

CASRM WEEKLY

2/8/21



President's Remarks

Dear Sisters and Elders,

Amulek reminds us in the Book of Alma 34:32 that *“this life is the time for men to prepare to meet God; yea behold the day of this life is the day for men to perform their labors.”* Preparing to meet God really means that we use our time wisely. In doing so, we have more self-discipline and willpower. Only when we understand the gift of time can we make real change. Chapter 8 of *Preach My Gospel* gives us a step by step approach on how we can use our missionary time more effectively to fulfill our purpose of inviting others to Come Unto Christ.

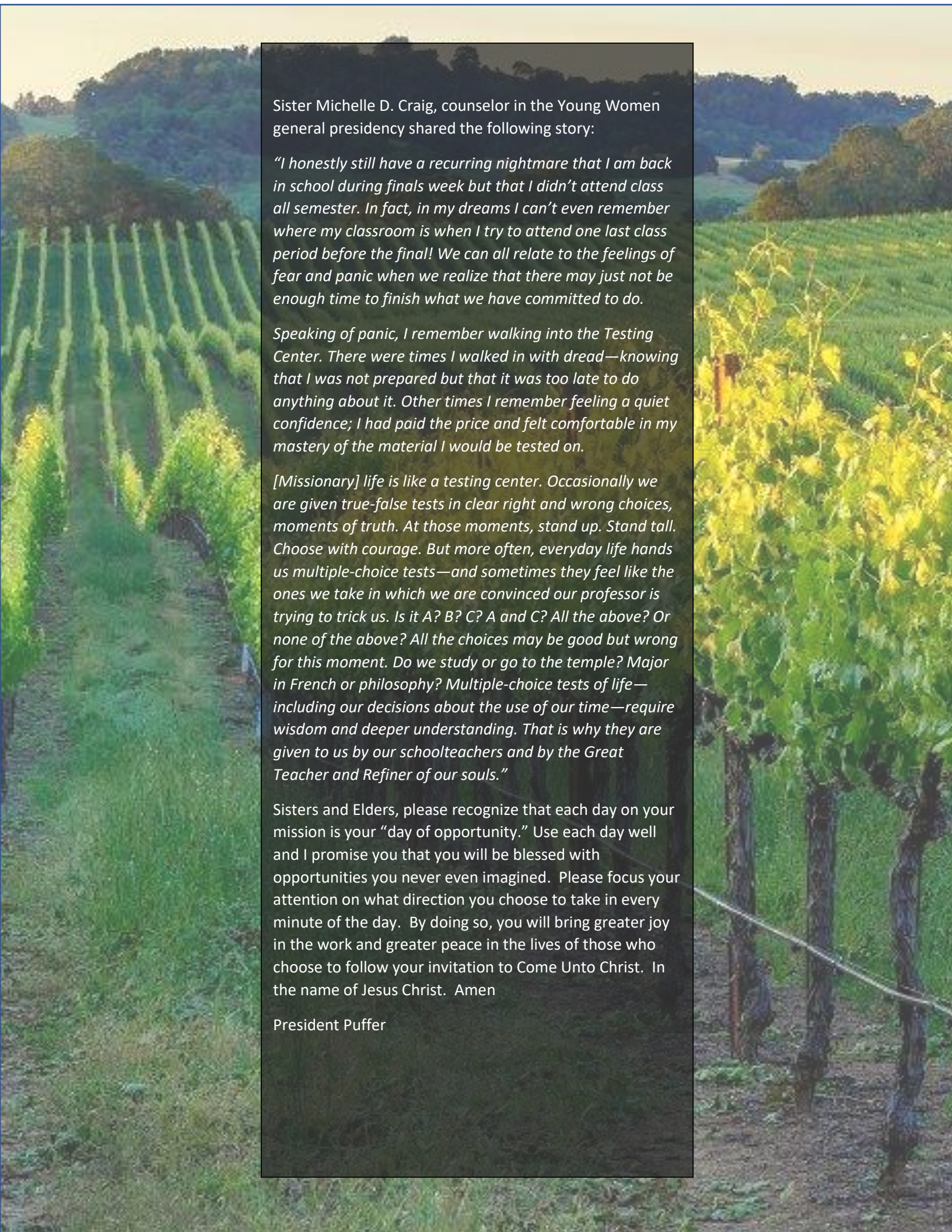
In the eternal perspective, the 18 or 24 months you have been asked to serve as a consecrated full-time missionary is a very tiny amount of time. We must use every minute of every day to not only prepare ourselves to meet God but to prepare others to do the same.

