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President's Message "IT'S JUST A LITTLE THING"!

Dear Elders and Sisters.

Eleven hundred and one baptisms for the first six months of 1999 is not a little thing, it is a BIG thing. Congratulations, you are awesome. The baptisms for June were also the highest in the history of the mission. This means more souls were brought to the knowledge of Christ and His plan for happiness. While we "rejoice in many souls" coming into the waters of baptism, let us also remember to give humble thanks to Him who we serve and who leads and guides and directs this work. It is not a little thing when a child of God returns to him by placing their feet on the beginning path that leads to exaltation.

Time and time again we see that it is the little things that matter most; a smile, a kind word, a hug and a gesture of confidence, an encouraging word when someone else is down...these small acts of kindness take only a moment but can make a world of difference.

Alma in counseling his son Helaman urged him to remember "...by small and simple things are great things brought to pass". Let's take a look at some of the little things in our day to day missionary endeavors. Seat belts, bike helmets, getting in on time, and getting up on time, study time, planning, prayers and hugs, prayerful and regular companionship inventories...you know, you tell me about them all the time "it's just a little thing, President".

We cannot expect the Lord to protect us when we neglect to do our part. These little things are so important. Getting up on time starts the day in good order with time for the all important little things. This starts by getting in on time and getting to bed on time. I remind you that bad things happen to missionaries after 9:30 p.m. You need to be completely obedient to mission rules to have the full protection of the Lord. Those promised blessings will expire if abused. Please, put on the full armor of God, fasten even those small hinges, it is by the small and little things that great things do happen. A wise man once said, "show me a man who cannot bother to do the little things and I'll show you a man who cannot be trusted to do the big things". In the parable of the talents, the Lord said, "Well done thou good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things. I will make thee ruler over many things". Epictetus, an early Greek philosopher put it this way: "practice yourself, for heavens sake, in the little things; and thence proceed to the greater".

Again the Lord says to us, "Wherefore, be not weary in well-doing, for ye are laying the foundation of a great work. And out of small things proceedeth that which is great. Behold, the Lord requireth the heart and a willing mind; and the willing and obedient shall eat the good of the land of Zion in these last days." (D&C 64:33-34) (With the average weight gain in the mission being 23 pounds, we clearly see this to be true)

The Lord has so many blessings prepared for each one of you, but we first must do our part...those little things. You are indeed the best of the best, you can accomplish anything you decide to do, so ...just begin...just do it.

We Love You, President and Sister Jones

Elders and Sisters.

It is amazing what big things happen when we all do our little part. In 1995 the mission baptized around 1,100 people for the whole year. Now in 1999 we have baptized around that same number in only 6 months. What is the difference? Well, a lot of it is the simple dedication of us missionaries putting our heads down and working hard at our little part. -Were 'er thou art, act well thy part-.

President Hinckley has asked us to double our baptisms. Do you think we can baptize 300 or 400 in one month? The Lord and his prophet do. This is not something that will just happen on its own. As President Hinckley has encouraged us we must work harder,

Assistant's Message smarter, and more unified. We must develop the most productive ways to find people to teach.

The finding records that have been introduced to the mission will give us the means to work smarter and more unified. They will give us the means to work more united with the members and missionaries we serve with. This will unite the mission in the same record keeping system and help us work a little smarter. If we all do our little parts and work a little smarter, and a little more unified, amazing things will happen in our work for the lord. Let's all be better instruments in the lord's hands. Remember, what Joseph Smith Said, "In knowledge there is power", and "Unity is power." Humbly,

Elder Allred & Ala

CONVERSION STORY

"OYM WORKS"

As my companion and I were driving on 200 West in Bountiful, we were somewhat frustrated and trying to think of something effective to do after having had a slow morning. Almost at once, we noticed a Hispanic couple walking in the other direction. As we are accustomed, we quickly pulled over, got out of the car and followed them for nearly a half mile only to find out that they spoke better English than Spanish and that they were more interested in getting their groceries home than they were giving us a few minutes of their time.

