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BOOK OF MORMON CENTRAL



Cover: Moroni Delivers the Plates to Joseph Smith by Jorge Cocco

Below: Photograph of Springville Mountains by Jasmin Rappleye

Mission Statement

Book of Mormon Central builds enduring faith in Jesus Christ by making the Book of Mormon accessible, comprehensible, and defensible to the entire world.

Book of Mormon Central's new mission statement was developed by Taylor Halverson, Scott Petersen, Harris Leck, Greg Trimble, and others. We hope this mission statement will help focus and center our organization on Jesus Christ.

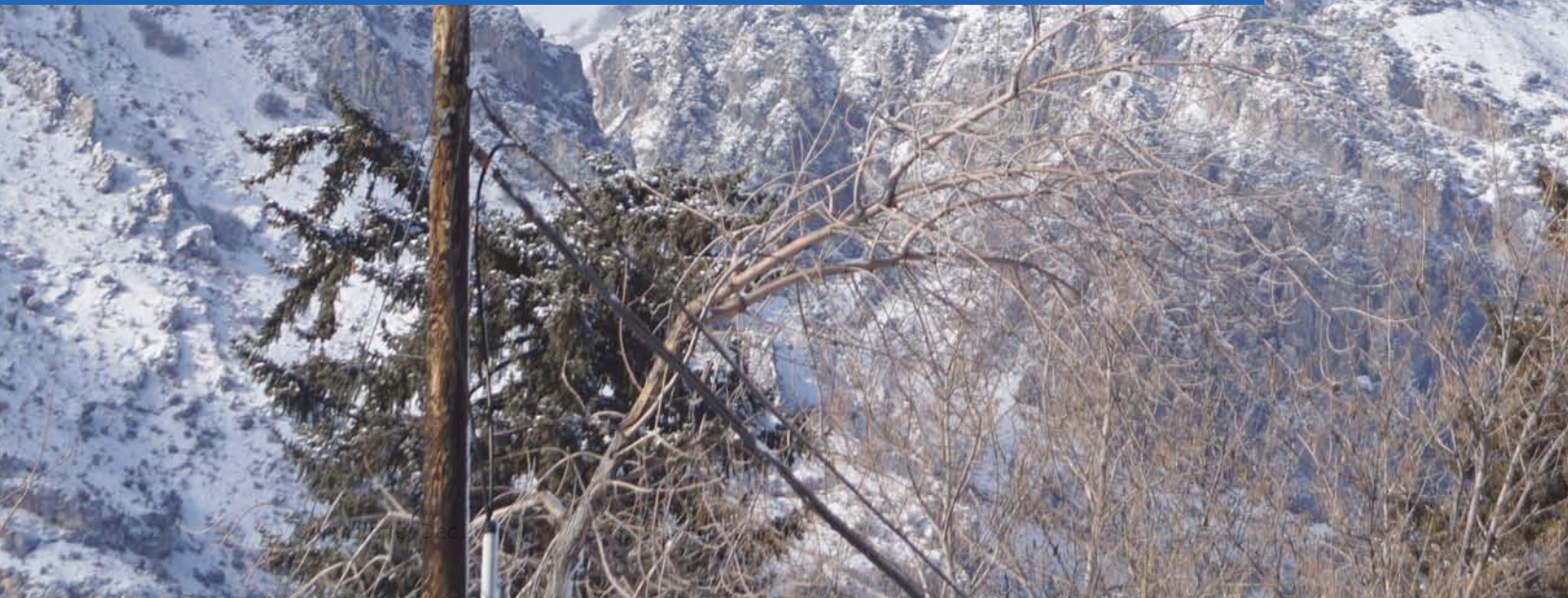


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Lynne Wilson, co-founder of Book of Mormon Central, has agreed to serve on the Board of Trustees.

Several committees have been organized under Tyler Perry's direction. All members of the BMC Advisory Board have been successful in their respective careers and are serving on committees where their specific expertise can help ensure the Foundation's continued success. We thank these individuals for their service and commitment to furthering BMC's mission.

