



## TITHING AND AN UNEXPECTED BLESSING

I had been a member of the Church for only one month when I paid my first full tithing. I was the only member in my family, and tithing was difficult for my family to understand. My mother discouraged me from paying tithing and wanted me to give her the money instead.

One day before work, I realized that there was no food in the refrigerator and I'd have to buy something to eat. I didn't have any money with me, so I asked my mom to lend me money for lunch. She refused and said I didn't have money because I had paid my tithing.

I went to get my Book of Mormon and told her that this book would give me my nourishment for the day—spiritual nourishment. I opened it in front of my mother and found 100 pesos (enough to buy some lunch) tucked inside. It was a miracle—I hadn't put that money in my scriptures. I learned a great lesson: although challenges and temptations are everywhere, I will always be blessed as I pay a full tithing and keep the commandments. ■

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## TIME FOR THE TEMPLE

As soon as I turned 12, I received my first temple recommend. I'll never forget that first temple experience. The peace I felt was so unique. Though my home in southern Taiwan was four hours from the temple, I decided to go once a month on our stake temple day. I went even if no one could accompany me.

Soon I started inviting my Church friends to go with me. Though they didn't show much interest at first, now they go every month. Many people

in the ward also started going to the temple. Now no matter how often our ward plans a temple trip, many people come—more than our stake has ever seen before.

Soon after my decision to attend monthly, my family decided to go every month. Even if we have tests at school the day after our temple day, my family and I attend regularly. I've been frequently attending the temple with my family for seven years now. The temple is the house of the Lord,

and we know the importance of going to the temple. ■

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