



# Missionary Preparation

**Spring 2024 —Monday/Wednesday at 10:00 AM—Room 114**

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Drawing on my experience as a mission president and utilizing *Preach My Gospel* and the scriptures, I will help prepare you for both full-time missionary service and life-long discipleship. As you act in faith by completing the assigned readings and participating actively in class, you will learn and grow by the Spirit. As you do, you will be better prepared to face the challenges and opportunities that await you as one of the Lord's missionaries.

| Date        | Lesson  | Required Reading<br><i>See Preach My Gospel Podcast Episodes for Additional Learning</i> |
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| January 8   | Welcome to Mission Prep   | PMG, Chapter 1<br><i>Preach My Gospel Podcast Episodes 1-2</i>                           |
| January 10  | Introduction to Mission Prep  |  |
| January 15  | No Classes—Martin Luther King Jr. Day   |  |
| January 17  | Chapter 1—Fulfill Your Missionary Purpose (Part 1)                                |  |
| January 22  | Chapter 1—Fulfill Your Missionary Purpose (Part 2)                                |  |
| January 24  | Our Need for the Atonement of Jesus Christ (Part 1)                               |  |
| January 29  | Our Need for the Atonement of Jesus Christ (Part 2)                               |  |
| January 31  | Chapter 2—Search the Scriptures and Put on the Armor of God (Part 1)              | PMG, Chapter 2<br><i>Podcast Episodes 3, 50-51</i>                                       |
| February 5  | Chapter 2—Search the Scriptures and Put on the Armor of God (Part 2)              |  |
| February 7  | Chapter 2—Search the Scriptures and Put on the Armor of God (Part 3)              |  |
| February 12 | Chapter 3—Study and Teach the Gospel of Jesus Christ                              | PMG, Chapter 3, Lesson 1<br><i>Podcast Episodes 5-6, 35-36, 38</i>                       |
| February 14 | Chapter 3—The Invitation to Be Baptized and Confirmed                             |  |
| February 19 | No Classes—President's Day  |  |
| February 21 | Chapter 3—The Message of the Restoration of the Gospel of Jesus Christ (Lesson 1) |  |
| February 26 | Chapter 4—Seek and Rely on the Spirit (Part 1)                                    | PMG, Chapter 4<br><i>Podcast Episodes 20-21</i>  |
| February 28 | Chapter 4—Seek and Rely on the Spirit (Part 2)                                    |  |
| March 4     | Chapter 3—Heavenly Father's Plan of Salvation (Lesson 2)                          | PMG, Chapter 3, Lesson 2<br><i>Podcast Episode 8</i>                                     |
| March 6     | Chapter 5—Use the Power of the Book of Mormon (Part 1)                            | PMG, Chapter 5<br><i>Podcast Episodes 22-24</i>  |
| March 11-15 | No Classes—UVU Spring Break   |  |
| March 18    | Chapter 5—Use the Power of the Book of Mormon (Part 2)                            | PMG, Chapter 3, Lesson 3<br><i>Podcast Episode 10</i>                                    |
| March 20    | Chapter 3—The Gospel of Jesus Christ (Part 1)                                     |  |
| March 25    | Chapter 3—The Gospel of Jesus Christ (Part 2)                                     | PMG, Chapter 6<br><i>Podcast Episodes 25-27, 37</i>                                      |
| March 27    | Chapter 6—Seek Christlike Attributes  |  |
| April 1     | Chapter 11—Help People Make and Keep Commitments                                  | PMG, Chapter 3, Lesson 4<br><i>Podcast Episodes 4, 7, 9, 11-17, 19, 28-32, 40</i>        |
| April 3     | Chapter 3—Becoming Lifelong Disciples of Jesus Christ (Lesson 4)                  |  |
| April 8     | Adjusting to Missionary Life (Part 1)   |  |
| April 10    | Adjusting to Missionary Life (Part 2)   |  |
| April 15    | Chapter 10—Teach to Build Faith in Jesus Christ                                   |  |
| April 17    | Skill Practice  |  |
| April 22    | Go Forward with Faith   |  |

*“You were sent to earth at this precise time. The most crucial time in the history of the world, to help gather Israel. There is nothing happening on the earth right now that is more important than that. There is nothing of greater consequence. Absolutely nothing. This gathering should mean everything to you. This is the mission for which you were sent to earth.”*

*President Russell M. Nelson*

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## Receiving Credit Towards Institute Graduation or Transferring to a Church University

1. Attend 75% of classes (21/27)
2. Read Chapters 1-6 of *Preach My Gospel*.
3. Complete **One** of the following Elevate Learning Experiences (ELE):
  - **Keep a study journal for the course.** Take notes in class (digitally or in a paper journal)
  - **Listen to a minimum of 6 episodes of the [Preach My Gospel Podcast](#).**
  - **Write 3 essays.** Pick any 3 topics you have learned from *Preach My Gospel* this semester. Write an essay describing what you learned and how you will use that knowledge in your own efforts to share the gospel.
  - **Plan and complete a personal learning project.** Your project should focus on the doctrine and principles from the course and provide evidence of your learning and application. (For example: You could memorize the Missionary Purpose Statement, The First Vision account, and the key doctrinal points of Lessons 1-3.)
  - **Help another student successfully enroll in our class.**

## Attendance Makeup Options:

- Listen to an episode of the [Preach My Gospel Podcast](#). You can find the podcast on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, Google Podcasts, Anchor, Audible, YouTube, or Facebook. Each episode you listen to will make up one class period.
- Attend the weekly Institute Devotionals on Friday at Noon (in the North Chapel). Each one you attend will make up one class period.
- Watch a [Prospective Missionary Devotional](#) (or) <https://religion.byu.edu/missionarydevotional>. This will make up one class period. You can repeat this as many times as you need with previous devotionals.
- Spend 50 minutes studying *Preach My Gospel* and writing a 1-page essay on what you learned and how you might apply it in missionary work (or member missionary work). This will make up one class period. You can repeat this as many times as you need until your attendance reaches 75%.