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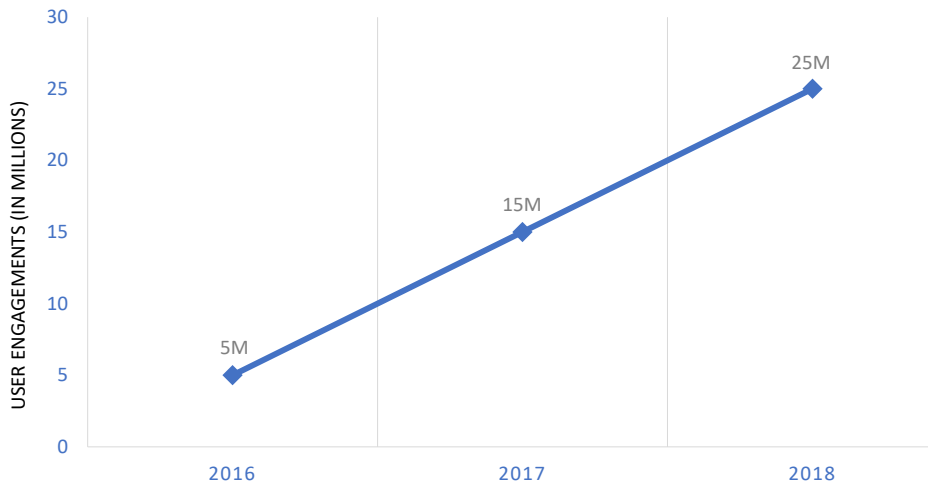
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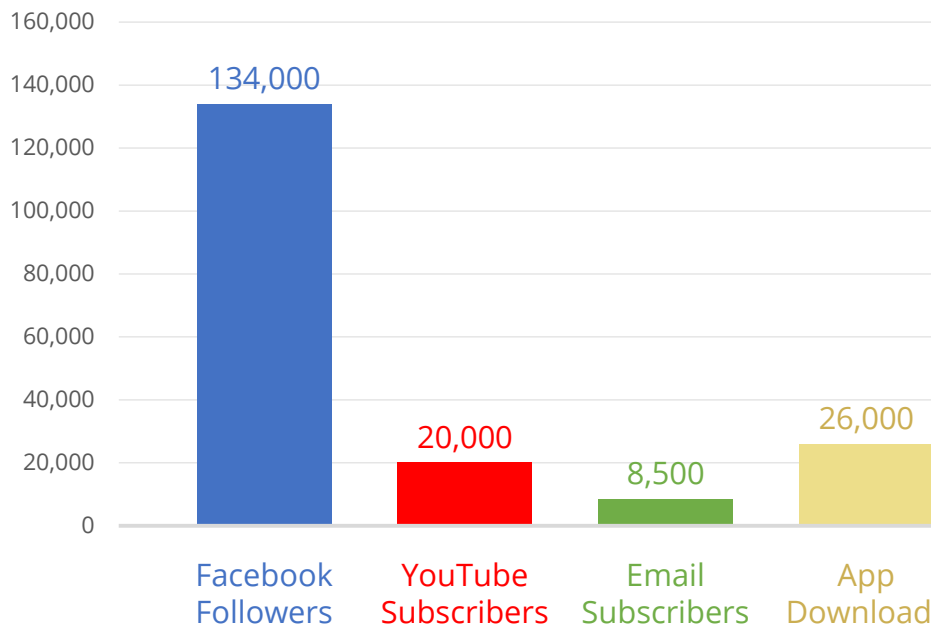
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Year-End Analytics

User Engagements



Performance on Social Media Platforms

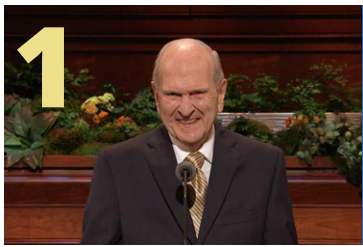


Book of Mormon Central ended 2018 with 25 million user engagements (views, listens, likes, shares, comments, opens, reads, pins, posts, tweets, etc.) which is up from 15 million last year. The significant increase in user engagements is largely due to the strength of productive partnerships with Meridian Magazine, FAIR Mormon, LDS Living and Masfe (More Good Foundation's Spanish channel). We achieved 134,000 Facebook followers, 20,000 YouTube subscribers, 2.2 million YouTube views, 8,500 email subscribers, and 26,000 KnoWhy app downloads. 1.3 million people have viewed 5.8 million pages of content on one of BMC's websites. We average about 100,000 views on Pinterest each month.

