

“For children all over the world, we say: 'Take my hand. Hold on tight. We will stay on the path together back to our Heavenly Father.'

”Parents, grandparents, neighbors, friends, Primary leaders—each of us can reach out to hold on to the children. We can stop, kneel down, look into their eyes and feel of their innate desire to follow the Savior.

“Take hold of their hands. Walk with them. It is our chance to anchor them on the path of faith. No child needs to walk the path alone. Through the Savior's help, we all can return to our Heavenly Father's presence.”

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“All thy children shall be taught of the Lord; and great shall be the peace of thy children.” 3 Nephi 22:13

Primary Training Program:

_____1. Prayerfully prepare your lesson, (date) sharing time, or singing time by Saturday night.

_____2. Prayerfully read one section of *Teaching, No Greater Call* (available in your ward library, at lds.org, or for \$2.00 at store.lds.org, shipping included).

a. Apply one new principle in your classroom or during sharing time, and

b. Share what you learned with Primary Presidency member.

_____3. Watch a Primary video. Currently several videos are at lds.org in the Primary section, ranging in length from two minutes to two hours. The DVDs *Teach the Child* and *Primary Leader Training* may be in your ward library. If not, consider asking your ward clerk to purchase them (\$4.50 each at store.lds.org, shipping included).

_____4. When you need to be absent, get a substitute. Inform the Primary presidency ahead of time who your substitute is.

_____5. Invite a member of the Primary presidency to schedule one of their periodic visits (if applicable). Talk afterwards about your stewardship.

_____6. Attend the temple for baptisms or an endowment with a Primary-related concern in mind. Record your impressions in your journal.

_____7. Prayerfully study the scriptures with your Primary assignment in mind. Record your impressions in your journal.

_____8. Reach out to one less-active child in Primary, as guided by the Spirit. Share with your Primary Presidency member the result.

_____9. Set aside quiet time to pray, ponder, and reflect on each child in your stewardship. Pray to feel the way the Savior does about each child. If possible, share your impressions with each child in a note.

_____10. After reflecting upon the unique needs and strengths in your primary or class prayerfully set your own goal.

After you've completed all the steps, contact your Primary Presidency.

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Mission:

This program is intended to help you to increase your ability to receive personal revelation from the Lord for your stewardship in Primary. It also helps you to increase your love for the children, thereby expanding your ability to serve the children in your care.

Just as children learn best by doing, leaders and teachers learn best by doing: taking steps to increase your effectiveness in your calling by drawing on the power of the Lord.