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## EXTRA EXTRA The Utah Ogden Mission Brings 213 Souls Unto Christ in Month of November!!

### President's Message JOY TO THE WORLD

Dear Elders and Sisters.

This is the season of joy and rejoicing for the Savior did come and will come again to redeem all who believe on His name. Like a blanket of snow, the spirit of Christmas covers the world. During the holiday season it seems there is a different spirit in the air. It seems like a reoccurring miracle year after year. The feelings of mankind turn toward the Savior of the world. It is God's way of sending a testimony unto the world that Jesus of Nazareth is His Son; that the atonement was accomplished and is for everyone. With the beauty of the season and the very carols that fill the air it is the perfect atmosphere for proselyting for the elect - to bring joy of the Son to the entire world.

At this busy season perhaps, as a personal representative of the Lord Jesus Christ, we can give generously of the Spirit of Christ to everyone. ... "as we talk of Christ,... rejoice in Christ,... preach of Christ,... prophesy of Christ, and ... write according to our prophecies, that our children may know of what source they may look for a remission of their sins." (2 Nephi 25:26)

### You are the BEST Elders and Sisters!!

What an incredible month we had in November!! The mission has finally met the initial goal of 200 baptisms. We know it is the Lord blessing us because of your diligence and hard work. With so many souls coming unto Christ the big concern of retention will be most important. Make sure the appropriate steps are taken to help these precious sheep come fully into the fold.

Let us now put a greater effort into bringing sheep back. There are so many great experiences ready to be had. Make appointments to go and see the bishops to help guide us to the elect. The Less active members of the Church often have friends and family who are not In kind gentle ways, let us bring the peace and hope of Christmas to all who are willing to make room in their hearts for the Savior. Let the message of joy fill your every action. Follow the promptings in Psalm 98:4 "make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth: make a loud noise and rejoice, and sing praise."

The Lord has taken notice of your increased personal righteousness, faith and bold efforts. He has poured out his blessings to each of you and upon our mission. Our Father in Heaven continues to provide us with special experiences and many, many, many more souls coming unto Christ. You are incredible, we love you and pray for you continually. At this Christmas season fill your hearts with joy and majesty. May your mission be an everlasting precious experience for you personally and for everyone you serve.

MERRY CHRISTMAS Love, President and Sister Jones

members. What a wonderful resource we have for finding. Lets tap into it and the blessings will start flowing. We will have sharper teaching skills and the Lord will bless us with many teaching opportunities with both the less active and non members.

Elders and Sisters, a proper balance will be so vital this month to avoid a big drop. The real test is to see if we can keep up this momentum. We know you can!! Keep up the great work that you do!!

Love, (We know ya do) Elders Rausch and Anderson

### IN ONE WEEK'S TIME

We received a call from a member family with a referral to tract a less-active family. We set up an appointment, met with the Bailey family and taught a first discussion. During the discussion we used the 'Proselyting for the Elect' approach by using the 'Holy Ghost Dialogue' and the 'Joseph Smith Pray Now'. During the Joseph Smith Pray Now, Brother and Sister Bailey were really touched and crying. After the Joseph Smith Pray Now, I asked Brother and Sister Bailey to prepare themselves to become worthy to partake of the sacrament, pray and read daily. They were so excited to say yes. We also asked them to attend church the next Sunday.

The next appointment was one week later and Elder Rorie went by himself because of missionary splits. When I arrived, Brother Bailey said, "surprise, we are getting married again.". They were married before, had divorced, but had never remarried. They had two children, one 8 and one 6 years old.

The next time I met with them, they had remarried. Brother Bailey said that "In One Weeks Time" his life had totally changed and he and his family's life is so much better. He feels they are on the road back to Christ. Sister Bailey said they have testimonies of Joseph Smith and the Book of Mormon now. After reading, praying and studying during the week, they said they are going to become active and worthy. I asked them that night if they would become worthy to be sealed in the temple within the next year. They started crying again and said "yes", they would. Their goals for 1999 are to become sealed in the temple and for Brother Bailey to baptize their son.

