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San Salvador # 4	Bruce Blaser
San Salvador # 5	Geoffrey Gibson
Santa Ana # 1	Don Davis
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Sonsonate	Terrell Jones
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San Miguel	Andrés González
Zacatecoluca	William Southwick

But first...

Fellow Missionaries:

From Elder Harold B. Lee's conference talk of April, 1968, I would like to requote some of these teachings from his talk which will help us to develop spirituality.

Our continual quest is to obtain the Spirit of the Lord in all of our labors and develop a sensitivity to the Lord that when we receive sensations of knowledge, we act upon them. Joseph Smith tells something of the process by which knowledge by faith may come: "A person may profit by noticing the first intimation of the spirit of revelation for instance, when you feel pure intelligence flowing into you, it may give you sudden strokes of ideas, so that by noticing it, you may find it fulfilled the same day or soon; (i.e.) those things that were presented unto your minds by the Spirit of God, will come to pass; and thus by learning the Spirit of God and understanding it, you may grow unto the principle of revelation, until you become perfect in Christ Jesus."

Further, Elder Lee explains the process by which men of science receive help from the Lord. ". . . the scientist studies his problem, saturates his mind with it, puzzles over it, dreams about it, but seems to find progress impossible, blocked, as it were, by a black impenetrable wall. Then at last and suddenly as if 'out of the nowhere' comes a flash of light, the answer to his quest. His mind is now illumined by a great discovery. . . no great discovery had been made by pure reasoning. Reason would lead to the borderland of the unknown, but it could not tell what was within."

The Prophet Joseph admonishes us to ". . . seek to know God in your closets, call upon him in the fields. Follow the directions of the Book of Mormon, and pray over, and for your families, your cattle, your flocks, your herds, your corn, and all things that you possess; ask the blessings of God upon your labors, and everything that you engage in. Be virtuous and pure; be men of integrity and truth; keep the commandments of God; and then you will be able more perfectly to understand the difference between right and wrong -- between the things of God and the things of men; and your path will be like that of the just, which shineth brighter and brighter unto the perfect day."

We ask you to continue your morning spiritual preparations through the prescribed prayer which has become an intricate of our mission procedures, the one moment during the day which we can truly prepare ourselves for the miracles which are to happen in your lives as you labor as missionaries.

President & Sister David G. Clark

Take note.....

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>DISTRICT LEADER</u>	<u>JUNE CHALLENGE</u>	<u>JUNE BAPTISMS</u>	<u>PERCENT OF CHALLENGE</u>
San Marcos	Smith, N. R.	30	28	93.3%
Guatemala #4	Pérez, A.	30	22	73.3
Retalhuleu	Speaker, R.	30	21	70.0
San Miguel	Chambers, J.	45	30	66.6
San Salvador #5	Gibson, G.	30	17	56.6
Xela	Rex, L.	45	24	53.3
San Salvador #1	Carpenter, T.	45	23	51.1
Guatemala #5	Méndez, T.	30	15	50.0
Santa Ana #2	Green, J.	45	21	46.6
Zacatecoluca	Southwick, W.	15	7	46.6
San Salvador #4	Blaser, B.	45	20	44.4
Guatemala #3	Smith, C. V.	30	11	36.6
Santa Ana #1	Davis, D.	45	16	35.5
Escuintla	Lemmon, J.	30	10	33.3
Quiché	Yardley, J.	30	9	30.0
San Salvador #3	Dever, M.	45	12	26.6
Guatemala #1	Davis, J. L.	45	11	24.4
San Salvador DM	Nelson, W.	25	4	16.0
Guatemala East	Smith, R. C.	45	7	15.5
Coatepeque	Wendt, J.	30	4	13.3
Occidente DM	Perkins, G.	25	3	12.0
Guatemala #2	Stillman, T.	45	5	11.1
Office	Smith, M.	25	2	08.0
Cakchiquel #1	Tanner, J.	30	2	06.6
San Salvador #2	Mendenhall, P.	30	2	06.6
Mazatenango	Willardson, R.	30	2	06.6
Cakchiquel #2	Allred, D.	30	1	03.3
Guatemala West	Hunter, A.	30	1	03.3
Santa Tecla	Read, W.	30	1	03.3
Quiché #2	Brown, R.	30	0	00.0
Santa Ana DM	González, D.	10	0	00.0
Sonsonate	Jones, T.	30	0	00.0
ZL's	Hamilton, D.		15	00.0
		1060	346	32.4%

