

# Service Missions: A Guide for On-Site Support Missionaries

This document provides a short overview of the program and your responsibilities as on-site support missionaries. Brothers and sisters who serve as on-site support are called as senior service missionaries.

## Service Missionaries

There are two types of service missionaries:

- Those who are initially called by the prophet
- Those who are transferred (returned early from a teaching mission for health reasons and reassigned by an Apostle)

## Service Missionary Purpose

Our purpose is to help others come unto Christ by serving them as the Savior would. We serve voluntarily in charitable organizations, in Church functions, and within the general community. We minister in His name to the one, just as He did, expressing His loving kindness.

Service missions are designed to fit the abilities of each service missionary. Each missionary's strengths, talents, and abilities are considered in selecting the work he or she will do.

## Your Role

As on-site support missionaries, you help support the service missionaries while serving at the assigned service location. You help the operations manager reach the goals of the operation.

## Your Responsibilities

1. Under the direction of the operations manager, help service missionaries successfully complete their service assignments.
2. Encourage the service missionaries to have a rewarding mission experience while serving at the assignment.
  - Allow them to lead and minister to each other.
  - Help them grow and develop.
  - Reinforce the spiritual aspects of the work.
  - Help them feel valued and needed.
  - Match their strengths and talents to each service opportunity.
  - Give them a variety of experiences within the operation.



3. Develop a close relationship with service mission leaders.
  - Share any concerns about individual service missionaries with their service mission leader.

## How to Support

1. Help missionaries organize devotionals to be held during the day at the assigned service location.
  - Consult with the service mission leader.
  - Obtain the permission of the operations manager.
2. Reinforce the standards of dress and conduct and the missionaries' personal commitments in the *Service Missionary Handbook*.
3. Encourage personal scripture study.

Note: Service mission leaders will plan outside activities.

## Questions?

- Contact your operations manager.
- Visit [ChurchofJesusChrist.org/service-missionary](https://www.ChurchofJesusChrist.org/service-missionary).
- Call the Service Mission Office in Salt Lake City at 1-801-240-4914, or send an email to [support-servicemission@ChurchofJesusChrist.org](mailto:support-servicemission@ChurchofJesusChrist.org).