You can only imagine how I felt as we saw the Spirit touch the lives of these people. It was so awesome. A definite journal entry.

With Love, Elder Rorie and Kasallis

The Vision

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Attn.: The Vision Utah Ogden Mission 2133 Washington Blvd. Ogden, UT 84401 The Utah Ogden Missionaries spread their wings and surpass an eleven year goal. 213 Baptisms



### "Simple Things" by Elder T. A. Hill

Two thousand years ago, He walked among us, Held out this hand, asked us to come near. Upon the dusty paths, He bade us follow, Upon the shore said things, for us to hear...

Simple Things, he said

Simple Things, to change a life.

Simple Things, to bring a world to Him.

Not for a glory of his own,

But, to bring us safely home.

Simple Things, He said, love one another.

He cannot spare us pain, nor can He shield us, On the battle field of life, we must yet fight But not alone, for still He stands among us, And bathes us in the radiance of is light.

Simple Things, He said.
Simple Things, to change a life.
Simple Things, to bring a world to him.
Not for a glory of his own,
But to bring us safely home.
Simple Things, he said, love one another.

He asked you, are you ready?

To trust yourself into His care?

Are you ready to become a fisher of men?

He asked, and you answered show to me where...

And I'll go do, those Simple Things.

I will choose, those Simple Things.

I will go, and bring a soul to him.

Not for a glory of my own,

But to guide them safely home...

Simple Things, I'll do.
I'll love my brother.
Simple Things, I'll do.
I'll teach my brother.
Simple Things... He said,
Love One Another.

### Study Schedule

Week 49 Dec 6 - Gathering of Israel

Week 50 Dec 13 - Kingdom of God on Earth

Week 51 Dec 20 - Example

Week 52 Dec 27 - Own Choice



### The Ward Find

The ward find is a great way to get the members excited about missionary work. We invited all of the ward missionaries, the Bishop and counselor, The Elders Quorum President, and counselors, the young men and young women's president and one of their counselors. Everyone met at the church at 6:30. Elder Rorie and myself welcomed everyone and threw in the magical "will you" video by Elder Dallas Merr. The "will you" video brings in the spirit, trains and pumps people up all in 23 short minutes. Our testimonies followed.

After the pump-up session we distributed the list of names of non-members, part member families and inactives that needed to be invited. Between us, the Bishop, and all the auxiliaries, we came up with quite a good list. The results: everyone there caught, or at least felt the spirit of missionary work. We set up two first discussions with an inactive family. When we met back everyone was sharing experiences and gabbing like excited school kids that just got home from a field trip. The Lord definitely had His hand in that night. Many of the names on our lists had been prepared by the spirit and were just waiting for an invitation. The fire has been lit under that ward and we plan on building a bonfire out of our stakes, one ward at a time.

To get started: visit the Bishop, explain the idea and ask for a few minutes at the P.E.C. meeting. Use the time there to set a day and time for the ward find. Get the auxiliaries and Bishop to come up with lists of people that need to be contacted part-member families, non-members and in-actives. Meet in the next P.E.C. meeting to finalize who is visiting who. Follow up with everyone through out the week and the night before to remind them to be there. It takes a lot of work, phone calls and follow up but it is worth it.

Love, Elders Kasallis and Rorie

# Teach and find through the less active!!!

### **Memorization Hymn:**

#98 I Need Thee Every Hour

### SPECIAL RECOGNITION

High Bapt, Stake ZONES	Thayne Wyoming Stake	8
Highest Baptizing:	Ogden	28
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Highest Teaching:	Ogden	229
Most BOM's Placed:	Ogden	686
Most Adds:	South Ogden	59
Companionships	right and the	
Highest Baptizing:	Elders Ruiz, Wallace	8
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Highest Teaching:	Elders Gibson, Jimenez	49
Most BOM's Placed:	Elders Labiszak, Hutson	142
Most Adds:	Elders Laurens, Armenta	12
Companionships b	aptizing 4 or more in Nove	ember
Elders Pederson, Akar		7
Elders Jordan, Merkur		6
Elders Hubler, Pollack		6
Elders Campos, Cruz		5
Sisters Turley, Gisa		5
Sisters Hansen, Majeroni		5
Elders Saunders, Drin		5
Elders Clayton, Turner		4
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Elders Buckner, Camp		4
Elders Hess, Lewis		4
Elders Wagner, Barthe	olet	4
Elders Gibson, Jimene		4
Elders Anderson, John		4
Elders Hiller, Nelson	ne can predict to	G (4/4)
Sisters Grimnes, Minn	s, Zulbayer	4

The High Teaching car goes to Elders Gibson and Jimenez. Their hard work pays off with four baptisms for November.



