

# FORMAL AND INFORMAL MINISTERING

IN THE HURRICANE UTAH SKY MOUNTAIN STAKE

## A LEGACY OF MINISTERING

Mosiah 18:8-10

*The Savior chose to pause no matter how hectic His schedule to acknowledge and address the needs of individuals whom others walked by without giving pause or consideration. What a wonderful opportunity we have each day to minister to those we know and do not know. Our ministering efforts **SHOULD NOT** and **MUST NOT** be limited to a formal calling. A ministering assignment places a more refined focus on specific individuals or families; it should not blur the focus of service to others with whom our life randomly intersects or with whom we interact on a daily basis.*

*Our shepherding should extend beyond a formal calling or duty. Ministering in the Savior's way extends to those we have grown to love as they move to a new city, attend school, begin a new career, or struggle in life.*

*The ward council is a **POWERFUL** tool in assisting Relief Society and Elder's Quorum presidents in identifying individual needs, compatible associations and developing a legacy of ministering.*

*Ministering sisters and brothers are a great resource to parents as children become young women and young men, young single adults, newly weds and walk the path of parenthood.*

## SHEPHERDING COUPLES

Shepherding Couples in the Hurricane Sky Mountain Stake hold the title of **mom** and **dad** and **ministering sister** and **brother**.

Ministering sisters and brothers fill a vital role in assisting parents as their children transition through critical stages of life. Ministers become "Shepherding Couples" as they personify the Savior and His service by being with them and supporting them through all the stages of life wherever those experiences may take them.

"Balance your life with spiritual experiences that remind and prepare you for continued, daily ministering to others."

M. Russell Ballard

## WARD MINISTERING COUNCIL

Relief Society and Elder's Quorum Presidencies prayerfully coordinate ministering.

They recommend ministering companionships and ministering assignments to the bishop.

They meet together to discuss the strengths and needs of individuals and families learned through ministering interviews.

They meet together with the bishop to address the needs of individuals and families.

They discuss with the ward council the strengths and needs of ward members and involve the ward council in making plans to serve and bless ward members.

# THE MANY FACES OF MINISTERING

When we minister as the Lord ministered, the possibilities for showing Christlike love are limitless.

- Ministering as the Lord Ministered
  - To Those We Are Assigned
  - To ALL of Father's Children
- Ministering by Smiling
- Ministering While in Line
- Ministering by Sharing the Gospel
- Ministering by Providing for Spiritual Needs
- Ministering on Both Sides of the Veil
- Ministering by Gathering Israel
- Ministering by Being There
- Ministering by Talking on the Phone
- Ministering by Visiting in Person
- Ministering by Consoling the Sick
- Ministering by Praying Together
- Ministering by Sharing Thought or Scripture
- Ministering Through Service
- Ministering Has NO Bounds

Ministering to ALL Who Need Our Help Identifies Us as Christians

*(Elder Enrique R. Falabella, Many Ways to Minister)*

## MINISTERING INTERVIEW

The purpose of the ministering interview is to counsel together about the well-being of assigned families and individuals. To achieve meaningful and successful ministering, leaders should conduct inspired ministering interviews with humility, love, and faith in the Lord.

- It is Our Time to Minister to Those We Have Called
- It Provides an Opportunity to Define and Teach About Ministering
- It is a Conduit for Sharing Vital Information
- It is the Way we Express Our Thankfulness for Their Service
- It Should be as Natural and Frequent as needs Require

WHAT MATTERS IS THAT  
YOU **LOVE** YOUR PEOPLE  
AND ARE FULFILLING THE COMMANDMENT  
TO "WATCH OVER THE CHURCH ALWAYS."

JEFFREY R. HOLLAND

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[Ministering as the Savior Does](#)  
[Shepherding Souls](#)  
[Becoming a Shepherd](#)

## Hurricane Sky Mountain Stake Focus

- Formal & Informal Ministering
- Ministering Council
- Assigned & Unassigned Shepherding

HE WILL ENABLE  
**YOU**  
TO ACCOMPLISH  
THE IMPOSSIBLE

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