BEE-ing a Missionary

From an interview by Jenna Koford, Utah, USA

Every member can be a missionary. My stake president in California gave us a challenge to share the gospel. When I had to give a school report on a state in the United States, I knew this was my chance!

Hi, I'm Jesse!

THE CHALLENGE
My teacher asked us to pick a U.S. state and build a diorama, or a miniature scene. I told my teacher I wanted Utah. I've been to Utah many times on family vacations. I wanted to learn more about the "Beehive State." And I thought it might help me with missionary work!

FUN FACTS

I learned that the golden spike that linked the First Transcontinental Railroad was placed in Utah. I put a picture of the Salt Lake Temple in my project. I also wrote facts about President David O. McKay (1873–1970) because he is my grandpa's favorite prophet.

THE BEEHIVE

I wanted to show my class our Savior's beautiful creations in my diorama. I covered a box in bees and designed it like a beehive. Beehives remind us to work as hard as bees to spread the gospel.

Showing my box to some friends and the missionaries.

THE BUZZ ABOUT BEE-ING A MISSIONARY

I took my school project to the open house. Everyone loved my bee box! My teacher gave me an A+! I hope people will see what a great place Utah is. Maybe they will ask questions about The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. I can't wait until I'm old enough to go on a mission and share the gospel even more!

JESSE'S TIPS FOR STANDING TALL

- Listen to the Spirit's promptings.
- Don't use bad language or the Lord's name in vain.
- If something bad is going on, walk away or find other activities to do that make you feel better.
- Look for opportunities to help others.

STANDING TALL

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