PREFACE

THIS BOOK'S INTENT— TO PROVIDE COMFORT AND PEACE

This book is written first for those who have lost a loved one. The grief of separation cannot be escaped, but it may be assuaged if those left behind are confident that their loved one is in a wonderful place and wouldn't want to return even if they could.

It is also written for those close to the end of their mortal lives. If you are at this point in your life, you may be experiencing some trepidation. Hopefully, this book will alleviate most, if not all, of your concerns.

ADDRESSING IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

The majority of the world believes in a life after death, but there is remarkably little detail available, even in the Holy Bible, on what life will be like after death.

As medical technology has advanced, it has become possible to resuscitate individuals who were clinically dead. Many such individuals have outlined remarkable stories of touring a wondrous world of spirits before they were resuscitated.

Their experiences give us a glimpse of the answer to the question, "What will happen to me after I die?" These witnesses also received insight on such important questions as

"Who am I?"

"Where did I come from?"

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"Why am I here on earth?"
"Why does life have to be so difficult?"

THREE PERSPECTIVES CORROBORATE EACH OTHER

Going Home draws from the following three perspectives to provide some illumination with regard to these important questions.

- 1. Six individuals who describe their own near-death experience (NDE) or out-of-body experience (OBE).
- Nine individuals who have spent many years studying NDE cases.
- 3. Doctrine of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (commonly referred to as the "Mormons").

As the reader will see, these three perspectives tend to corroborate each other and, in so doing, provide a more compelling view of life after death than any one perspective could by itself.

NOT A SCIENTIFIC STUDY

This book is not offered as proof of life after death. Nor is it meant to convince the skeptic. It is intended to illuminate the conditions of the afterlife and magnify the faith of those who already believe in life after death. In addition, this book is not research. I am merely drawing from existing sources, compiling, and organizing the most illuminating information on universally relevant questions, putting it all into a format (one question per chapter) that will facilitate the reader's inquiry on specific points of interest.

NAMING THIS BOOK

I struggled to come up with a title for this book for almost a year. The top choice on the list was *Life Is Tough*, But *Then You Die!*

Then one day the title *Going Home* just popped into my mind, and immediately I knew that should be the title. From that point on, I noted how many of the witnesses and other NDE accounts referred to the world of spirits as "home."