

Dear Bro & Sis it is a pleasure and an honor to be here on this occasion,
Ross is the first of 14 grandchildren to receive a call to serve in the Mission
Field, and I am sure he will be a credit to his parents & his brothers and sisters
I cannot help but think of the growth of the Church that has occurred in this area
since I first came to Los A. That was in 1913, We moved to Cudahy after about 2
years ~~in I.A.~~ ^{AND} One of my early memories was going to Sunday School at the Mission
Home on W. Adams St. ~~in I.A.~~ We would take a Train into L A The depot was
located at what is now Mission Rd & 1st St. from there we took a Street car to
1st & Main St, where we transferred to another Street Car that took us to Adams St.
After Sunday School we ate our lunch, usually in a vacant lot next to the Mission
Home, After lunch we attended Sacrament Meeting then we reversed our route going
home. We left home at 8 in the morning and arrived home at 5 in the afternoon.
^{SOME YEARS LATER} Ross's Great Grandfather, Fred Baker, a convert to the church had migrated from
Ireland and settled in Huntington Park, he was retired and spent a good deal of
time locating L D S families in an area covering several miles around H, P, most of
them inactive due to the difficulty of transportation at the time, even so the
Branch was growing and was crowded, When the authorities decided to make a Stake
in ~~Los Angeles~~ ^{So. CALIF} Mr. Baker was selected to be Bishop of the Huntington Park Ward,
and was the 1st Bishop to be appointed in California. Ross is now going to a
foreign land to work in bringing the Gospel to people that are strangers. ^{To us}
It is my prayer, that he may be rewarded with success and happiness in his endeavors
This I ask in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

ELLIS JOHN HUNTER
AT ROSS'S MISSION
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