Book of Mormon Central will publish its 500th KnoWhy in January. This is quite an accomplishment! KnoWhys are the largest and most comprehensive corpus of formatted Book of Mormon scholarship ever created. KnoWhy publication will continue indefinitely. In its second year of operation, BMC began publishing in Spanish. Since then, KnoWhys have been systematically translated and released to a very large and receptive group of Spanish users. Often, user engagement on BMC's Spanish channels exceeds our English results. Shortly, all the English KnoWhys will be translated and published in Spanish. Once caught up, Book of Mormon Central will co-publish in English and Spanish.

Adding both English and Spanish viewership together, we have more than 2.2 million YouTube views and we are frequently seeing more than 5,000 views per day with a mean view time of 1 minute 39 seconds. This means people are spending 137 hours per day engaging our video content on our channels. Many more are viewing BMC material on channels other than our own. For example, many of FAIR Mormon's best performing videos in 2018 were from Book of Mormon Central.

Top 10 Content Pieces 2018



1

155,434 PAGEVIEWS

Blog Post encouraging members to complete President Nelson's Book of Mormon challenge by creating a reading chart



6

17,729 VIEWS

Evidence YouTube video on Hebraisms in the Book of Mormon



2

69,248 PAGEVIEWS

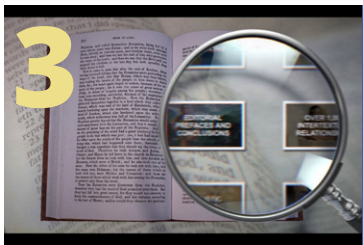
Blog Post explaining possible Book of Mormon connections with the Mayan LiDAR discoveries



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17,567 PAGEVIEWS

April Fool's Blog Post joke announcing new Book of Mormon translation into Elvish



3

39,380 VIEWS

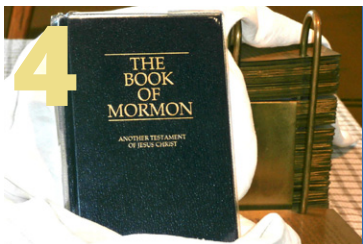
Evidence YouTube video on Book of Mormon complexity



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11,026 PAGEVIEWS

Blog Post promoting an Evidence YouTube video on Nahom



4

23,023 PAGEVIEWS

Blog Post by Chris Heimerdinger explaining the top five archaeological evidences for the Book of Mormon



9

9,557 VIEWS

Evidence YouTube video on ancient names in the Book of Mormon



5

22,291 PAGEVIEWS

Blog Post describing Stylometric studies in the Book of Mormon



10

8,721 PAGEVIEWS

Event Page for the 2018 BMC Conference

The most popular video on our Spanish YouTube channel, an Evidence Video on the Book of Mormon translation, achieved more than 130,000 views. A second video about the archaeological evidence for the Book of Mormon place Nahom, reached 104,000 views in 2018.

Introducing ScripturePlus

New Formatting

In addition to traditional chapter and verse formatting, this app will feature paragraph formatting with helpful subheadings

Quotes

Quotations from General Conference and other sources that provide context and insights into particular verses

Images

Artwork, photographs, and charts to illustrate scripture and inspire readers

Videos

Readers will be able to watch videos that explain and illustrate the scriptures

Red-Lettering

User-controlled red lettering highlighting all references to and all words of Deity