### **Memorization Scripture:**

"And after they had been received unto baptism, and were wrought upon and cleansed by the power of the Holy Ghost, they were numbered among the people of the church of Christ; and their names were taken, that they might be remembered and nourished by the good word of God, to keep them continually watchful unto prayer, relying alone upon the merits if Christ, who was the author and the finisher of their faith."

- Moroni 6:4



Elder Steven Brenneman Mansfield, OH **Elder Alex Castillo** Freiburg, Germany **Elder Timothy Coolack** Succasunna, NJ **Elder Grady Gammons** Fort Worth, TX **Elder Sean Haentges** Clarence, NY Elder Rob Holdcraft Newport News, VA Elder Matthew Huish Birmingham, AL Elder Mark Reeder Gaithersburg, MD Elder Kenneth See Sugar Land, TX



DEPARTURES December 1998

Elder David Buckner **Elder LaMont Dean** Sister Kari Grimnes **Elder Albert Jennings** 

Mesa, AZ Vancouver, WA Burlington, WA Vidor, TX

### Elder Jason Anderson

TRAINERS DECEMBER 1998 Elder Brian Webb Elder Stephen Williams Elder Benjamin Vinson Elder Richard Wheatley Elder Russell Bartholet Elder Shane White Elder Jesse Peterson Elder Ben Rohrbach Elder Hank Whipple

### **New Zone Leaders**

Elder **Brian Adair** 



Elder Cristian Laurens



Elder **Ryan Pederson** 



Elder **Daniel Terry** 



### Attitude and Altitude

No one can predict to what heights you can soar until you spread your wings. WAY TO GO!!!



### **∞January Birthdays**∞ Elder Fredrick Dunn 1 Jan Elder Juan Cruz 5 Jan Elder Russell Bartholet 7 Jan Sister Kathleen Reynolds 7 Jan **Elder Vaughn Clayton** 9 Jan Elder Stephen Williams 10 Jan **Elder Luis Campos** 15 Jan Elder Barnabas Brown 26 Jan Elder Arthur Gulden 27 Jan

### **New District Leaders**

Elder Mark Allen



Sister Clarke

Jacob Camp



Elder



Elder



Elder



### ALL MISSIONARIES PLEASE PAY ATTENTION

When filling out Baptism Records, please remember to fill out ALL information correctly and clearly. Remember that all wards, stakes and unit numbers must be recorded. Please write all dates in the following format: 12 Dec 98. All records are due by the third of the following month. Also, use only the new Baptism Record books. Please send all old Baptismal Recommend/Temporary Membership books to the office. Thank You,

### PRESIDENTS REMINDERS ONWARD & UPWARD

ACTION OF THE MONTH

### TEACH AND FIND THROUGH THE LESS-ACTIVE!!!

### REMINDERS:

- GIVE BLOOD AT WARD OR STAKE DRIVES ONLY.
- DON'T CHEW GUM IN PUBLIC-ALL MEETINGS AND DISCUSSIONS ARE PUBLIC!
- IT'S WINTER, ALWAYS WEAR YOUR SUIT COAT EVEN UNDER YOUR OVERCOAT. CASUAL JACKETS ARE TO BE WORN ON P-DAY ONLY.
- DON'T COACH PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS ON BIG 5 QUESTIONS. A PROSPECTIVE WHO IS ON PROBATION CANNOT BE BAPTIZED UNTIL PROBATION COMPLETED.
- THE SANCTITY OF PRAYERS!!!
- DREAMS DON'T COME TRUE BY SLEEPING IN!!!
- BE BOLD & SMILE
- OBEDIENCE IS COOL !!!!

