## Dana Ward Bishopric

Bishop Richard Hale 834-3041 1 Counselor Dwight Morris 962-8221 2 Counselor Mark Standage 964-1685 Exec Secretary Pat Rogers 695-7616

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Dana Ward,

As a little kid growing up I used to look to General Conference with the anticipation that we might hear some new doctrine or have one of the mysteries of heaven revealed to us. Of course, those things never happened, but yet we were still taught and received council that was exactly what we needed for our time.

As a teenager, having recently graduated from high school, I remember the day we read the newspaper announcing President Kimball's revelation that <u>all</u> worthy male members could hold the priesthood. What an exciting moment that was!

As I have gotten older, my understanding and expectations of General Conference have become more refined. I no longer anticipate some new doctrine or one of the mysteries of heaven being unfolded to our understanding, but I still experience the same excitement I felt with President Kimball's announcement, when I hear the announcement of 5 more temples being built around the world. And you know, with each session of General Conference, we are still taught and receive council that is exactly what we need for our time. The Brethren are so in tune with what's going on around the world, and it thrills me when the Spirit testifies of the truthfulness of their messages and confirms that our Heavenly Father knows us personally, and knows what we need to hear.

We do live in a time when we should have great hope and optimism for the future. Our neighbors, friends, ward members, work associates, and all those we come in contact with need to feel our love for them – the love of our Heavenly Father that flows through us because we are blessed to have the truths of the restored gospel.

As members of the Dana Ward we are part of such a loving and friendly ward that goes about serving one another. What a blessing that is! We have so much to be thankful for and we need to continue to also extend that love to all those around us – not just to our ward members.

It is my prayer for each of us, that as the Ensign comes out next month, we take the opportunity to read and re-read the talks from General Conference and then pray to know how to apply them to our lives as well as how we can then bless the lives of those around us so they feel of our Savior's love for them through us. In the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen. Brother Mark Standage

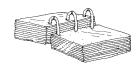
## Happy Birthday!

### OCTOBER 2009

- 1 Jana Crowe
- 2 Audrey Burklund
- 2 Cheryl Moore
- 4 Gordon Curtis
- 4 Linette Morris
- 4 Brigg Parker
- 8 Patrick Rogers
- 10 Cora Burgess
- 10 Sarah Morales
- 10 Bryson Patenge
- 11 Joseph Standage
- 11 Pat Martinez
- 11 Loni Unga
- 12 Mary Ann Kaberry
- 12 Peter Reyes
- 13 Joseph Dickson

## Missionary Mailbox

Elder Caleb T. Oldner (Argentina, Resistencia Mission) AV. Rivadavia 323 Resistencia, Chaco Argentina



This last week has been the best week of my mission. I really experienced the power of 'Personal Revelation'. We spent a lot of time trying to locate the address of a referal we received from a member and after searching diligently, we simply could not find this family. Finally, we went behind a tree and knelt down and prayed. We prayed we could locate the address and the family would be willing to accept the Gospel. It was amazing! We were then prompted to walk down the block and turn left. I was impressed that the house was on the left and we found it. It was right where the Spirit told me it would be. We knocked on the door and the mother of the family answered and invited us in. Turns out she was a member but had not been to church in 4 years. She is divorced but has 2 sons; Adriel, age 13 and Gabriel, age 11. We were able to give them what I felt was a powerful lesson on the restoration. On that first visit, the family set a baptism date for both boys. I have never felt the Spirit so strong. The knowledge of His love moved me to tears. I am so grateful for the whisperings of the Spirit. I know our Heavenly Father is very happy that He is going to have 2 more souls with the potential of entering into his kingdom. Both boys attended all 3 meetings yesterday and we also had a total of 8 INVESTIGATORS in church. That is the most we have ever had in one Sunday.

On my P-Day this week, I was able to visit Daniel Vergniani, my 61 year old convert of some months ago. On Aug. 29th, he baptized his wife and they plan to be sealed a year from now. I am so happy for this couple!

Last week, on our P-Day, we (6 elders) were able to visit Corrientes and got to do a lot of fun things. We all managed to successfully ride a mechanical bull, shop at Wal-Mart (and buy some A1 Steak Sauce), eat lunch at McDonalds and do 2 rounds of Bowling. It was a very fun but tiring day.

I have been learning a lot lately, in my personal study. I have a better understanding of Michael and Adam, the Angel Gabriel and John, the apostle of Christ. I think I understand their missions and purpose in the gospel plan. Some weeks we struggle to find investigators we can teach, but lately we have experienced a lot of success. Now we are

working with a rather large group that seem sincere and are progressing towards baptism. Pray for us as we need all the support we can get.