Speaker Identification

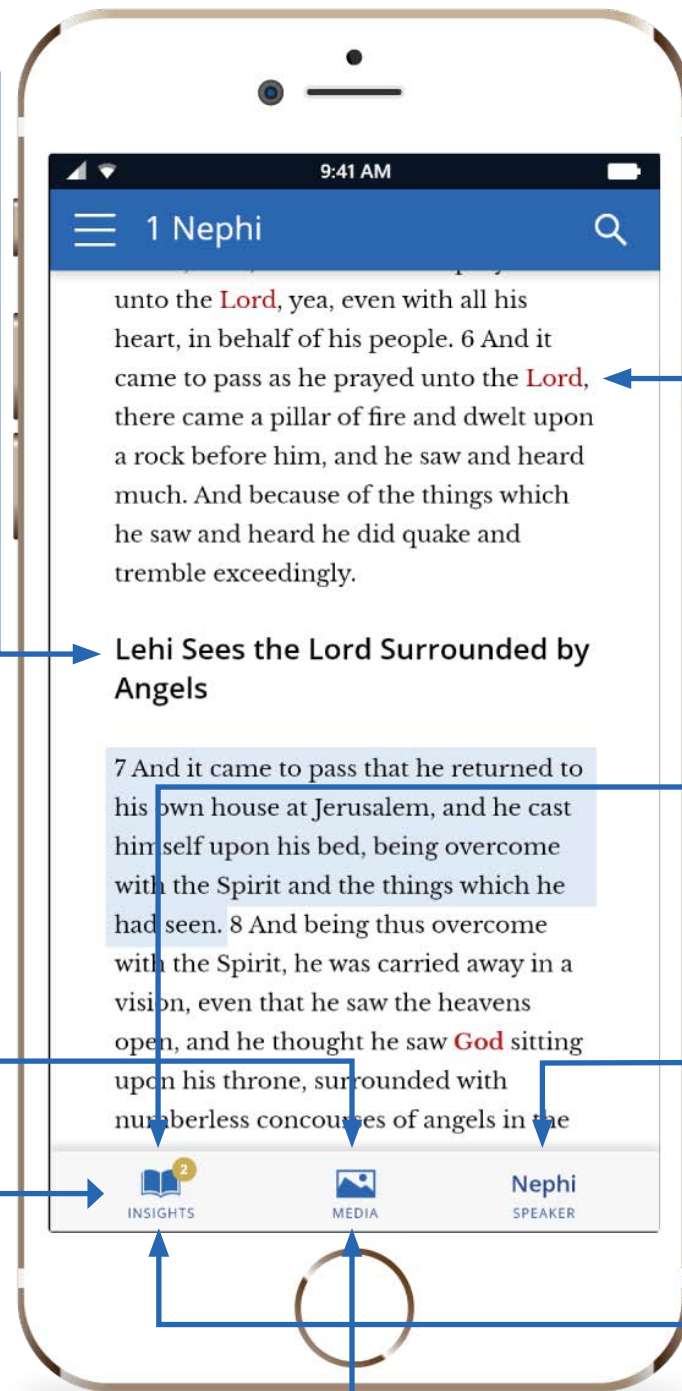
Know instantly who is the speaker/author/narrator in a given verse of scripture

Questions & Answers

Answers to common questions that arise from particular verses in the Book of Mormon

KnoWhys

BMC's premier publications will be accessible through this app as readers encounter important passages



Throughout 2018, Book of Mormon Central focused staff resources on the development of a mobile app for studying the Book of Mormon with abundant enrichment material. We are excited to report that content for version 1.0 of the app is now complete and the technical work is moving ahead rapidly. Look for a March 2019 beta release.

As part of the launch, Book of Mormon Central will produce tutorials to walk users through the various features of the scripture app. Future releases will bring additional features and new content.

2019 Projects

New Website Design

If you've visited Book of Mormon Central's website recently, you have undoubtedly noticed the new design that makes content more accessible and convenient for the user. The re-design is mobile-friendly and improves security.

Come Follow Me

BMC publishes a weekly study guide for individuals, families, and teachers using the Church's terrific new Come Follow Me curriculum. We are not the only ones publishing a weekly study guide, but many have said ours is the most comprehensive, attractive, interesting, and useful. Relevant KnoWhys are included, along with articles, videos, blog posts, and other selected resources. Some of the very good linked resources are from people not of our faith. A weekly article by New Testament scholar and BMC co-founder, Lynne Wilson, is proving popular.

Knowing Why Sequel

Book of Mormon Central's first book was published in 2017—*Knowing Why: 137 Evidences That the Book of Mormon Is True*. The book sold well enough that Covenant Communications has approved a sequel. The first book contained BMC's first 137 KnoWhys covering the first half of the Book of Mormon. The second book, covering the rest of the Book of Mormon, is expected later this year. In a future BMC Newsletter we will report the title, content and release date of this upcoming book.

Book of Mormon Challenge

A book written by Grace Guymon Jones was released in December, 2018—*The Challenge the Book of Mormon Makes to the World: Thirty Conditions Any Writer Must Meet to Produce a Comparable Book*. This 340 page work expands on Hugh B. Brown's challenge made several decades ago with new research and many great stories of faith and conversion. As the book amply demonstrates, neither Joseph Smith, an unlearned farm boy, nor the most celebrated scholars of his time or ours, could have produced the Book of Mormon without divine aid. Members of Book of Mormon Central's staff assisted Jones and made a significant contribution to her book.