More than two centuries ago, Edward Young said that *“procrastination is the thief of time.”* To this point, President Thomas S. Monson stated, *“Actually procrastination is much more. It is the thief of our self-respect. It nags at us and spoils our fun. It deprives us of the fullest realization of our ambitions and hopes. Knowing this, we jar ourselves back to reality with the sure knowledge that this is my day of opportunity. I will not waste it.”* Sisters and Elders, this truly is your day of opportunity! Each day of your mission is so precious and cannot be relived. Do not waste any of them.

In the mission field, every day is a day of opportunity. But let's examine the question, what matters most?

How do we effectively take advantage of each opportunity we are given and use our time wisely? President Russell M. Nelson declared, *“I plead with you to take a prayerful look at how you spend your time.”* I challenge each of you to follow the guidance of our beloved prophet and carefully examine how you spend your time in the areas where you currently serve. If we want to avoid wasting our days of opportunity, the answer isn't just to go faster. We need to go in the right direction, to focus on the vital few things that determine our success. As missionaries, we can work ourselves to exhaustion, but if we are not going in the right direction and focusing on and utilizing the most important tools we have as missionaries, we will not be able to accomplish our purpose or culture.

Going in the right direction means that we become more consecrated so that we can have the spirit with us to show us which way to go. It means we need to be more sincere in our personal prayers; acquire and demonstrate more Christ-like attributes; have a better understanding of the scriptures and the important truths taught in *Preach My Gospel* and more specifically for our day of opportunity, learn how to more effectively use social media in our daily finding and teaching. *“Wherefore, be not weary in well-doing, for ye are laying a foundation of a great work. And out of small things proceedeth that which is great.”* (DC 63:33) Any worthwhile goal will require a lot of work and weariness and well-doing.



Sister Michelle D. Craig, counselor in the Young Women general presidency shared the following story:

"I honestly still have a recurring nightmare that I am back in school during finals week but that I didn't attend class all semester. In fact, in my dreams I can't even remember where my classroom is when I try to attend one last class period before the final! We can all relate to the feelings of fear and panic when we realize that there may just not be enough time to finish what we have committed to do.

Speaking of panic, I remember walking into the Testing Center. There were times I walked in with dread—knowing that I was not prepared but that it was too late to do anything about it. Other times I remember feeling a quiet confidence; I had paid the price and felt comfortable in my mastery of the material I would be tested on.

[Missionary] life is like a testing center. Occasionally we are given true-false tests in clear right and wrong choices, moments of truth. At those moments, stand up. Stand tall. Choose with courage. But more often, everyday life hands us multiple-choice tests—and sometimes they feel like the ones we take in which we are convinced our professor is trying to trick us. Is it A? B? C? A and C? All the above? Or none of the above? All the choices may be good but wrong for this moment. Do we study or go to the temple? Major in French or philosophy? Multiple-choice tests of life—including our decisions about the use of our time—require wisdom and deeper understanding. That is why they are given to us by our schoolteachers and by the Great Teacher and Refiner of our souls."

Sisters and Elders, please recognize that each day on your mission is your "day of opportunity." Use each day well and I promise you that you will be blessed with opportunities you never even imagined. Please focus your attention on what direction you choose to take in every minute of the day. By doing so, you will bring greater joy in the work and greater peace in the lives of those who choose to follow your invitation to Come Unto Christ. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen

President Puffer

Incoming Missionaries...



Elder Bosh
from Rigby, ID



Elder Brooke
from Queens Creek,



Elder Burgess
from Cedar Hills, UT



Elder Burke
From Woods Cross, UT



Sister Campbell
from Riverton, UT



Elder Cheboski
from Sandy, UT



Elder Christensen
From Santa Clara, UT



Elder Clark
from Rigby, ID



Sister Cordle
from Juneau AK



Sister Hampton
from Orem, UT

Incoming Missionaries...



Elder Hart
from Herriman, UT



Elder Hill
from Mapleton, UT



Sister Hoelscher
from Spring, TX



Elder Horlacher
from Clearfield, UT



Hermana Lawson
from Riverton, UT



Sister Lemmon
from St George, UT



Elder Schuneman
from Lebanon, MO



Elder Searle
from Vernal, UT



Elder Spiesman
From Lindon, Ut



Elder and Sister Turner
From St George, UT

Departing Missionaries...



Sister Butler



Sister Christoffersen



Sister Conor



Hermana Creek



Elder Morrison



Sister Schmutz



Elder Shepherd



Hermana Stirling



Hermana Tullis

How are we doing?

