

THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

March 26, 2016

PRIESTHOOD AND FAMILY DEPARTMENT
50 East North Temple Street
Salt Lake City, Utah 84150-0024

(To be distributed in Relief Society, Young Women, and Primary meetings)

Dear Sisters:

The relief effort “I Was a Stranger” focuses on serving refugees in our local neighborhoods and communities. It is just one of many ways women, young women, and girls in Relief Society, Young Women, and Primary can lift and bless those in need (see Matthew 25:35; Leviticus 19:34).

1. **Who can participate?** Anyone who has a desire, remembering that no sister is obligated and no one should serve at the expense of her family and other responsibilities (see Mosiah 4:27). Those who serve might include the following:

- An individual
- A family
- A Relief Society, Young Women, or Primary group (see *Handbook 2: Administering the Church* [2010], 9.4.2, 10.8, 11.5.2)
- A neighborhood or community organization

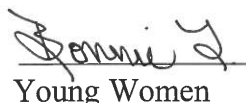
2. **How can sisters participate?** Sisters are encouraged to prayerfully seek opportunities to serve and to consider finding trusted local community and civic organizations to support. The website IWAsAStranger.lds.org may provide ideas.

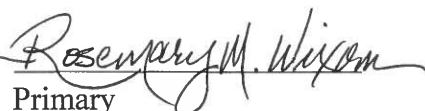
3. **How can sisters share their experiences?** Sisters can share their experiences through email to IWAsAStranger@ldschurch.org.

We hope that all will realize the eternal blessings of Christlike service, being “not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares” (Hebrews 13:2).

Sincerely yours,


Relief Society
General President


Young Women
General President


Primary
General President