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AND GIVEN THIS TASK OF BUILDING A NEW CHAPEL, THE FOLLOWING SPRING WE HAD INVESTIGATED OUR PROCEDURE NECESSARY, CHECKED WITH THE BUILDING COMMITTEE IN SALT LAKE CITY AND, AS STATED, PRESENTED THIS TO THE BODY OF THE PRIESTHOOD IN THE WARD AND ALSO THE MEMBERS OF THE WARD. IT WAS APPROVED AND FROM THERE WE ORGANIZED OUR FINANCE COMMITTEE. THEN THE FIRST THING WE DID THE FOLLOWING SPRING WAS TO TAKE OUT THE TREES—SOME SIXTY TREES. SOME WERE DEAD AND SOME WERE DYING. THEY HAD ALL REACHED MATURITY. SOME OF THE OLDER MEMBERS OF THE WARD HATED TO SEE THEM CUT DOWN. WE HAD TO START SOMEWHERE; SO WE STARTED BY TAKING THE TREES OUT.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE CAME UP WITH THE PROJECT THEY WORKED OUT, A PLAN WHEREBY HAD IT MATERIALIZED AS THEY PLANNED, WE WOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO START OUR PROJECT LAST OCTOBER. THEY PUT IT ON A SIXTEEN MONTHS' BASIS AND ASSESSED EACH FAMILY IN THE WARD SO MUCH, WHAT THEY THOUGHT THEY COULD PAY OR WOULD PAY, AND THEN CHARGED EACH ONE OF THE AUXILIARY ORGANIZATIONS WHAT THEY COULD RAISE TOWARD THIS PROJECT. ALSO AT THAT TIME WE RAISED ENOUGH MONEY IMMEDIATELY TO HIRE AN ARCHITECT, AND HE STARTED DRAWING UP THE PLANS FOR OUR BUILDING. YOU SEE THE MARKS OUT THERE TODAY ARE THE MARKS WE WILL FOLLOW WHEN WE START LAYING THE FOUNDATION.

ALSO AT THIS TIME THE NOUNAN ID WARD WAS

DISSOLVED AND THE GEORGETOWN AND NOUNAN WARDS BECAME ONE WARD, WHICH ADDED STRENGTH AND LEADERSHIP TO OUR WARD AT THAT PARTICULAR TIME THAT WE WERE GLAD TO RECEIVE.

AS A BISHOPRIC WE FEEL WE HAVE THE BEST MEMBERSHIP IN THE CHURCH – THE HUMBLNESS THEY HAVE SHOWN. WHEN A PERSON STOPS AND CONSIDERS WHAT WE ARE PAYING TO OUR CHURCH PROGRAMS, TO OUR BUILDING PROJECTS! WIDOWS WHO HAVE A SMALL SOURCE OF INCOME HAVE PAID A LARGE AMOUNT. I RECALL ONE WIDOW RECENTLY ON THIS LAST DRIVE THAT THE BISHOP SPOKE ABOUT, WAS ASSESSED SO MUCH. HER INCOME WAS SMALL; SO SHE WENT OUT AND BABY SAT AND TURNED OVER THAT WHICH SHE MADE TO THIS BUILDING PROJECT. WE SEE A FAMILY, THE PARENTS COMING TO PAY THEIR ASSESSMENT, ALONG WITH THEIR CHILDREN WHO EACH TOOK \$10 FROM THEIR SAVINGS TO PAY ON THIS DRIVE.

NOT ONLY ARE OUR MEMBERS CONTRIBUTING FREELY ON WHAT WE CONSIDER GOOD TOWARD THIS PROJECT, BUT WE HAVE OUR NON-MEMBERS IN OUR WARD WHO ARE LEADING US MEMBERS. WHEN SOME OF THEM MOVED TO TOWN A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO, THE FIRST BUDGET THE BISHOP SENT OUT THEY CAME OUT AND ASKED IF THEY WEREN'T WORTHY OF RECEIVING A BUDGET. THEY SAID THEY WANTED TO BE ASSOCIATE MEMBERS OF OUR WARD, AND FROM THAT TIME ON THEY HAVE RECEIVED A BUDGET. THEY ARE ALWAYS THE FIRST ONES TO PAY THE BUDGET. IN THIS BUILDING PROGRAM WHENEVER THE NON-MEMBERS WERE ASSESSED, THEY WERE ALWAYS

THE FIRST IN LINE TO PAY THEIR BUDGET. I THINK ALL OF US CAN TAKE A LESSON FROM THESE NON-MEMBERS.

AS A BISHOPRIC WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION. WE ARE GRATEFUL TO ALL OF YOU FOR THE COOPERATION YOU HAVE GIVEN. WE