

1 week in the mission field!

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Hello! How's it going? It's going well over here with me. Cold yes, tiring yes, worth it? YES! I'm grateful for the opportunity to share the restored gospel of Jesus Christ!

I have 2 companions they are great guys. Elder Lyon and Farnsworth we work together and have good times. They are teaching me alot although it's hard at times living with 2 new people you barely met 7 days ago, it's been fun getting to know them. After all we are brothers in Christ.

President Rolfe my mission president who is the guy in charge of the mission is a great guy he is very loving and very Christ-like. We have about 230 missionaries in our mission. It's awesome to think that all of us are united in the greatest cause! Sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ!

The people who I teach are so awesome! All of them are foreigners. Alot Ecuador, Guataleme, and Honduras, Dominican Republic. But they all are alike they are humble. They are willing to hear the message of Christ's Restored Gospel and make changes for Him. One of the people we are teaching is getting married with his partner/girlfriend so that he can be baptized! Not a small thing to do! These past few days teaching our friends have helped me to reflect the changes I can make to show greater love for Jesus!

I've been thinking lately why I decided to serve a mission. Before my reason was because I wanted better myself and to become more like Jesus. But now after working and prayer and study my reason is because I want to give. I'm learning to lose myself in the work. The same way Jesus did. He always looked outward looking for ways to serve to give more to help. I have the opportunity to represent him. I sleep on the bottom bunk and I put a picture of Jesus above where I sleep so it's the first thing I see when I wake up.

It's been tough but I'm glad it is! It's reminded me that I shouldn't try to do this all on my own. But that I should use the Lord and rely on his strength. Sort of Interdependence. My companions tell me that the first 6 weeks are the toughest. Adjusting to the lifestyle and such.

We play basketball every day except Sunday but especially hard on Monday which is my preparation day where we go buy our items that we will need for the week food, personal items, etc.

I'll send more pictures next week this week was super busy!

I hope everything is well with you! I'd love to hear back from you!

Warmly
Elder Monsivais ♥



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