Love - Elder Oldner

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Love, Driggs

Elder Isaac Standage Micronesia Guam Mission PO Box 21749 GMF Barrigada 96921



Guam We are very excited to have an investigator family get baptized! They are Jason and Kristen and they have 3 kids and one on the way. Jason was discharged from the military recently so they will be moving back to Utah in a few weeks. It will be good for them to go there. The Lord works in mysterious ways. right? They are from Utah but had to come to Guam to find the Gospel. We are now encouraged to invite new investigators to also attend the baptism services of other new converts. A mission statistic says that one in every 2 people who attend a baptismal service gets baptized themselves. The baptism service was filled with obstacles. We had a problem with the drain and couldn't get it not to drain out faster than we could fill the font. We finally ended up putting a Tupperware lid from a large container over the drain and placed a large rock on top of that in an attempt to keep the water in the font. When we were ready for the actual baptism, so much had drained out anyway that we barely had enough in the font to adequately submerge them, but we did succeed. The power went out at the chapel about 3 hours before the services and didn't come back on until quite a while after the services were completed. We baptized Jason and Kristen rather than

Jason being ordained so he could baptize his wife. That is actually discouraged now since converts aren't given the Holy Ghost until the following day in Sacrament Meeting. It was a great experience and everything was successfully accomplished.

At a recent Zone Conference, I noticed that I could not read the information on the board at the front of the room. I had my eyes checked by a doctor and now have a new pair of glasses. I don't have to wear them all the time, and not when I am driving, but they do make a difference in many situations and they are working fine. I was happy to hear about the recent Stake Temple session. It sounded great. I am looking forward to attending the temple as one of the first things to do when I get home. We will get our copy of Gen. Conf. a week after the actual broadcast, so we are looking forward to that. Love to all in Mesa, Elder Standage.

### **NEW FACES IN DANA WARD PLACES**

We are delighted to have the Jose and Maria Sapien family join our Dana Ward Family. They are renting the Jonatan Morello home at 2103 E. Alpine (480-610-1370). Jose installs carpet and tile and Maria is a homemaker. The Sapien Family has been active in the Liahona Ward but has asked that their memberships be transferred to our ward as our building is closer to their new home. They have three children: Jennifer, age 18 and a high school graduate; Natalia, age 14 and a student at Taylor Jr. High; Jaime, age 12 and a student at Franklin East. Jaime is also a Deacon and Scout. Maria has been a member for about 15 years and Jose was baptized 6

years ago. They are from Sinaloa, Mexico which is along the Pacific Coast in the Mazatlan area. Jose has been serving in the YM and SS programs and Maria is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Couns. in the Liahona Ward YW program. Both parents have been active members of the ward choir and have been rehearsing to perform Dec. 29<sup>th</sup> with the Spanish Choir, at the Christmas Temple Grounds. CHEERS- on having this special family join our Dana Ward Family!

The Ray and Melissa Crandell family have moved into 149 S. Lazona (front facility) (480-353-9556). They come to us from the Mesa N. Stake, in the area of Stapley and University. They have 4 children: Golden, age 19; Steele, age 15 and a student at Mt. View; Kelsey, age 17 and a student at Westwood; and Elizabeth, age 8 and a student at Franklin East. Golden is hoping to find employment and is a skilled cartoon artist. We know he has a sense of humor because he cheerfully answers their phone as "Golden- Melissa's personal secretary!" He is currently working on a wall mural for his bedroom and also hoping to get into a Missionary Prep class and get his mission papers turned in. Steele is the family musician (plays the bari-saxiphone), and thoroughly enjoys participating in the school drama department productions. Kelsey is a cheer leader/gymnast and on the school diving team. She is also a 'pied piper' in working with young children. Elizabeth enjoys cooking and sewing and just made herself a tree swing which she enjoys very much. Brother Crandell is self employed in the upholstery business and specializes in custom upholstery. Melissa assists her husband and is also a legal assistant who works from home. She enjoys sewing as a hobby and also hiking. She has served in the stake and ward Primary and was just released

as the YW President. Ray was most recently the Ward Mission Leader. We heartily welcome the Crandells into our Dana Ward Family!

# Notes on Dana Ward Folks

A very special THANK YOU to Jessica Hale, Mariah Morales and Kimball Rogers for their service as our Sacrament Meeting Organists. We also greatly appreciate Bro. Kerwin Blau's talents as Chorister and Choir Leader. WE HAVE THE BEST!

Dan and Jennifer Oliver and family will be moving into their new home soon, which means we are losing them from our Dana Ward Family. We will miss them but wish them happiness in their new home and ward.

Also, Jonatan and Nadia Morello and family have moved to the Acacia Ward. David and Lillie Brower and their 2 children have returned to Flagstaff to resume college classes. Lavena Herbert and her daughter Christy Ward and Christy's children have moved to Apache Junction. Derrick and Darci Schneider have also moved from the ward. Gary and Lori Towne and their 2 daughters, have also moved. We will miss all these special people from our Dana Ward Family. We wish them luck!

We are excited and happy for the **Trent and April Parker family**. They are moving to
Charlotte, N. Carolina where she was able to
transfer as a Physician's Assistant and they
will also be living near April's parents. Trent
is in Bus. Mngmt. and can continue his job
from there. The bad news is that they will be

leaving our ward. "Our loss - N. Carolina's Gain"! They are expecting to move Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>.

Cheryl Lans is excited about working on her family records and has been able to do a lot of baptisms at the temple for her deceased ancestors. Yeah Cheryl!