New Offices

Book of Mormon Central is fortunate to have a permanent home provided by committed landlords who charge half the market rate for commercial office space and donate the other half as a tax deduction. The last quarter of 2018, BMC expanded and renovated its space. Instead of two suites, BMC now occupies four of the six suites in the building located at 330 East 400 South, Springville, Utah. In our new, expanded facility, we can accommodate volunteers, service missionaries, interns, and visiting scholars.

Studio

Book of Mormon Central's audio-visual studio is undergoing renovation. New cameras and other equipment have been added so we can produce more high-quality videos. In the past, it was often necessary to video interviews and panel discussions at off-site locations. Now, with the new expansion and attractive renovations, most videos can be produced in-house at lower cost.

*Left: The new Book of Mormon Central Studio.
Photography by Jasmin Rappleye*







Above, from left to right: The new research library at Book of Mormon Central; the exterior of the BMC office building; Jared Riddick and Tyson Yapias meeting in the BMC conference room; Neal Rappleye studying at his desk. All photographs by Jasmin Rappleye.

Research Library

Book of Mormon Central has over 2,500 items in its physical library located on the ground floor of its offices in Springville. Other than the collections at Brigham Young University's Harold B. Lee Library or the Church History Library in Salt

Lake, Book of Mormon Central likely has the best Book of Mormon library in the world—especially when you add in BMC's 5,000 archived digital assets. Book of Mormon Central's Archive includes hundreds of scanned volumes, audio, video and

media productions relating to the Book of Mormon, all easily accessible on the website. One timely, relevant or interesting work from the Archive is highlighted and shared with BMC email subscribers every week.

Events & Travel

Firesides

Panel Discussion on Saints

On September 7th, coordinated with the launch of the LDS Church's Saints volume, Book of Mormon Central filmed and published a dialogue where BMC staff members discussed their impressions, insights and review of the contents of the book. In the future, BMC will produce more breaking news-type interviews and discussions of Book of Mormon-related issues that are timely and relevant to current events.

Woodbury Fireside

Rick and Becky Woodbury graciously opened their home to approximately 50 people for a special Book of Mormon Central fireside. Those in attendance heard from Elder Kevin W. Pearson of the Seventy and Richard E. Turley, Managing Director of Church Public Affairs. In addition to captivating messages and reports on the need to inspire, strengthen and maintain testimonies in the Church, both men explained the need for independent organizations such as Book of Mormon Central, which provide faithful answers to difficult questions. As official representatives of the Church, they expressed appreciation for the many voluntary contributions to BMC—donations of time, talent and financial resources.

Other Firesides

On August 31, David Larsen represented BMC in a presentation to the St. George Institute at Dixie State University. He presented on temple themes found in the Book of Mormon and introduced the institute faculty to Book of Mormon Central as a resource for their students.

John W. Welch, Jasmin Rappleye, Jonathon Riley, and Neal Rappleye presented to a Provo Relief Society on September 11th. This select team demonstrated how to use Book of Mormon Central as a study aid and resource.

A Timpanogos Singles Fireside, attended by a crowd of 200, was held on September 13th and featured BMC staff members Kirk Magleby, Jasmin Rappleye, Neal Rappleye, Daniel Smith and Matt Roper. They

showed how the Book of Mormon can strengthen our faith in Jesus Christ through evidences of its authenticity.

Nicole Shepard, Taylor Halverson and Kirk Magleby presented to a Salt Lake County Ward Elders Quorum and Relief Society on September 30th.

On November 11th, BMC was invited to kick off the American Fork Central Stake Youth Conference by presenting an inspiring fireside on Book of Mormon evidences. Stephen Smoot, Jasmin Rappleye and Kirk Magleby presented on how learning about Book of Mormon evidences can increase your faith.

Daniel Smith represented Book of Mormon Central at a fireside in Colorado. He presented on his recent trip to Oman and how evidence in southern Arabia supports the historicity of the Book of Mormon.



From left to right: Jared Riddick, Neal Rappleye, Jasmin Rappleye, and Stephen Smoot on a Facebook live panel discussing the book Saints.



Stephen Smoot in Egypt

Other Events

Conferences in Spanish

On October 2, 2018, the first-ever Face to Face Lamanita was held in Riverton, Utah. About a hundred local Saints attended, with 300 more joining the Facebook live event remotely. People from 13 countries tuned in to experience lively presentations, music, and dance. Special thanks to Bishop Ryan Williams and his ward from Eagle Mountain for their strong support.

