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To: General Authorities and the following leaders in English-language units: Area Seventies; Stake, Mission, District, and Temple Presidents; Bishops and Branch Presidents

(To be read in sacrament meeting)

Dear Brothers and Sisters:


Updated Edition of the English Scriptures


We are pleased to announce the availability of an updated edition of the English scriptures. In 1981, important foundational work was completed to print the scriptures with footnotes, cross-references, and study helps. With the advances that have occurred in historical research and printing technologies, the First Presidency and the Quorum of the Twelve have approved the incorporation of various adjustments in this new edition.

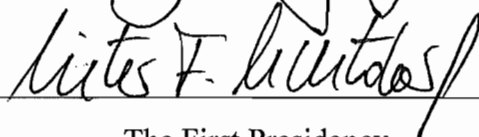
Most of the adjustments are in the study helps, in the headings of the Doctrine and Covenants, or entail minor spelling corrections to the text. All scripture verses in the new 2013 edition have the same page numbers as the 1981 edition. Members are not expected to obtain a new set of scriptures as a result of this updated edition. Printed copies will be available beginning in August of this year through local Church distribution centers. The electronic versions of the scriptures and more detailed information are now available on LDS.org.

As you prayerfully study and teach from the scriptures, your testimony will grow and you will receive greater guidance in your daily life.

Sincerely yours,







The First Presidency

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