There are still serious concerns with **Billy Reynold's** heart surgery but he is steadily improving. He is in the Rehab Center of the VA Hospital in Tucson and it is projected that he will probably remain there for another month because of some serious infection complications. He is walking around and is working on getting his appetite back. He is in good spirits and mostly concerned about the stress on Arlyce. She spends most of the day with Bill and is also able to sleep in the Rehab Facility. She has a cousin that lives in Tucson and she takes a break with them once in awhile. Probably near the end of Dec., Bill will return to the hospital for a plastic surgery procedure to close the chest incision. Bill and Arlyce both have expressed gratitude and appreciation for cards and letters from the ward members. Son, Olen, who is living in the Reynolds home in our ward, makes a trip down to visit his parents at least once a week and would be happy to take any cards. Just drop them off at the house at 1944 E. Dana. We wish Bill a complete recovery and are anxious for his return to Mesa and ward activities. Get well soon Billy!

Kerwin Blau and Jeff Hoeppner are taking up Smok'in - as in "BBQ Smok'in"! Kerwin's new BBQ Business (Smok'in Tunes) competed last month at the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Prescott BBQ Days. They won 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the "Ribs" Division and won several other prizes with pork, chicken and overall meat varieties. Not bad when they were up against 40 other competitors!

His crew consists mostly of **Heidi and Jeff** and sometimes **David Morales**. YAHOO!

Be sure and ask **Floy Johnson** about her recent trip to Hawaii. She did all the wonderful tourist things and saw the beautiful side of that special island paradise!

The **Kayberrys** are also back from their trip to Australia where they visited Anthony's family. "Right on yuh Mate!"

**Chris Martin** got to attend General Conference last week with her youngest son, Chad. She also got to spend some quality time with Utah grandchildren.

The Ward Bobbsey Twins (Bert Charon and Leora Dutson) will be returning to Arizona in October. Welcome home Sisters. We've missed you!

Our condolences to **Dan Oliver** on the passing of his brother recently.

**Rick Rogers and Holly Boyle** will be married in the Mesa Temple on Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>. Both are currently attending MCC. **Congratulations!** 



Congratulations to **David and Jessica Hawks** who have a new baby boy at their house. **Emmett James** was born July 31<sup>st</sup> and weighed 8#, 15 oz. They paid 'extra' so Emmett came with a full head of dark brown hair!

Wes and Mary Filhart finally got their little girl Aug. 19<sup>th</sup>. They have named her **Lily Mae**. She weighed 7# and 5 oz. Congratulations!

Joseph and Christina
Cowlishaw had a little boy by
C Section on Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>. Craig
Joseph Cowlishaw weighed in at 9#
and 6 oz. He arrived 2 weeks early but

everyone is healthy and doing well.

Jaimie Waldman has a new, beautiful little boy named Benjamin Garcia Waldman. He was born Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> and weighed in at 6# and 11 oz. Benjamin has arrived just in time to welcome home his daddy, Brad, from a tour of duty in Iraq. Brad is finishing up a brief assignment in California before he is released for a 30 day "maternity leave" and can return to Mesa and meet his new son. He is a medical corpsman in the Navy and is anticipating a new assignment for at least a few months, in Calif. Jaimie and Benjamin are hopeful they can join him there.

After a long illness of **John and Dolores Barnum**, John is now home from the hospital.
Our prayers are with you, that you both continue to get better. We have missed you both!

Many of us will remember Betsy Rogers three grandsons who served together in Iraq a couple of years ago. Two of them have been called to return to Iraq with a Tucson National Guard Unit in February. Wes, the youngest one, just recently returned from a full time mission (Spanish Speaking) to Texas and plans to marry soon.

Lance McGraw has recently completed and certified for his Woodbadge Scout Leadership Training. He attended training at the R-C Scout Ranch up on the Rim and then fulfilled all of his personal goals after his return home. This is a wonderful accomplishment by Lance. Congratulations!

**Diane Haltom**, a former member of the 19<sup>th</sup> Ward, passed away on Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>. Her funeral was held in her Gilbert Ward Bldg.. Diane died of complications from recent heart surgery and a stroke.

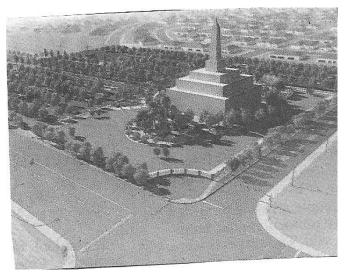
### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Hope you got to attend the 25<sup>th</sup> Silver Anniversary Celebration of our Pueblo Stake which was held in the Stake Center, Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>. Displays of 25 years of memorabilia were available for your enjoyment and shared memories. Many thanks to all those who worked so hard to present this special event.

The Church has released a new LDS edition of the Holy Bible in Spanish. It is available in print, electronic and audio formats. More information is available in Spanish and English at SantaBiblia.lds.org.

