

## **Aldon Trimble**



Aldon grew up in Vermont where his love for the mountains began, hiking and backpacking in his youth created a joy for the mountains. After a year of college he decided to serve his church and was assigned to Mexico for the space of 2 years, where much of the time was spent helping educate and serve the mountain people there. Aldon is currently married to his beautiful wife Mekenzie.

Aldon is currently in his last semester in the Utah Valley University (UVU) program for Political Science. His field of study has focused on economic development and sustainable development.

Aldon has always been interested in economic and sustainable development and the Utah International Mountain Forum (UIMF), a coalition of student clubs at UVU has been an intermediary for him to educate himself on sustainable development. One of the most important parts of his education is his association with service learning projects, working with locals and learning with them while helping to provide them with value and information. Currently Aldon is working with the UIMF as well as the UVU Office of New Urban Mechanics to highlight the issues present with children of incarcerated parents in Utah and this project's findings will be presented at Oxford during summer 2019.