THANK YOU FOR INTRODUCING ME TO THE GOSPEL

n the early 1980s, my family lived in West Germany, and we were members of the Kaiserslautern Germany Servicemen Stake. At the time, our local leaders were emphasizing missionary work. We were told that within our circle of friends, the Lord had placed some of His choice spirit children who were seeking the gospel of Jesus Christ.

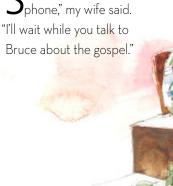
My wife, Jenny, and I believed that to be true. Our leaders encouraged each of us to identify nonmember friends we thought would be interested in hearing the gospel. We were to make a list of about 10 people and then fast and pray about our list of friends and decide whom we were to approach first. We decided on contacting two men who were co-workers in my office. I spoke first to a young single man named Chris, but he showed little interest at the time. Next, we decided I would approach Bruce

Hamby, a good and kind man with a young family.

However, several days went by and I found myself nervous about speaking to him about the gospel. Finally, one day Jenny called me at the office and asked, "Have you spoken to Bruce yet?" I said, "No, but I will soon." She then asked if Bruce was in the office that day, and I said he was. At that point she said, "Scott, put down the phone. I will wait while you talk to him!"

I put down the phone and nervously went over to Bruce and asked, "Bruce, did you know that I'm a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints?" He said yes; and I said, "Would you be interested in learning more about the Church?" He answered, "Yes, I would."

Over the next few weeks, Bruce, his wife, Ella, and their daughter, Tanya, came to our home for dinner and met with the missionaries. They were taught the lessons, attended church meetings with us, accepted the gospel, and were baptized. It was a gloriously wonderful and happy day. Bruce was thankful we had introduced his family to the gospel. Even Chris, the young man in our office, attended the baptism and was impressed. Later on, Bruce and Ella approached Chris about the gospel. With their fellowshipping, Chris was taught by the missionaries and joined the Church too. ■ Scott Edgar, Utah, USA



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