Our own Mesa Temple has a new presidency as of Nov. 1st. They are: Pres. Daryl H. Garn Matron-Irene Garn 1st Co. Robert Layton Asst. Mat-Dianne Layton 2nd Co. Russell S. Gilliland Asst. Mat-Karen Gilliland

Construction plans for the LDS temple in Gilbert, Az.is moving forward. The Gilbert Planning Commission approved a series of zoning changes on Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>. The final architectural drawings are not complete but it will be a square and tiered structure with a tall, thick steeple resembling the Washington Monument. Flanking the temple on either side will be two heavily landscaped areas similar to the LDS temple in Mesa. The temple is planned for the southeast corner of Pecos and Greenfield roads. A current major power line running down the south side of Pecos may be put underground and a roundabout traffic pattern installed for safer entry and exits from the temple property. It is estimated that the Gilbert Temple could be completed in the next three years.



Rendering of the Gilbert Temple

The Angel Moroni statue was placed on the steeple of the **Gila Valley Temple** on Sept. 22, 2009. To view 62 pictures of the construction progress on this temple, including the Angel Moroni, go to <a href="https://www.ldschurchtemples.com/gilavalley/construction/">www.ldschurchtemples.com/gilavalley/construction/</a>.



Gila Valley Temple

More than 650 Church members showed up Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> to watch the Angel Moroni statue being lifted into place on their **Kyiv** (**Ukraine**) **Temple.** This temple will serve Eastern Europe, East Area and is expected to be completed sometime in 2010.

Utah's 13<sup>th</sup> temple, the **Oquirrh (Oker) Mtn. Temple** was dedicated August 21, 2009 by Pres.
Thomas S. Monson on his 82<sup>nd</sup> birthday.

Pres. Thomas S. Monson announced **5 new** temples at General Conference. They are to be built in Brigham City, Utah (the 14<sup>th</sup> in Utah), Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. (to serve south Florida and the Bahamas), Concepcion, Chile (the 2<sup>nd</sup> in Chile), Fortaleza, Brazil (the 7<sup>th</sup> in Brazil) and Sapporo, Japan (the 3<sup>rd</sup> in Japan). Exact sites will be announced later.

The earthquake/tsunami that struck Samoa Sept 29<sup>th</sup> has killed 8 LDS members, including 2 children and several are still missing. All of the full-time missionaries assigned to the impacted areas of the South Pacific have been accounted for except for 2 native sisters serving in Tonga. Their names have not appeared on a government produced casualty list so it is assumed they are alright. Their area was supposed to have been missed by the tsunami. Damaged communications in these areas have prevented much information. Several chapels in Samoa were heavily damaged or destroyed but the Apia Samoa Temple suffered no structural damage. The horn from the Angel Moroni snapped off and fell to the ground but can be repaired. Many member's homes in Tonga and Samoa were destroyed or received heavy damage. Damage is expected to be heaviest in the southern parts of Samoa and in American Samoa. Because the quake hit during mission transfers, many of the missionaries were in the mission home in Apia. One missionary emailed his parents with his account: "I was serving in the village of Malaela on the SE coast of Upolu when the quake struck. I heard a man yelling that a tsunami was coming and walked outside to see what was happening. I saw people running and screaming towards the forest. I grabbed some sneakers and started running. Along the way, I picked up some kids and continued running with my companion. The water was right behind us. There is no high ground, so when we reached some trees, we began to climb. We thought the water was going to sweep the trees away, and us with them, but after reaching about 5 feet, the water receded and we were able to climb down and continued running deeper into the forest. I lost all of my belongings, but we were happy our lives were spared. We were taken into the

mission home and the missionaries expect to assist wherever we are needed." Many LDS Samoans living in the U.S. have still been unable to make contact with their family living in Samoa.

The Church is always encouraging us to use the wonderful resources available to research our ancestors. The Mesa Regional Family History Center always has FREE, on-going classes to teach you the basics of HOW-TO do your research. You can pick up a current schedule of classes at the FHC located across the street, on the east side of the temple or call them for information and to sign up at 480-964-1200.

Right now basic classes on **U.S.** Research are being offered on either Tuesday afternoons at 1:30 or Wed. evenings at 6:30 pm in the LDS Chapel located on the South side of the temple until renovations to the FHC facility are completed. They Are:

Oct 13 and 14: Vital Records

Oct 20 & 21: Migration

Oct 27 & 28: Maps, gazetteers, directories etc

Nov 3 & 4: Land Records

Nov 10 & 11: Probate & Court Records

Nov 17 & 18: Church Records
Dec 1 & 2: Military Records
Dec 8 & 9: Immigration Records
Dec 15 & 16: Naturalization Records

They are also offering classes on HOW-TO research the records of **England**, **Ireland**, **Scotland and Wales**. Basic classes will be taught thru Oct. and Nov. at the Chapel building located on the South side of the temple. They will be held either Wed. afternoon at 1:30 pm or Thurs evenings at 6:30 pm. These wonderful and easy classes are:

Oct 14 and 15: Civil Registration Oct 21 and 22: Church Records Oct 28 and 29: Land Records

Nov 4 and 5: Probate and Court Records

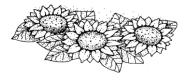
Nov 11 and 12: Military Records Nov 18 and 19: Immigration Records You can be empowered to do your family research by either Thanksgiving or Christmas of this year! So..... What are YOU waiting for? Hint: if you take the class once, you will be glad you did. You can always REPEAT the class again later to polish up your skills or become more confident. It's fun - you'll always find experts to help you and you'll make new friends and SAVE YOUR ANCESTORS! And best of all - "IT's FREE!"

