

## Into The Unknown

### Description

Nothing like the unknown that we will face in “Phase 4” (actually arriving in India!), but “Phase 3” (awaiting our visas) still has us guessing. Like what we’ll be doing for the next little while.

We arrived at our nicely furnished apartment on Friday afternoon, and were met by two Elders (seniors) from the branch who helped us get settled in. One of them is our Branch Leader, Elder Steel, who kindly took us to get a few groceries.

Adventures thus far:

- Swap meet where we met some fellow senior missionaries and got some useful items (like a toaster).
- Bus ride from downtown to Centerville to shop at Walmart for some essentials (like yoga mats!), and
- Walk/hike to Ensign Peak (2 hours, 5.25 miles, 1152 feet elevation gain).

Not an adventure per se, but today we attended our first sacrament meeting in the very nice (and quiet!) chapel in the Joseph Smith Memorial building. We met some more super seniors, and President and Sister Holmes, mission leaders for the Utah SLC Headquarters Mission.

Tomorrow starts with a mission devotional, then a visit to the mission offices (also in the JSMB), hopefully to learn what our assignments will be. One less unknown!

Even though we are anxious to be doing the humanitarian work in India we were called to do, we are grateful to be here, and to have this opportunity to learn and grow in other ways.

We humbly acknowledge that the Lord sees fit to try the patience and faith of His people, as He did with Alma and his group of believers, who endured far more than what we are called upon to go through (see [Mosiah 23:21-22](#)).

We are so richly blessed that having to patiently wait is a miniscule trial by comparison!

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