa Zone

Raymond Rex Kiles
Emily Jade Marin
Cristina Madrid Marin
Enrique Salcido Diaz
Irvin Truman Moore
Herlberto Reyes
Martin Jesus Calderon
Larry Lee Perkins
Kaylan Dale Eaton
Joshua Fink
Randy Mier

Abilene Zone

Michael Lanier
Laura Ashley Firebaugh
Misti Allen
Thomas Carl Lathan
Annestasia Leann Bryant
Patricia Landvatter
John Allen Stertz
Amy Gordon
Shannon Dawn Ekberg
Joann Thalman
Keith John Ekberg Jr.
David A. Williams Jr.
Krista Ellen Phillips

Sara E. Fisher
Park K. Gerberg
Jason M. Kuss
John F. Miller
Vanessa E. Lusby



Amarillo Zone

George William Steinberg
Herminio Serrano Vega
Morales
Deborah Arlene Brown
Connie Jean Morales
Malea Nicole McWest
Angel Juliana Marytza Silva
Cheyenne Aurora Hall

Roswell Zone

Shelby Elizabeth Silversmith
Edward Charles Miranda
Santana Benita Contreras
Jamee Lyn McDaniel
Misty L. Morgan
Brandon Saied Jimenez
Thomas Christopher Knapp
David Alexander Magruder
Johnathan T. Morales
Jared Lee Ray McDaniel
Cozette Lenee Brown

You Are Loved!

My seventh great grandfather, Andrew Rose, was baptized by the Prophet Joseph Smith in Ontario, Canada, on Joseph Smith's first missionary journey outside the United States. He was with the prophet and the saints in Far West, MO, when they were forced by mob violence to abandon their homes and possessions. He was with the prophet and the saints in Nauvoo when, again, they were forced to leave their homes and possessions, in the middle of the winter, down Parley Street, across the frozen Mississippi River, and into the frozen prairies of Iowa. He died on the South Platte River while crossing the plains with the saints. Why did he do it? Why was he willing to sacrifice all that he possessed, time and time again, and in the end offer up his life in crossing the plains?

Although, in truth, I hardly feel worthy to stand in the same company with my grandfather, Andrew Rose, three years ago, Sister Rose and I left our family, our home, my profession, law firm and clients, income, retirement contributions, and savings, with the prospect now of having to start over upon our return home. Why did I do it?

Why was Andrew Rose willing to do it, and why was Brent Rose willing to do it? Because he knew, and I know, that Joseph Smith was a prophet of the Almighty God!! He knew and I know that God the Father and His Son, Jesus Christ, appeared to the prophet Joseph Smith on the sacred ground in the grove near his log cabin home. He knew and I know that Joseph Smith translated the Book of Mormon by the gift and power of God, and that this book of books stands as a second witness that Jesus is the Christ and as convincing evidence that Joseph Smith is His prophet, called and foreordained in the pre-mortal world to be the great prophet of the restoration of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in this final dispensation of time, preparatory to the coming of the Son of Man again upon the earth. Because he knew it, and I know it, there is no sacrifice that we are unwilling to make in the cause of sharing and spreading forth this glorious truth, and in living and serving to build up the kingdom of God upon the earth. I bear my witness that this work is God's work, the greatest, most important work in the world.

Sister Rose and I are so grateful that we have had the privilege of serving in this glorious work with each and every one of you. We've said it countless times before, and we shall never tire of saying it – we love each one of you with all our hearts.

Shall we not go on in so great a cause? Onward and upward we go elders and sisters, until the great Jehovah shall say: "The work is done!" Hurrah for Israel!!

President Rose

PMG Quote of this Issue

"Our duty is to preach the gospel to all men...This is what God expects of us"

-President John Taylor
The Gospel Kingdom, sel. G.
Homer Durham [1943], 234-35



New Missionaries!

April:

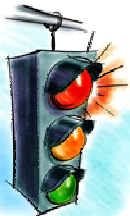
Elder Allred – Attalla, AL
 Elder Coy – Orem, UT
 Elder Harber – Las Vegas, NV
 Elder Hardy - Menan, ID
 Elder Luebke - Orem, UT
 Elder Maybee - North Salt Lake, UT
 Elder Millard– Orderville, UT
 Elder Nielsen - Riverton, UT
 Elder Shumway - Provo, UT
 Elder Vance - Spanish Fork, UT
 Elder Warner - West Valley City, UT
 Elder Wong - DDO, QC, Canada

Ordering Supplies From Distribution

The Policy on ordering supplies from Distribution has changed. The policy will now be: When we receive your money, we will order you the items.