The South American, Atlantic Coast country of Guyana has failed to renew work permits and visas for 40 LDS missionaries serving in that country. Although detained, they were never arrested. They are voluntarily leaving the country over a 30 day period. New missionary replacements will be allowed to enter the country and continue to conduct Church activities. Church leaders are continuing negotiations with the leaders of Guyana to resolve the issues. The Church has had missionaries in Guyana for the past 20 years.

The Aba Nigeria Temple has been closed indefinitely because of civil unrest in its vicinity. There were concerns for the safety of the temple visitors and workers. The Aba temple was dedicated in Aug., 2005. The decision regarding the temple's closure will be reevaluated as conditions in the area change.

Dry Pack items available for Oct: milk, regular oats, macaroni, carrots, apples, pinto beans. (Order due 27 Sept, canning on Oct 22.) Nov: potato flakes, fruit drink mix, sugar, black beans, rice, quick oats. (Order due Nov 1, canning on Nov 23.) Dec: white beans, refried beans, cocoa, flour, onions, red wheat. (Order due 6 Dec, canning on Dec 29th.) Canning time is always 1 pm. Call Rosa Rodriguez for further information 644-0128.





282-8479

1 Couns Mary Filhart 452-8618 2 Couns Naomi Morales 218-5887 Sec Dawna Bury 298-0562

We are happy to welcome the following sisters to new positions in the Ward Relief Society:

Michelle Unga is now a teacher; Katy Smelser is the Compassionate Service Coordinator; and Pinki Hoeppner is the Visiting Teacher
Coordinator.



# Young Women

Pres. Kim Hale 834-3041
1st Counselor Miriam Martin 313-7194
2nd Counselor Jen Oliver 219-8443
Secretary Elizabeth Stark 964-7754

The Laurel Class has a new Presidency: President – Lana Hunt 1<sup>st</sup> Counselor – Katey Turner

2<sup>nd</sup> Counselor – Danielle Driggs Secretary – Jessica Hale

**Jolene Emerick** was baptized on Saturday the 29<sup>th</sup> of August! Awesome!

# **YOUNG MEN**

Pres. Darren Eyring 835-1799 1<sup>st</sup> Couns. Wes Filhart 277-1924 2<sup>nd</sup> Couns. Lance McGraw 699-0723 Sec. Conley Martin 313-7194

"On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; To help other people at all times; To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight." The Scout Oath

# October schedule for "DUTY TO GOD" ACHIEVEMENT FOR THE WARD YM:

Deacons: Duty To God Assignment						
October 2009	- 11	F5:	Start 1 month goal w/ permission of a parent, prepare 2 meals for the family. AND wash, iron and/or fold your clothes.			
	2	C2:	Be a friend to someone who may feel left out, and invite him to a quorum or Mutual activity.			
	89.	F5:	Prepare meals and Clothes goal			
	12-18	E2:	Choose 2 careers of interest. Find out the educational requirements for them, and interview someone in those careers.			
	19 - 25	<b>F</b> 5:	Prepare meals and Clothes goal			
		S2:	Read The Family Proclamation and "The Living Christ: The Testimony of the Apostles." Discuss w/parents.			

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	-1	F5:	Prepare meals and Clothes goal. Congratulation you've completed your goal!!			
	26	E10:	Read at least 4 articles of a church magazine. Ex: Read 4 talks in the Conference Issue of the Ensign.			
Teachers: Duty To God Assignment						
October 2009	5 - 11	S7	Start 3 month goal. Start a journal and write in it regularly for 3 months.			
		Q5:	Invite and bring to church meetings a friend, a less-active member, or a new member your age.			
	8	27	Write in your journal.			
	12-18	E6:	Discuss how the career of your choice would allow you to maintain the moral standards of the Church.			
	19 - 25	P10 & P11:	P10: Explain to parents (leaders) how to survive for 48 hours if lost in both warm and cold seasons. Identify edible plants and animals, and explain how you would ensure the safety of drinking water. AND P11: Learn and demonstrate the most important distress signals to use during a crisis or when you are lost.			
	1	57	Write in your journal.			
	- 92	:63	For <u>Mutual on Wednesday</u> have a "Career Night" where a guest speaker describes the steps a person should take to apply for a job.			
Р	riest	s: Dı	uty To God Assignment			
October 2009	5 - 11	E10:	Create at least 3 things of a creative hobby or craft			
		F9:	Submit the name of one of your ancestors for temple work, or write a 500 word personal history.			
	12-18	E10:	Create at least 3 things of a creative hobby or craft			
		F5c:	Prepare and Teach Family Home Evening Lesson			
	9 - 25	E10:	Create at least 3 things of a creative hobby or craft			
		٠.	As a quorum discuss <u>lesson 42</u> : Honesty, in the Aaron Priesthood Manual 1. Include in discussion			



CATCH UP WEEK! REVIEW PERSONAL CHOICE PLAN!!