TOP BAPTIZERS

TOP TEACHERS

Richard Zinn	23
Ronald Hedelius	18
Arthur Pérez	18
Dennis Reed	18
N. Russell Smith	18
Ronald Asay	17
Brent Gifford	17
John Chambers	15
Richard Dickson	15
David Hamilton	15

Lynn Mortenson	81
John Chambers	77
George Flake	75
Robert Stone	75
Ronald Asay	74
Brent Gifford	72
Brian Brown	70
William Southwick	70

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# CHALLENGE

Guatemala North Zone

Guatemala #4	30
Cakchiquel	30
Sololá	30
Jutiapa-Jalapa	30

Guatemala South Zone

Guatemala #1	30
Guatemala #2	45
Guatemala #3	30
Guatemala #5	30
Zacapa-Chiquimula	30

Coastal Zone

Coatepeque	30
Retalhuleu	30
Mazatenango	30
Escuintla	30

District Missions

El Salvador DM	25
Kela DM	25

Kela Zone

Kela #1	45
San Marcos	30
Huehuetenango	30
Totonicapán	30
Quiché	30

San Salvador Zone

San Salvador #1	45
San Salvador #2	30
San Salvador #3	45
San Salvador #4	45
San Salvador #5	30

El Salvador Zone

Santa Ana #1	45
Santa Ana #2	45
Sonsonate	30
Santa Tecla	30
San Miguel	45
Zacatecoluca	15

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Dear Fellow Missionaries:

During his recent visit to the Mission, Elder Franklin D. Richards admonished us as missionaries to study the Gospel as contained in the four standard works of the Church. During my mission I can remember having been constantly admonished to study the four standard works. Why is it so important that we dedicate some part of every day to the study of the scriptures? I believe the Lord gives us the answer to that question in the First Section of the Doctrine and Covenants, verse 37; when He says:

"Search these commandments, for they are true and faithful, and the prophecies and promises which are in them shall all be fulfilled."

Again in the 88th Section of the Doctrines and Covenants we are told:

"And as all have not faith, seek ye diligently and teach one another words of wisdom; yea, seek ye out of the best books words of wisdom; seek learning, even by study and also by faith."

I believe there is a great key in this last verse, the way to increase our faith is by study of the scriptures which contain the truths of God revealed to the Prophets.

In a world of such confusion, false doctrines, theories and ideas that are so inconsistent with the teachings of Christ, it is becoming a necessity to be able to discern between truth and error. The Lord made known the manner of discerning between the truth and error to the Prophet Joseph Smith in the Pearl of Great Price.

"And whoso treasureth up my word, shall not be deceived for the Son of Man shall come, and he shall send his angeles before him with the great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together the remainder of his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other."

Elders, do we have a good solid study schedule for reading the Scriptures? Are we treasuring up in our minds the beautiful truths contained in the standard works so that when the winds blow and the storm rages we will be able to stand firm in the Faith? Let's give the Lord the opportunity to do His part in giving us understanding and an abiding faith in His gospel. Let's study the Standard Works.

Sincerely,

Elder Michael W. Smith  
1st Assistant



Dear Fellow Missionaries:

..... *thyself*

The other day as I was leaving from a get-together with our Pan Am representative at the airport, I began to think about the nuevo who was scheduled to arrive in Guatemala that afternoon. At that time, he was en-route to Guatemala on the 515 flight from Los Angeles, and within five or six hours he would be here. He would arrive in a country which, to him would be very different, strange and full of challenges, but to me, now lacking just a few weeks before departing, had become a land which held many wonderful and cherished memories and experiences.

As I was thinking to myself of what he must be thinking, I began to reflect a little on some of the things that had occupied my mind when I was in his position.

I can remember that from the moment I reached Mexico the excitement, which a tourist usually has of being able to see a new country and experiencing a new way of life, seemed to fade away from my thinking as more and more the importance of my calling focused itself clearly in my mind. I started to realize that my boyhood desire of fulfilling a mission was about to commence and that many of the experiences that I had heard about from returned missionaries and of which I longed to be a part were now about to enrich the next two years of my life.

I can also remember some of the questions I asked myself as we were getting closer and closer to Guatemala:

Would my first companion be a good one?