Javier Tovar of our Spanish team has been doing Book of Mormon Central conferences in all parts of Mexico for two years. In September he was invited to Guayaquil and Otavalo, Ecuador where he presented Book of Mormon Central to well over a thousand people in two stakes. The large and growing Spanish-speaking population in the Church is hungry for the kind of intelligent, inspiring, faith-affirming material Book of Mormon Central provides.

SBL Conference

Two of BMC's researchers and writers, Jonathon Riley and Stephen Smoot, represented Book of Mormon Central at the Society of Biblical Literature Conference in Denver, Colorado in November. Biblical scholars and university professors from around the world highly anticipate this annual conference and the research presented in this forum. Jonathon Riley presented two papers at SBL. One discussed the use of the Lot and the Levite concubine narratives in the Ammonihah story in the Book of Mormon. Riley's second paper discussed Saul's rise to power as the first King of Israel.

Hispanic Evangelical Leaders

Book of Mormon Central was represented at a luncheon for Hispanic Evangelical leaders on December 13th as part of the Religious Freedom Conference held at the J. Reuben Clark Law School on BYU campus. BMC leaders met with several leading evangelicals from Texas and California, explained Book of Mormon Central's mission, and demonstrated some of the many BMC products, both in English and Spanish, that increase faith in Jesus Christ.

Stephen Smoot in Israel, Jordan and Egypt

Stephen Smoot, BMC researcher, spent the December holidays taking ten members of the Wayne and Doneen DeMeester family from Seattle on a private tour of Israel, Jordan, and Egypt. During some of their evening time together, Stephen showed the DeMeesters a few of our

videos and briefed them on what we do at BMC. They were impressed and want to help us build relationships with people in the Seattle area. Wayne and Doneen are the senior Church Public Affairs couple for Washington and Oregon. They were instrumental in arranging President Nelson's September 15th devotional with 49,000 people in attendance at Safeco Field.

Stephen took photos of King Tut's steel dagger in the Cairo Museum. This dagger and the Jericho sword are the two artifacts that best illustrate the use of steel weapons in the ancient Near East as the Book of Mormon describes.

Filming in Oman

Daniel Smith, one of BMC's talented videographers and media producers, went to Oman with Warren Aston to film at Khor Khofot, the likely location of Nephi's Old World Bountiful. Daniel, an experienced drone pilot, expected to get some great aerials, but his drones were impounded at the Omani airport. He came back with gorgeous footage of the local geography, abundant water, vegetation, and animals, showing why this place is, indeed, "bountiful." This striking footage will be used in future BMC productions.



Elder Kevin W. Pearson at the Woodbury Fireside in October 2018

Meet the Team



BMC Spotlight — Javier Tovar

Javier Tovar is a respected archeologist, educator, and Church leader who lives in the Mexico City area. As Book of Mormon Central’s Latin American liaison, he has represented the Foundation in Mexico, Guatemala, Ecuador, and the U.S. Tovar is a former Stake President currently serving in the Mexico City North Mission Presidency. He is intimately acquainted with Teotihuacan, Tula Hidalgo, and many other important archaeological sites. His impressive credentials from INAH (National Anthropology and History Institute) allow him to not only guide tourists, but also to manage excavations as a dirt archaeologist. Javier taught history at Benemerito de las Americas for two decades before the Church converted the school into the Mexico City Missionary Training Center.

Javier has personally guided many General Authorities and other dignitaries (Utah Governor Gary Herbert) on visits to Mexican ruins. Every year he leads groups of Mexican Saints on Book of Mormon discovery tours around their country. He has participated in numerous research expeditions seeking to answer challenging questions about ancient cultures. He has given hundreds of talks over the years to Latter-day Saint groups large and small about the Book of Mormon in its ancient American setting.

Javier Tovar has a dream. He would love to share many important Mesoamerican archaeological sites with the world through a series of travel documentaries. He is currently taking classes on documentary filmmaking so when funding materializes, he will be ready to lead a small group of photogenic explorers all over Mexico, Belize, Guatemala, and Honduras.