Aaron Priesthood Manual 1. Include in discussion the importance of honesty and integrity in daily

For Mutual: Present or demonstrate your creative

President Jennifer Mehlberg 279-2790 1st Couns Cheeri Redd 834-7788 2nd Couns Darcy Allen 733-4339 Secretary Janet Hassell 969-4276

### **Sunday Activities**

Oct Theme: "The Family: A Proclamation to the

World" teaches me about families.

Oct Scripture: "The family is central to the Creator's

plan for the eternal destiny of His children."

("Proclamation", paragraph 1)

Oct 18: Practice for Primary Program Oct 25: Primary Presentation in Sacrament Meeting - 9:00am

### PRIMARY ACTIVITY DAY

Saturday, October 24 9:30 to 11:00am In the Chapel

We will be practicing for the Sacrament Meeting Presentation

KIDS! Watch for information on the Ward Halloween Party scheduled for Saturday, October 31 You won't



want to miss it!

### MARGIN NOTES:

"Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." And they straightway left their nets and followed him. Matt 4:19-20

"We don't see things as they are, we see them as WE are." Anais Nin

When life gets too hard to stand - try kneeling.

Do not ask the Lord to guide your footsteps if you are unwilling to move your feet.

Be yourself - Everyone else is taken!

It's your **Attitude** that determines your **Altitude** in life - not your **Aptitude**.

Let us go up to the mountain of the Lord... and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths. Isaiah 2:2-3

Pain nourishes courage. You can't be brave if you've only had wonderful things happen to you.

Mary Tyler Moore

Life is like a mirror. If you frown at it, it frowns back. If you smile at it, it returns the greeting. Herbert Samuels

Adversity is another way to measure the greatness of individuals. I never had a crisis that didn't make me stronger. Lou Holtz

Destiny is not a matter of chance. It is a matter of choice. It is not a thing to be waited for, it is a thing to be achieved. William Jennings Bryan

Yesterday is not ours to recover, but tomorrow is ours to win or to lose. Lyndon B. Johnson

What do we live for it not to make life less difficult for each other. George Eliot

The person who says it cannot be done should not interrupt the person who is doing it.

Chinese proverb

When you get to the end of your rope, tie a knot and hang on. Some pursue happiness, others create it. Franklin D. Roosevelt

You've got to continue to grow, or you're just like last night's cornbread - stale and dry. Loretta Lynn

You only live once - but if you work it right, once is enough. Joe E. Lewis

Pleasure in the job puts perfection in the work.

Aristotle

An attitude of gratitude creates blessings.
Sir John Templeton

You cannot prevent the birds of sorrow from flying over your head, but you can prevent them from building nests in your hair. Chinese Proverb

Optimism is essential to achievement and it is also the foundation of courage and of true progress. Nicholas Murray Butler

We act as though comfort and luxury were the chief requirements of life, when all that we need to make us really happy is something to be enthusiastic about. Charles Kingsley

Adversity causes some men to break; others to break records. William A. Ward

If you have made mistakes, even serious ones, there is always another chance for you. What we call Failure is not the falling down, but the staying down. Mary Pickford

The deeper that sorrow carves into your being, the more joy you can contain. Kahlil Gibran

Don't regret growing older. It is a privilege denied to many. Unknown Author

You are younger today than you will ever be again. Make use of it for the sake of tomorrow.

Learn from the mistakes of others. Trust me, you won't live long enough to make them all yourself. I've tried!

Experience is a wonderful thing. It enables you to recognize a mistake when you make it again.

Show me a guy who's afraid to look bad, and I'll show you a guy you can beat every time. Lou Brock

The more you have, the more you're occupied; the less you have, the more free you are.

Mother Teresa

That they may have a little peace, even the best dogs are compelled to snarl occasionally.

William Feather

Be loyal to what you love, be true to the earth, fight your enemies with passion and laughter.

Edward Abbey

The supreme happiness of life is the conviction of being loved for yourself, or, more correctly, being loved in spite of yourself. Victor Hugo

Men are from Earth! Women are from Earth! Deal with it!

Bills travel through the mail at twice the speed of checks!

I always know that God won't give me more than I can handle. There are times I just wish he didn't trust me quite so much.

Everyone has a photographic memory. Some just don't have any film!

Remember - Once you get over the hill, you'll begin to pick up speed!

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A VETERAN – whether active duty, retired, national guard or reserve – is someone who, at one point in his or her life, wrote a blank check made payable to the "united States of America" for an amount of "up to and including, MY LIFE"! That is an honor and there are way too many people who have forgotten that!

Anonymous

### **GENERAL TOPICS**

"None of us makes it through this life without problems and challenges - and sometimes tragedies and misfortunes. After all, in large part we are here to learn and grow from such events in our lives. We know that there are times when we will suffer,

when we will grieve, and when we will be saddened. However, we are told, 'Adam fell that men might be; and men are, that they might have joy.'"