Would he be a humble, dedicated, hard-working Elder who would teach me well in the art of missionary work?

Could I, from his instructions, develop myself to be a useful and dedicated servant of the Lord?

Would he be proficient in the language, thus helping me to also dominate the language to the extent that I could convey the message and spirit of the gospel to those who would listen to me speak?

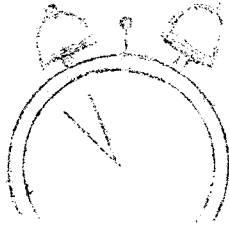
Would my companion be obedient to the mission rules thus creating a beautiful companion relationship that would always assure us of the Lord's guiding light?

Well, these were just a few of the questions I was thinking about while flying over Mexico, and I am sure that each one of you had your own similar ones. But as I was meditating a little over some of these qualities that I wanted my first companion to have, I started to look at myself to see if I matched up to his ideal first companion. It came as an eye-opener and I wish I had thought about it earlier.

For this reason, I would like each missionary to stop and think for a few minutes of the kind of Elder with whom he wanted to start his two years of successful service and see if he matches up to this Elder.

Sincerely,

Elder Bruce Lloyd  
2nd Assistant

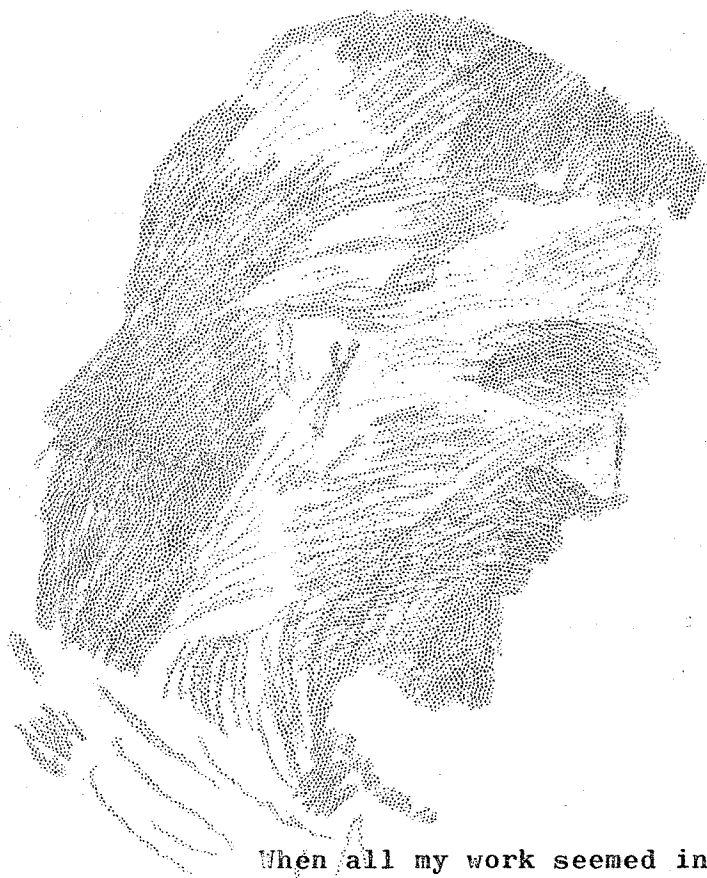


## 17 WAYS TO GET MORE FROM A MINUTE

Here are 17 ways you can use organization and self-discipline to stretch your available time:

- 1) Pinpoint your goals: Simply knowing your destination means that you'll get there a lot faster;
- 2) Concentrate on essentials: Each day, write down, in the order of importance, the jobs you must do. Then tackle job No. 1. Don't worry about not getting through the list; you're getting the most important things done;
- 3) Motivate yourself: Give yourself rewards, incentives;
- 4) Establish deadlines: Make them realistic, and stick to them;
- 5) Be decisive: Procrastination and indecision are prime thieves of time;
- 6) Learn to say "No" : Avoid pointless commitments;
- 7) Get the pencil-and-paper habit: Don't burden your memory with facts and figures that can just as easily be retained on a sheet of paper;
- 8) Discourage interruptions: You don't waste your time; so don't let other people waste it for you;
- 9) Listen: You can save a lot of backtracking and costly errors, for example, by getting instructions and directions right the first time;
- 10) Look for shortcuts: Don't be a "status quo" thinker;
- 11) Anticipate your needs: Don't let little things hold up large undertakings;
- 12) Do it now: Do you have a procrastination routine?
- 13) Use all the time at your disposal, including waiting time, lunch time, etc.;
- 14) Improve the quality of your leisure time --- and maybe you'll need less of it;
- 15) Vary your activities: A change of pace is good for you, mentally and physically;
- 16) Get an early start: Be to work a half-hour earlier than usual;
- 17) Put a mental price tag on your time --- and be constantly conscious of how you're spending it.

