

ANNUAL HISTORY



THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Training Quick Help for Missions

The purpose of the annual history program is to bring members closer to Christ and to collect the contemporary history of the Church by gathering, remembering, preserving, and sharing experiences of how God is working in members' lives and in His kingdom.

As you create your mission's annual history, consider some of the ideas listed below. Mission leaders as well as missionaries can be excellent sources for this information.

- What were the significant accomplishments of your mission during the last year?
- What were the significant challenges facing missionaries or members of your mission during the past year? How did people face these challenges?
- How has the gospel made a difference in the lives of missionaries, investigators, new members, members, and others? Share specific experiences without including information that is too private or too sacred.
- What experiences of the past year have manifested love, guidance, and direction from our Heavenly Father in the lives of missionaries, investigators, and members?
- What events, activities, or happenings of the past year demonstrate the blessings that the Lord has bestowed upon the people of your mission?
- How have missionaries, investigators, or members put their testimonies in action to witness to the truth of the restored gospel?
- What mission programs have helped missionaries, investigators, and members make and keep sacred covenants during the past year?
- How did local, national, and international events impact your mission?

There is no prescribed length for the annual history narrative, but if your history is only a few pages you may want to consider adding more detail to give a clearer understanding of the significance of events and experiences.

PLEASE NOTE: The above suggestions augment the instructions about annual histories, available at www.lds.org/AnnualHistory.

May the Lord bless you for your important participation in keeping a record of the great things of God (see D&C 69:3, 5).