“You will have all kinds of trials to pass through. And it is quite as necessary for you to be tried as it was for Abraham and other men of God, and (said he) God will feel after you, and He will take hold of you and wrench your very heart strings, and if you cannot stand it you will not be fit for an inheritance in the Celestial Kingdom of God.”

-Joseph Smith, quoted by President John Taylor (In Bowery, June 18, 1883 JD24:197)



Thank you for being more careful on the roads. After such a high number of accidents in March and April, there has been significantly less so far in May. Please continue to respect the Lord's property through careful and attentive driving.

-Elder Bell
 Vehicle Coordinator



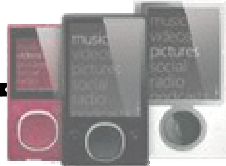
Welcome!

Sale

Elder Armstrong is selling his bike. It is a Specialized Hardrock with Disk Brakes. It is 2 or 3 years old. \$100 OBO



Elder Hewitt is Selling his Zune. Like New. Loaded With Music and Accessories. Call the Mission Office for details.



BIRTHDAYS

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| March: | May : |
| S. Adamson 01 | E. Romero 03 |
| E. Wheeler 03 | E. Brandon 06 |
| E. Hibbert 08 | E. Ward 10 |
| E. Veatch 10 | S. Trickler 11 |
| E. Pugh 11 | E. Evans 12 |
| E. Millard 16 | E. Librandi 13 |
| E. Wong 18 | E. Erdmann 15 |
| E. Bringhurst 21 | S. Rose 16 |
| E. Hess 21 | E. Abbott 17 |
| E. Ence 22 | E. Pyle 18 |
| E. Warner 22 | E. Kemp 22 |
| E. Bischoff 26 | E. Farnsworth 23 |
| E. Pace 26 | E. Larrabee 23 |
| E. Pendergraft 26 | E. Armstrong 24 |
| E. Van Orden 30 | E. Chucay 25 |
| April : | E. Romney 25 |
| E. Ipson 03 | E. Erkman 27 |
| E. Maybee 07 | June: |
| P. Rose 21 | E. Johnson 01 |
| E. Johnson 27 | E. Griffin 02 |
| E. Dennison 29 | S. Romero 02 |
| | E. Hardy 04 |
| | E. Lofgran 05 |
| | E. Hewitt 08 |
| | E. Nielsen 10 |
| | E. Blackmer 13 |
| | E. Duffy 18 |
| | E. Auten 20 |
| | E. Griggs 21 |
| | S. Bingham 25 |
| | E. Erickson 25 |

Dear Elders and Sisters,

I am so thankful for all the wonderful work you do in bringing our brothers and sisters to the waters of baptism. But that is not the end! Just as your investigators have to endure to the end after baptism and confirmation, we must do our part after their baptisms! Make sure to send in your baptismal records! Without these records the church does not recognize their baptism. Your work comes to nothing if I do not get those baptismal records. I am thankful for all those who send in their baptism and confirmation records quickly, but I would also ask those of you who do not to please send them in a more timely manner. Remember, there is no purpose to work if we do not harvest the rewards of our labours! So please make sure to send in those baptismal records or your investigator's baptism and confirmation will not be recognized. Thank You!

~Elder Hewitt

Referral Reminders:

- Elders and Sisters, each Monday the office staff goes into a meeting with President Rose. In that meeting we are expected to report on our respective stewardships from the past week - mine being Referrals. Each week I print off a sheet that has percentages of referrals contacted and which of them have been contacted in the first 24 hours. Elders and Sisters, we want to have 100% on that sheet each week. I am expected to report those missionaries that are shirking their responsibility. So it is important that you contact the referrals that you receive within the first 24 hours and then let me know how it went. If you do not have time to go to their house you can at least call them throughout the day to contact them. So please just get it done.

Thanks for your cooperation.
 Elder Pace



Departed Missionaries April 2008

Elder Adams
 Elder Alvey
 Elder Anderson
 Elder Evans
 Elder Hester
 Elder Lamb
 Elder Murphy
 Sister Price
 Elder Sadbury
 Sister Schneider