We walked back to our car and started to drive in the other direction when Elder Armenta noticed a young Hispanic ride past us on his bike. Elder Armenta quickly asked, "Hey, do you speak Spanish?" The boy stopped and gave us an astonished look and said "Yeah, so!" Elder Armenta answered back, "wait a second." The young man waited as we parked our car and got out to talk to him. It turned out that he wasn't too interested but said maybe his mother would be. We took the address, more to be nice than with the intention to check on it. It just didn't seem like the mother would ever be interested if the son was not.

We put the address away and forgot about it. We came across the address several times in the next few days but couldn't remember where it had came from, where we had gotten it or who lived there. One evening a week or two later we decided to check out this address and we asked for Hortencia. This was the mother of the young man on the bike. We talked with her for a few minutes and set up a first discussion. As we talked, we realized that she was elect and that she had been waiting for us for weeks. A English stake missionary in her neighborhood had felt impressed to give her a Book of Mormon. This missionary probably has no idea what she did for

POEM

ACCOUNTABILITY

With our morning get-up we sleep in too long, But with our exercises, we do push-ups and sit-ups and stay real strong. Ours and Elder Burd's companionship study needs to improve, Plus Elder Linder and planning need to get in the groove. With personal study,

You don't need a buddy--

Cause you do it yourself and take it off the shelf, just open and read it and give it a looks, While feasting on the words of the book of books.

With the Book of Mormon only a hundred will do.

We need to study and read it cause we all know it's true.

We need to apply it to our lives and share it with others,

'Cause who do we love but our sisters and brothers!

Hortencia. As we talked, Hortencia began to tell us how she had been praying very hard for guidance in her life and that she had asked God to guide her by sending someone to her door with whatever message the Lord wanted her to receive. A few days later, this lady who had never even met Hortencia showed up at her doorstep with a Book of Mormon.

Hortencia immediately recognized the answer to her prayer. She began reading the Book of Mormon, felt the truthfulness of it and gained a strong testimony of what she was reading. Shortly thereafter, two missionaries talked to her son on the street and were guided to this wonderful lady. We began teaching her, she loved the discussions, and was more than ready. We became somewhat worried about her husband because he didn't agree with her decision to be baptized. Once again, Hortencia amazed us with her faith and told us not to worry. If her husband left her over this, she would be fine because, quote, "I don't need him, I've got the Book of Mormon." Her determination and strength amazed us as we finished the discussions and watched her be baptized. I was transferred a month later but have had the chance to return to the same area and see her progress. She is very active in the Relief Society and has been called to be a stake missionary. In a family full of Jehovah Witnesses' and staunch Catholics, she has never wavered in her testimony of the gospel, especially the Book of Mormon. She is currently preparing to enter the temple, all because a stake missionary followed the Spirit and two missionaries were out working.

I wonder what would have happened had we not stopped to make the first OYM and if Elder Armenta had let the boy on the bike go by unnoticed. The Gospel is true, it changes lives. The Book of Mormon is the greatest missionary because it has the Spirit as its companion. I love that book!!

Sincerely, Elder Brian P. Adair

Hug your companion three times a day-Elder Linder and Burd, what can we say. Just look to Elder Hess, he'll set the example. If that ain't good enough, we'll give you a sample.

It's not hard to say nine-thirty prayer,
So will you all do it and show that you care?
Out by nine-thirty five is what we've been asked,
So we can go out and perform our tasks.

Bountiful Zone it's all up to you,

So make the decision of what you're going to do!

You're in the Bountiful Zone, the best in the mission. So sit up, stand tall and you better listen.

Elder Denninghoff and I have one thing to askWill you all be the mission's example and fulfill your task?

