

Service Missions: A Guide for On-Site Leaders

This document provides a short overview of the program and your responsibilities as an on-site leader.

Service Missionaries

Some worthy young adult men and women who want to serve a mission are not able to serve a proselyting mission. The service missionary program allows them to use their talents and abilities to serve the Lord in other meaningful ways.

Service missionaries are unable to serve proselyting missions for physical or emotional health reasons or for other considerations. They may also be those who come home early from proselyting missions for similar reasons. The standards for worthiness are the same for all missionaries.

Service missions are designed to fit the abilities of each service missionary. Their strengths, talents, and abilities are considered in selecting the work they will do.



Your Role

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

Your Responsibilities

You have five primary responsibilities:

- Help operations managers reach their goals with service missionaries who are assigned to serve.
- Under the direction of the operations manager, help service missionaries successfully complete their service assignments.
- Encourage each service missionary to have a rewarding mission experience while serving at the assignment. Have this include gospel and scripture study.
- Develop a positive relationship with the service mission leader, and maintain good communications.
- Share any concerns about individual service missionaries with their service mission leader.

How to Support

1. Organize devotionals to be held during the day at the assigned service location.
2. Encourage each service missionary to write or email an update of his or her mission experience each month. This should go to his or her service mission leader, stake president, bishop, operations manager, and parents or guardians.

3. Reinforce the standards of dress and conduct and the missionary's personal commitments in the *Service Missionary Handbook*.
4. As needed, help the assigned development counselor assess a service missionary's life-skills development needs and postmission transition plans.

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.

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