Pres. Thomas S. Monson

We will go down, for there is space there, and we will take of these materials, and we will make an earth whereon these may dwell;
And we will prove them herewith, to see if they will do all things whatsoever the Lord their God shall command them. Abraham 3:24-25

He that is happy shall be happy still; and he that is unhappy shall be unhappy still. Mormon 9:14

A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another. John 13:34-35

Wherefore, I the Lord, knowing the calamity which should come upon the inhabitants of the earth, called upon my servant Joseph Smith, Jun., and spake unto him from heaven, and gave him commandments... D&C 1:17

As well might man stretch forth his puny arm to stop the Missouri River in its decreed course, or to turn it up stream, as to hinder the Almighty from pouring down knowledge from heaven upon the heads of the Latter-day Saints. D&C 121:33

"It is both revealing and invigorating to occasionally set aside the worries of life, seek the company of a friendly book and mingle with the great of the earth, counsel with the wise of all time, look into the unlived days with prophets...From the reading of 'good books' there comes a richness of life that can be obtained in no other way...To become acquainted with real nobility as it walks the pages of history and science and literature is to strengthen character and develop life in its finer meanings."

Pres. Gordon B. Hinckley

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness. 2 Timothy 3:16

We can receive direction for ourselves and our families by personal revelation in answer to our

humble prayers and by being in tune with God's prophet. David B. Haight

"Be thankful that sometimes God lets you struggle for a long time before that answer comes. Your character will grow; your faith will increase." Elder Richard G. Scott

Whatever principle of intelligence we attain unto in this life, it will rise with us in the resurrection.

D&C 130:18

It is impossible for a man to be saved in ignorance. D&C 131:6

Therefore, all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them. 3 Nephi 14:12

Wherefore, if ye shall press forward, feasting upon the word of Christ, and endure to the end, behold, thus saith the Father: Ye shall have eternal life. 2 Nephi 31:20

What meaneth the rod of iron which our father saw, that led to the tree? And I said unto them that it was the word of God; and whoso would harken unto the word of God, and would hold fast unto it, they would never perish... 1 Nephi 15:23-24

"When the winds of change blow fiercely and the waves sweep over us, we have a tree or rod of principle to which we can cling for safety. It is the gospel of Jesus Christ which has been restored to the earth in its fullness." Pres. Spencer W. Kimball

And the voice of warning shall be unto all people, by the mouths of my disciples, whom I have chosen in these last days. D&C 1:4

"The Church will always stand for that which is honest, virtuous, true and praiseworthy. Such a pronounced stand for righteousness constitutes a repudiation against every evil and all false philosophies."

Pres. Ezra Taft Benson

"To seek spiritual high ground is to rise above the world and its temptations and to follow the Savior."

Elder Robert D. Hales

"Gracias, danke, merci - whatever language is spoken, 'thank you' frequently expressed will cheer your spirit, broaden your friendships, and lift your lives to a higher pathway as you journey toward perfection. There is a simplicity - even a sincerity - when 'thank you' is spoken." Robert W. Woodruff

"I find myself hungering and thirsting for just a word of appreciation or of honest evaluation from my superiors and my peers. I want no praise; I want no flattery; I am seeking only to know if what I gave was acceptable."

Pres. Spencer W. Kimball

And if men come unto me I will show unto them their weakness, I give unto men weakness that they may be humble...for if they humble themselves before me, and have faith in me, then will I make weak things become strong unto them. Ether 12:27

"And as all have not faith, seek ye diligently and teach one another words of wisdom; yea Seek ye out of the best books, words of wisdom; seek learning, even by study and also by faith." D&C 88:118

Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your soul. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. Matt 28:11-30

"As we search for the shore of safety and peace, whether we be individual women and men, families, communities, or nations, Christ is the only beacon on which we can ultimately rely." Pres. Howard W. Hunter

... But if it be called in My name then it is My church if it so be that they are built upon my gospel.

3 Nephi 27:8

"A prayer at the moment of crisis may be too late.

That is why we must pray always."

Pres. Henry B. Eyring

There are those who do the most wonderful things with leftovers - they throw them away!

God, I need to remember that yesterday is past. Help me to learn from it and not let it spoil today. Dear God - help me to reach out to others who may be just as scared as I am.

If your day is hemmed in prayer, it is less likely to unravel.

Some days are filled with petty annoyances. Grant me the ability to recognize their unimportance and move beyond them.

King Benjamin admonished: "And I would that ye should remember that whosoever among you borroweth of his neighbor should return the thing that he borroweth, according as he doth agree, or else thou shalt commit sin; and perhaps thou shalt cause thy neighbor to commit sin also." Mosiah 4:28

And there had been murders, and contentions, and dissensions, and all manner of iniquity among the people of Nephi; nevertheless for the righteous' sake, yea, because of the prayers of the righteous, they were spared. Alma 62:40

"By living the gospel of Jesus Christ, we develop within ourselves a living spring that will quench eternally our thirst for happiness, peace, and everlasting life." Elder Joseph B. Wirthlin

"Be dependable and reliable in all you do. It is a choice blessing to be someone people can count on. Such an honor does not come easily or quickly. It is earned. But if you achieve it, it will bring great dividends." Elder Steven E. Snow, Presidency of the 70

"I have never heard anyone complain for having been thanked too much. Remember people thrive on praise and recognition."