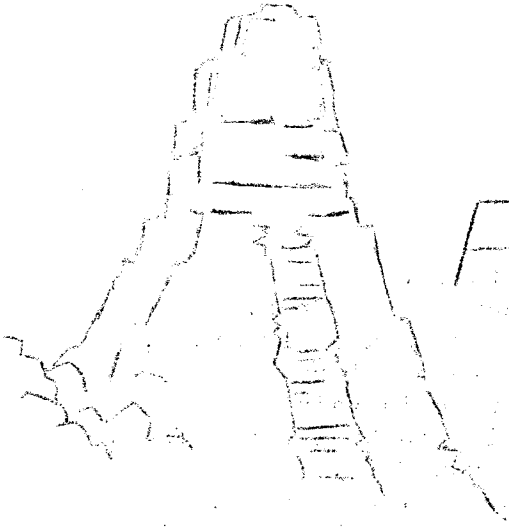
Ted Pollock  
Fortune Magazine  
December 1965, p. 112



When all my work seemed in vain,  
And all my hopes had been slain,  
When I had tried and failed in every way,  
To find a soul to teach someday;  
And after a long week I had toiled,  
To find my work had all been foiled  
And said, "Oh, Lord, it isn't fair,  
That I should work so hard for you  
And yet my people all fall through.  
I've come out here for two long years,  
And endure hardships and overcome fears,  
I've preached the Gospel with all my might,  
From early morning til late at night.  
All of these rules I have applied,  
Yet everything has failed that I have tried.  
Oh Lord, I have prepared myself to teach,  
And yet no souls are within my reach.  
Oh Lord, you know I'm working hard,  
Isn't it about time I got my reward.  
Please tell me what I should do,  
That I might be able to satisfy you."

Then the answer came to me,  
And set my mind and conscience free.  
He said, "My son, it's the same old story,  
Your eye's not single to my glory.  
The reason you have tried in vain  
Is because you're trying to build your fame.  
The reason I have let you fail,  
Is because you let your pride prevail.  
I've let you wander in the dark and fumble,  
Because I'm trying to make you humble.  
And the reason your people all fell through  
Is because your work is not true.  
My son, I'm afraid you're just a fake.  
You're not baptizing people for my sake.  
You're thinking of numbers ten by ten,  
To raise your stature in the eyes of men.  
You're thinking only of your own success,  
And that type of person I will not bless.  
Here is one thing you must realize,  
Your actions, your thoughts are before my eyes.  
I'll never give my blessings to you  
Until your heart is pure and true."

I knelt in prayer and said to Him,  
"Oh, Lord, forgive me of this sin.  
What a fool I've been to surmise  
That my thoughts were hidden from your eyes.  
You won't let divine blessings impart,  
To satisfy the lusts of my evil heart.  
I'm thankful you revealed this unto me,  
My eyes were blind but now I see,  
Oh Lord, I'm really a foolish man,  
Without your help I can't work your plan.  
Remove from my heart its' awful greed,  
And help me plant that fertile seed.  
From this time on, let it be that  
My labors are directed only to thee."



*Pa' que sepáis*

It is your responsibility to make sure that you get your GG shot when you are advised by your Zone Leader. If you fail to do so and get sick as a result, you will be responsible for paying the doctor and hospital bill yourself.

FAMOUS QUOTATION: "I wonder how long it took Nephi & Lehi to fill out 8,000 bapper papers."

Elder Rasmussen

NEW OFFICE HOURS:

EFFECTIVE WEDNESDAY  
September 4, 1968

Sunday	closed all day
Monday	closed all day
Tuesday	9:00 am to 12:30 pm 1:30 pm to 5:30 pm
Wednesday	" "
Thursday	" "
Friday	" "
Saturday	" "

This schedule will be followed rigorously by the office staff. If anything is needed from the office, and a personal visit to the office is necessary, it must be set up to conform to the schedule set forth above.