Love, Elder Keating Elder Denninghoff

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

High Bapt. Stake	Ogden	7
- No. 100 /	Ogden West	7
Zones	200 10 77 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	v-125
Highest Baptizing:	Ogden	30
Highest Teaching	Roy	137
Most BOM's Placed	South Ogden	156
Most Adds	Cache Valley	42
Compan	ionships	
Highest Baptizing	Elders Fasteson, Tieru-Hatu	9
Highest Teaching	Elders Leonhardt, Heins	43
Most BOM's Placed	Elders Whipple, Haentges Elders Behan, Danielson	61
Most Adds	Elders Cruz, Monita	12
AND INC.	* as of July 25	

Action of The Month

Work Smart, & Unified

Zone Conference Commits

ZC1: make finding lists for each ward

ZC2: review each list w/ WML
ZC3: use finding records in correlation

Week 1 Aug 1 Postmortal Spirit World

Study Schedule

Week 2 Aug 8 Judgement

Week 3 Aug 15 Temples

Week 4 Aug 22 Eternal Family

Week 5 Aug 29 Chastity

HIGH TEACHING CAR



Sisters Bryson,
Dunroe & Tevaga
get the car back for
the Sisters!!!!

Quote Of The Month

"NO ONE CAN REACH EVERYBODY, BUT EVERYBODY CAN BE REACHED BY SOMEBODY."

President Thomas S. Monson

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Missionaries to the Rescue

Companionships Baptizing Four or more

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Elders Lewis, Wallace	(June)	5
Elders Hatley, Stevens	(June)	5
Elders Haentges, Behan	(June)	4
Elders Johnson, Pedersen	(June)	4
Elders Fasteson, Tieru-Hatu		9
Elders Gulden, Fluckiger	Name (case)	7
Elders Whipple, Haentges		7
Elders Huber, Neely	200	6
Elders Fitzgerald, See		4
* as of July	25	

Memorization Hymn

More Holiness Give Me pg. 131

Memorization Scripture 3 Nephi 11:38

38. And again I say unto you, ye must repent, and be baptized in my name, and become as a little child, or ye can in nowise inherit the kingdon of God.

Classified Ads

Send ads to

 ElderHenrie is selling his bike, a Mongoose IBOC w/LX & XT components for \$425.

2. Elder Wagner is selling his bike 200-GT outpost 141/2" frame.

Elder Danielson is selling his bicycle a Cary Fisher Hookooekoo \$400-Like New.
 Elder Hendricks is selling his bike 820 trek w/shock

\$150.

 Elder Newburn is selling his bike A Mouvi Stone Grinder w/Street slicks and knobbies \$100, Book of Mormon cassette tapes \$15, Samsung carners \$200, Buck (all-Purpose) tool \$40 and other items.

Call office for all Ads

The Riverdale Clean-up



New Zone Leader



Elder Cusick



Elder Leonhardt



Elder Fleming

Angusta-

Elder Spencer Allred Elder Brian Webb **Elder Jacob Myers Elder Justin Pacific Elder Matthew Cusick** Elder Adam Chick Elder Ryan Konosky Elder Daniel Johnson Elder Casey Hopper

2 Aug 6 Aug 9 Aug 17 Aug 19 Aug

22 Aug 23 Aug

26 Aug 29 Aug

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Elder Bartholet Elder E. Massey

New District Leaders

Elder Krongvist



Elder Keating



Elder Ganir



Elder Hugh



Elder Fletcher



Elder Mathews



Elder Terry

NEW TRAVELER NEW A.P.



Elder Gibson



Elder Ala



Elder Hansen

15 days since the last preventable accident







Elder Zachary Anderson Broken Arrow, OK Sister Christina Gray St. Paul, MN **Elder David Lau** Honolulu, HI

Elder Daniel Sandoval Cuernavaca, Mexico **Elder Bryan Sims** Marianna, FL Sister Sara Slagle Grants pass, OR

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PRESIDENTS REMINDERS ONWARD & UPWARD



ACTION OF THE MONTH

"WORK SMART & UNIFIED"

REMINDERS:

- PLACE A HIGHER VALUE ON HUMILITY AND INTEGRITY THAN VISIBILITY
- WATCH FOR RATTLE SNAKES WHEN ON P-DAY HIKES.
- WHEN WE WHINE OR CRY ABOUT SITUATIONS OR THINGS--IT IS NOT BECOMING AND LOOKS AND SOUNDS BAD AND IMMATURE!!!!
- THERE IS TOO MUCH GAY TALK AND KIDDING AROUND.
- DREAMS DON'T COME TRUE BY SLEEPING IN!!!
- BE BOLD & SMILE
- OBEDIENCE IS THE COOLEST !!!!