Visiting Scholar — Tyler Griffin

Tyler Griffin is a member of the BYU Religious Education Faculty in the Ancient Scripture Department. He shares a passion (with Taylor Halverson and Daniel Smith of our staff) for helping people visualize the scriptures. A few years ago, Griffin had some animation students at BYU put together a theoretical internal Book of Mormon map with moving lines and dots showing missionary journeys, military expeditions, and other Book of Mormon migrations of people across a hypothetical landscape. He has been using this map in his BYU Book of Mormon classes to good effect.

Book of Mormon students would benefit from a more powerful version of this map where a user could swap base maps in and out to show different spatial relationships, depict mass migrations differently than single travelers, etc. A few months ago, Tyler hired a BYU student to program these improvements. That student, Paul Schwartz, has spent time in our office and benefited from interaction with our staff and some of our friends. This semester, Tyler Griffin has a partial Sabbatical and he has chosen to spend his free-time in our office working on improvements to his map. He has selected space on the second floor where he can work alongside Paul Schwartz and Israel Gonzalez, the only full-time software developer on our staff. Tyler and Paul will not have the interactive map ready for inclusion in our mobile app at launch, but it very well may come out in version 1.1 or 1.2. This is a new milestone—Book of Mormon Central has its first visiting scholar in residence.



Critics of the Book of Mormon almost always list the presence of horses in the New World during Book of Mormon times as a top issue. Mainstream science says they died out in the Americas at the Pleistocene/Holocene boundary (end of the last ice age) and were re-introduced by the Spaniards in 1492. The Book of Mormon mentions horses seven times in Near Eastern, Jaredite, and Lehite contexts. It would be great to find credible evidence of *Equus* (horse) survival into the Holocene period to settle this issue.

Circumstantial evidence exists as Daniel Johnson showed in his *BYU Studies* 54:3 (2015) article. Then in *BYU Studies* 56:4 (2017), Wade Miller (a renowned paleontologist) and Matt Roper reported the bombshell information that Miller had found horse remains in Mexico that dated to Book of Mormon times. The problem is a single Carbon-14 date could be an outlier. It will require a cluster of dates to make a solid case. Miller approached BMC for some modest

funding to pursue this research and we agreed to help.

He made five trips to Mexico in 2018. Matt Roper, Daniel Smith and Kirk Magleby accompanied Miller on his April trip to Saltillo. Lynne Wilson, Kirk Magleby, and Javier Tovar accompanied him on his November trip to San Luis Potosi. About a dozen Carbon-14 dates came out of the first four trips, none of them in the Book of Mormon time period. The trip in November was to Rancho Cordova near Cedral and Matehuala in the state of San Luis Potosi. We have since received the lab results from Carbon-14 tests run on the samples Miller submitted after this fifth trip. Two of them came back dating within Book of Mormon times.

Three Carbon-14 dates are still not enough. It is premature to get overly excited. Miller will return to Rancho Cordova soon to collect more samples which will be tested. The recent results, though, are encouraging and Miller is optimistic they will be

confirmed with more excavation. The good news is Miller has solid credentials and decades of experience. He has worked with a small group of the leading paleontologists in Mexico for more than twenty years. They have presented at conferences and published together in reputable journals multiple times. They continue collaborating at the Rancho Cordova site.

The site itself is a small ancient lake, now dried up, where sediments were deposited consistently, yielding well-ordered stratigraphy. When Wade Miller feels like his team has enough solid data to publish a paradigm-shifting piece, they will have all of their “ducks” lined up from the paleontology side. And, since Daniel Smith (BMC videographer) joined the group in April, we have video and drone footage of horse bones coming out of the ground and paleontologists working on horse bones in the Museo del Desierto lab in Saltillo, which will allow us to produce an impactful mini-documentary.

Fan Mail

Book of Mormon Central received reports of two people who joined the Church last year after seriously engaging our content – one in Houston, Texas and the other in Panama. The Houston convert was a student of comparative religion who was referred to the BMC website as a resource for her investigation of the Church.

BMC's many subscribers often send comments which we deeply appreciate. These recent thoughts were shared via email or Book of Mormon Central's website, Facebook page, YouTube channel, Podcast, or Blog:

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Each time I come to this site I'm impressed and thankful. What an incredible work you are doing. I just wanted to express that and encourage you to continue researching and publishing such helpful, interesting, and needed information.

BEN MCCLURE

“

Thank you for your interesting and informative KnoWhy articles. My two seminary-age sons race to the car every morning at 6:15 am to choose a podcast episode to listen to on the way to seminary. Great way to start our day!