### LET'S GET SPECIFIC:

- STOP! ALL PRACTICAL JOKES ESPECIALLY CARRIED OUT AGAINST AN APARTMENT, CAR OR BIKE.
- ALL DAMAGES TO AN APARTMENT WILL BE PAID FOR BY THE MISSIONARIES THAT HAVE LIVED IN THE APARTMENT.
- AS A PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF JESUS CHRIST, YOU NEED TO BE SPIRITUALLY STRONG - NOT BUFF - A.M. AT GYM, MAXIMUM THREE TIMES A WEEK PLUS NO CREATINE OR SIMILAR THINGS.

### ATTABOYS - ATTAGIRLS

- NO LOCK YOUR HEART PROBLEMS FOR ONE AND A HALF MONTHS!!
- ELDER GROBERG HAD GOOD THINGS TO SAY ABOUT YOU.
- . WOW!! A NEW NOVEMBER RECORD FOR TEACHING AND BAPTISMS.
- A NEW MISSION RECORD FOR EVERYTHING! FINDING, TEACHING

### AND BAPTISMS OF 213

### STATISTICS

Mission baptisms for

Nov 98 = 213 Nov 97 = 128

Last Mo. = 161

Mission baptisms since

Dec 1997 = 1885 YTD since Dec 1996 = 1568

Discussions taught

Nov 98 = 1606

Discussions taught last month 1666

WHAT WILL YOU ADD THIS MONTH????

MEMORIZATION:

New Member Check Lists! MORONI 6:4

HYMN

I NEED THEE EVERY HOUR #98

# &Baptismal Recommends Received Through November 27, 1998

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Shannon McKicarnan Marialena Robledo **Bernardo Padilla Amanda Ritchey Aatthew Roach** ausha Martinez **Tristan Prescott Evthan Prescott** Ashley McComb Andrew Reeder Vorman Nester Javier Romero Scott McHenry Whitney Larsen Kvelie McLean Sarahi Monrea Calder Millard Maria Monrea aime Monreal Andrew Owen **Judith Noorda** ustin Moyers Thomas Reed uis Maruja Marie Lindley David Medina Rebecca Mills Sharon Page Elane Nester rma Medina Zakk Oswill mily Luman vier Martin Aaron Moen Cyle Nelson Miko Minga Marie Rice Avan Larsen samuel Levi Karen Long seth Luman farilyn Heggenstaller Michael Houghtalen Adriane Heineman unnette Harbottle Danielle Hathcock Mandy Jasperson **Cimberty Gollner Elizabeth Haleigh** Pedro Hernandez Cameray Jones Amber Gassman Kimora Haynes leffrey Egginton evvn Hardison Marlos Harvey Mark Kalman Amanda Hales Sarah Herman Regina Larsen Melissa James Ennisha Kyles onathan Davis Kendra Follett Sarah Higgins Devon Jensen Monty DeVries arissa Elmer Andres Cuevas Michael Duffy ames Crudele Candice Davis ason Hilton Carmen Diaz **Ember Dana Dustin Duay** Victor Diaz aul Flores **Jylan Feik** 

James Vonderhueve Samantha Trappet Rosalba Velazquez Marc Zabokrtssky ezreal Vanderlou Darrell Woodland eff Schnakenberg Chastity Ulibarri Barbara Ziegler **Juzmila Seethaler** renton Silvernai Lannette Wright Keith Whittaker YoungHui Tyler **Fimothy Scherer** Lisa Whitehead Michelle Rowley Olga Yatsenko Steven Rosenow aylor Thomas Kylee Warnke Deanne Shaynor Jerrick Welch Sarah Simpson Scott Teuscher Jennis White Clayton Smith **Thomas Smith** Sobbie Sears Shala Stevens Casem Talbot Mario Romo inda Searle Chase Talbot ohn Sidwell Tyler Wood Misty Smith Eric Willis Paul Slagle Vicole Sick Peter Sindt

MANDER FORTH

Lindsee Crawford

Jeffrey Creamer