

Expect the Unexpected

Description

Does anything ever turn out the way we expect? Over the course of the last few weeks we have seen things come together and have to acknowledge the Lord's hand in the results. (Like selling our car within 2 hours of posting it.) I'm not sure of the purpose for spending most of our first week as "missionaries in training" in isolation though.

We arrived at the Missionary Training Center Monday morning and were shown to our room. After settling in we went to orientation, lunch and then had some large group meetings and smaller classes, dinner and then another meeting. Rick's runny nose was worsening, and he could not stay awake. (It was different than his normal drowsiness.) It seemed to me he had a slight fever and so we decided to take Covid tests. His was positive and so we contacted the powers that be and were told to stay in our room until it was decided what to do with us. We ended up being moved to a hotel and were offered Zoom classes for the remainder of the week. Rick's symptoms were never very bad, and he was able to sleep quite a bit.

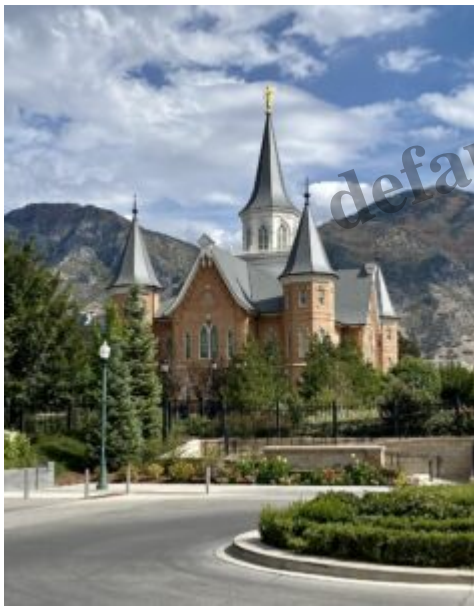
From this week's experiences we have a greater desire to overcome the natural tendency to turn inward by showing Christlike love to all those around us and feel we will have plenty of opportunities to do that as we serve as missionaries. Developing Christlike attributes is a lifelong journey on which we progress one step at a time.



Monday morning arrival.



We really are pointing to the same place!



We did leave our hotel to go walking and thought this was a pretty view of the Provo City Center Temple.

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