LET'S GET SPECIFIC:

LOCK YOUR HEART!!!!

- NO DYED, BLEACHED OR BUZZED HAIRCUTS OR BUZZED SIDE WITH LONGER TOP.
- ELDERS, REMEMBER TO TRIM YOUR SIDEBURNS TO THE CORRECT LENGTH!!!
- REMEMBER TO DRINK <u>AT LEAST</u> (8) 8oz GLASSES OF WATER DAILY.
- ALWAYS BE POSITIVE ABOUT EVERYTHING.
- MANY COMPANIONSHIPS STILL NOT HAVING CORRECT COMPANIONSHIP INVENTORY.

ATTABOYS - ATTAGIRLS

- CONGRATULATIONS, SISTERS BRYSON, DUNROE & TEVAGA-ROCK WASHINGTON TERRACE, OBTAIN HIGH TEACHING CAR.
- TREMENDOUS SERVICE AT RIVERDALE DISASTER AREA.
- MANY GOOD COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS, PERSPECTIVES AND THE NEWSPAPERS (WITH PICTURES) ON YOUR WORK ETHIC.
- ANOTHER NEW RECORD OF JULY SOULS COMING UNTO CHRIST 121 THROUGH 3
 WEEKS.

STATISTICS

(at least)

Mission baptisms for

July 99 = 121

July 98 = 120

Last Mo. = 158

Mission baptisms

YTD 1999 = 1222

YTD 1998 = 1035

Discussions taught

July 99 = 1122

Discussions taught last month 1287

WHAT WILL YOU ADD THIS MONTH????

MEMORIZATION:

HYMN

3 Nephi 11:38
More Holiness Give Me #131

9/00

&Baptismal Recommends Received Through July 23 1999-

Elizabeth Daughtery Andrew Daughtery Vincente Avendano **Cherese Daughtery** Matthew Edwards Caitlin Daughtery Dillon Fairclough Robbie Candland ames Carpenter Cassandra Baker Raymond Brown Maria Caballero Dallas DeSantis Tomoyuko Eda Stanley Burgess Colson Cuthair Laura Atkinson Andrew Brown Sandra Deaton Kelton Ewing Ricardo Bazan ois Campbell Juanita Bazan **Trevor Ewing** Michelle Bush Michael Ellis John Duggan Ashlee Argyle Russell Davis Ashlee Clark Cassie Arnell Olivia Davis **Beale Burke**

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Fomoko Rasmussen Edward Shemenski Franchesca Rendon Mathew Robinson Crystal Rodriguez Christopher Roitz Christopher Ooka **Emilio Rodriguez** Adrienne Mercier Kassie Openshaw amara Overbay **Douglas Novosak Taylor Saunders Timothy Mercier 3radley Morrow** abitha Mercier Conner Mikesell ordan Mercier Haylee Shelton Melanie Nistler Karla Morales acob Riding Daniel Munoz Mike Oksness Christi Nazer lakob Rosser Patsy Ruybal Instin Morse lacey Parker Corbin Ooka Porsha Ooka Bryan Olson John Porter see Oswalt Gusi Roltz

Brenda Winesburg

Cameron Wood Shannon Wood

Chelsey Young Alexis Zbinden

Whitney Maycock

Brian Fendrick

Sean Firlein

Antony Woolf

Michael Williams

Brandon Wilde

Fiffany Vlaanderen Christopher Walker

Kimberly Walker

Youne Watson

John Walker

Fanisha Weeks

Klinton Wight

Heather Walker

onathon Tezanos

Cvangelina Talty

Nikita Stratton

Bailey Smith Carole Stalla

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Aaron Thompson

Lachary Venham Michael Venham

Andrew Vargo

esse Tillotson