

A Beginning

This issue of *Dialogue*, more than any other, is meant to open up dialogue on the subject of the international Church. It is also meant to celebrate the opening of the international Church in many of the countries of the world formerly closed to Mormons. President Kimball's charge to "make a beginning in every nation" is being realized. In preparing for it, we editors, staff and writers became more humble as time went on and as our own ignorance became more obvious. But it was an ignorance of excitement. We are thrilled at the messages from the many lands of the world, willing to listen to problems and to think about solutions. We are also aware of gaps in our coverage. Indeed, we don't feel that we have really "covered" anything. The words from Africa, from India, from behind the Iron Curtain are few. But our readers and writers tell us there will soon be more to write about. We stand in readiness.

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