Mission Monthly Goal =
of Baptisms: Nov - 32
Dec - 27
Jan - 24

CASRM Baptisms

Mission Monthly Goal

32

Current Month

3

■ Current Month ■ Mission Monthly Goal

LAST WEEK

Zones	Baptisms	New on Date	Total on Date	New at Church	Total at Church	New People being taught
Eureka	2	0	1	8	24	11
Ukiah	0	1	2	11	30	21
Santa Rosa	0	1	4	6	33	14
San Rafael	0	1	2	4	20	9
Napa	0	2	5	7	29	20
Fairfield	0	1	1	6	19	10
Vacaville	0	1	1	1	10	5
Woodland	1	0	0	8	13	18
Mission Total	3	7	16	51	178	108
Zone Average	0.4	0.9	2.0	6.4	22.3	13.5

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMPANIONSHIP STUDY: WEEK #1

Institute Class –

“Foundations of the Restoration”
Every Tues 9pm.

“The District” Schedule

Dec 29 – Jan 10 District 1: Episode 1
Jan 11 – Jan 24 District 1: Episode 2
Feb 8 – Feb 21 District 2: Episode 1
Feb 22 – Mar 7 District 2: Episode 2
Mar 8 – Mar 21 District 2: Episode 3

BAPTISMS

Elders Jensen, Bliss,
Hansen

Glenda



Sisters Moala, Butler &
Hastings

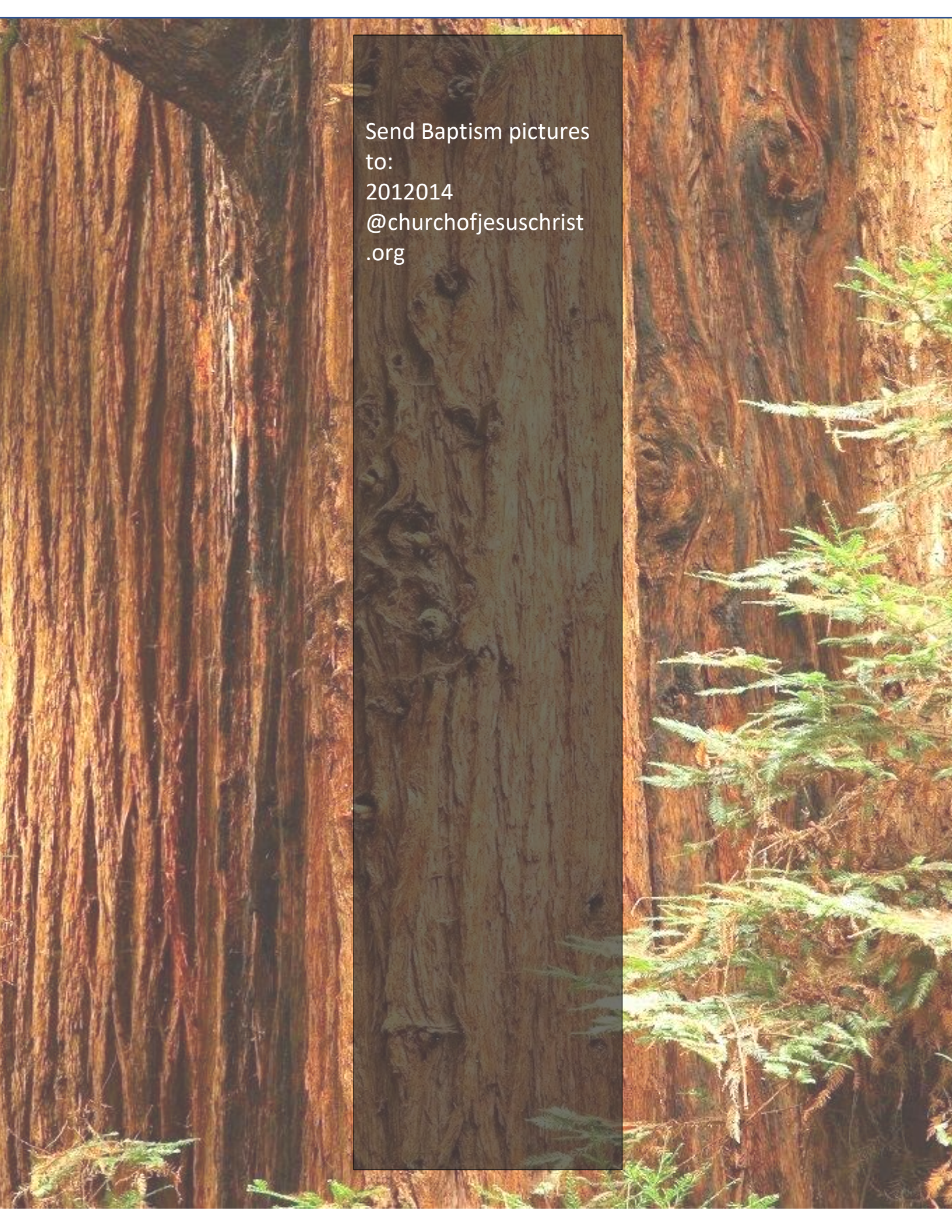
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Elders Holmes, Harmon &
Lindsey

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