RUSSELL BELL

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Every Sunday we read the Book of Mormon with a [non-member] neighbor—often we find some profound data in your publication that is perfect for our discussions!!

NANCY BECK

“

Discovering Book of Mormon Central and the amazing KnoWhys was an answer to my prayers. I have a college-age daughter struggling with her testimony. Information in the KnoWhys has answered many questions she had regarding the Book of Mormon and has given us faithful grounding for discussion.

ANONYMOUS

Salt Lake City, UT

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Thank you for the wonderful [Knowing Why] book [published by Covenant Communications]. I put it out on our main desk for all of our Curriculum Writers to peruse.

JUSTIN LETHER

Church headquarters

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Just thought you'd appreciate knowing that the other day in our seminary Facebook group, someone posted a question about Shiz, and before I could respond, three other people linked to the KnoWhy. So, lots of seminary teachers are using [BMC] as a go-to resource!

ANITA WELLS

Seminary teacher in Salt Lake City, UT

Fan Mail (Cont.)



I've watched Book of Mormon Central since its beginnings but am now overwhelmed by its world-wide circulation. Thank you for all the details, pictures, paintings, and the progression this wonderful offering has and is making.

I don't have a smartphone, don't do much with Facebook except with children and families. At age 98, I won't be on earth long enough to be involved with BMC and its promising future. After I "graduate," I hope [BMC] is available in the Spirit World! I believe I will be with others in the effort preparing for the Second Coming and doing missionary work.

I wanted to let you know how much . . . BMC has meant to me.

BETTY EVENSON
Salt Lake City, UT



I recently taught a Relief Society lesson on Elder Callister's Book of Mormon conference talk. I prepared a handout with additional resources, including links to bookofmormoncentral.org and the Journey of Faith documentary. A recent convert in our ward shared with me that she had read some inaccurate information online about the Book of Mormon and had been struggling with her testimony. After that lesson, she [accessed the resources on my handout] and it dispelled her misguided ideas and helped her to re-center her testimony!

KELSEY LAMBERT
Indiana



Thank you so much for the . . . *Knowing Why* book included in the care package you sent us. We are all incredibly excited to feast . . . on . . . the "words of Christ" made that much more alive, real, and meaningful through the important work that you all do. I am personally blessed to consider all of you friends and to have had Book of Mormon Central in my life.

ELDER WASHBURN
BMC youth volunteer living in Arizona before being called to serve a full-time mission



Thank you for all the good work you are doing with this project—a most worthwhile endeavor.

KENT SCOTT



It is wonderful to see all the BMC material from [BMC's] archive flooding the internet. Super!

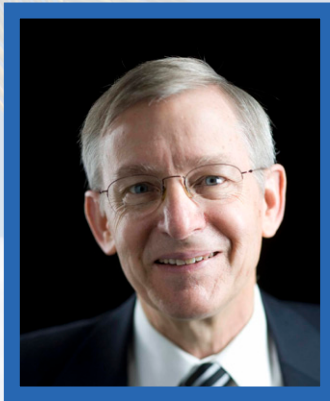
DOUG CHRISTENSEN
Logan, UT



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SUE PORTER

Book of Mormon Central Caribbean Cruise



December 14–21, 2019
Headliner John W. Welch

Book of Mormon Central's inaugural cruise will launch from Miami, Florida on December 14th and continue through December 21st with John W. Welch as the on-board educator. Discuss the latest Book of Mormon developments. Prepare for the Book of Mormon curriculum coming in 2020. Network and dine with new friends.

The ship will sail through the central-western Caribbean, with stops in Grand Cayman; Roatan, Honduras; Belize City, Belize; and Cozumel, Mexico. Between ports, and especially on sea days, Welch and the Book of Mormon Central staff will provide exciting, up-to-date, and informative lectures about and hands-on experience with the Book of Mormon.

Shore excursion options include snorkeling in Grand Cayman, zip lining through the jungle in Roatan, or enjoying a day at the beach. See the magnificent ruins at Lamanai (which date to Book of Mormon times) by taking a river boat ride through the jungle in Belize. Join local LDS guides in Mexico as they take us on a tour of the beautiful ocean-side ruins of Tulum from Cozumel.

Join us as we celebrate and build Book of Mormon Central during this exciting learning time together. Visit <http://www.cruiselady.com/tours/book-of-mormon-central-western-caribbean-cruise/> for more details



bookofmormoncentral.org