Elder Steven E. Snow, Presidency of the 70

"Balance hard work with play. Exercising and eating and spending time with them are all important." Elder Steven E. Snow, Presidency of the 70 That same sociality which exists among us here will exist among us there {2<sup>nd</sup> coming}, only it will be coupled with eternal glory, which glory we do not now enjoy. D&C 130:2

"Death, like birth, is part of life. Scripture tells us that "it was not expedient that man should be reclaimed from this temporal death, for that would destroy the great plan of happiness' (Alma 42:8). To return to God through the gateway of death is a joy for those who love him." Elder Russell M. Nelson

For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

1 Corinthians 15:21-22

"Many of us in the modern world are prodigal sons. We have not only left home, we have forgotten it and the Father who still waits to unfold to us not only 'all that I have' but also, 'all that I am.'"
Truman G. Madsen

"Were it not for the veil of forgetfulness, we could not stand this world. Our mortal amnesia is the Lord's anesthesia." Truman G. Madsen

"We stand and testify and speak well about the Lord's menu. But do we deliver the Lord's food and feed his sheep with heavenly manna?" Truman G. Madsen

"In refusing to forgive another, we, in effect, attempt to deny the blessings of the Atonement to that person." Truman G. Madsen

### MISSIONARY

There is a difference between presents and gifts. The true gifts may be part of ourselves - giving of the riches of the heart and mind. James E. Faust

"If any of us has been slow to hearken to the counsel to pray always, there is no finer hour to begin than now." Pres. Thomas S. Monson

And truth is knowledge of things as they are, and as they were, and as they are to come; And whatsoever is more or less than this is the spirit of that wicked one who was a liar from the beginning.

D&C 93:24-25

And again I would exhort you that ye would come unto Christ, and lay hold upon every good gift, and touch not the evil gift, nor the unclean thing.

Moroni 10:30

"There is something of divinity within you and me, each of us, something divine, something tremendous and wonderful, to be lived up to, to be thought about, to be meditated on, to be reckoned with. Life is a mission and not a career. It is a great and eternal journey that leads onward and upward to good and wonderful things."

Pres. Gordon B. Hinckley

And again, the elders, priests and teachers of this church shall teach the principles of my gospel, which are in the Bible and the Book of Mormon, in the which is the fullness of the gospel. D&C 42:12

Faith is a lamp in the hands of men. If it is never lighted, the world is seldom aware that they have passed. Douglas Meador, newspaper editor and publisher

"Faith without works is like a bird without wings; though she may hop with her companions on earth, yet she will never fly with them to heaven."

Francis Beaumont, English playwright

"Every aspect of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the principles, the doctrines, and the commandments are part of our Heavenly Father's plan to help us obtain peace and happiness."

Elder Joseph B. Wirthlin

"By being the first in your family to accept the gospel you become the first generation, a chosen generation, through which generations past, present and future may be blessed." Elder Paul B. Pieper, 70

"You will walk where no one in your family has walked before. Conditions around you may be challenging...At times you may become discouraged wondering if it is all worth it. I assure you that it is."

Elder Paul B. Pieper, Seventy

Faith fuels hope and allows people to be spiritually sensitive to the whisperings of the Spirit. Elder David S. Baxter, seventy

Service helps people rise above their own cares, concerns and challenges. Miraculously, their own burdens diminish. Elder David S. Baxter, seventy

And remember in all things the poor and the needy, the sick and the afflicted, for he that doeth not these things, the same is not my disciple. D&C 52:22

To you who have embraced the gospel of our Lord and Savior, stand as a beacon on a hill to light the way for those who seek a happier, more fulfilling life.

L. Tom Perry

For whosoever will save his life, shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it. Mark 8:35

"As the mists of darkness gather around us, we are only lost if we choose to let go of the iron rod, which is the word of God." David S. Baxter, 70

For how knoweth a man the master whom he has served, and who is a stranger unto him, and is far from the thoughts and intents of his heart?

Mosiah 5:13

But behold, I, Nephi, will show unto you that the tender mercies of the Lord are over all those whom he hath chosen, because of their faith, to make them mighty even unto the power of deliverance.

1 Nephi 1:20

Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. Matt 11:28, 30

And now, verily, verily, I say unto thee, put your trust in that Spirit which leadeth to do good - yea, to do justly, to walk humbly, to judge righteously; and this is my Spirit. D&C 11:12

Yea, blessed are they who shall believe in your words, and come down into the depths of humility and be baptized... 3 Nephi 12:2

"We can all have peace of mind if we are willing to rid ourselves of the ballast that prevents us from rising to greater spiritual heights."

#### Elder Jacob deJager

Behold, I sent you out to testify and warn the people, and it becometh every man who hath been warned to warn his neighbor. D&C 88:81

"The testimony of the truthfulness of the restored gospel of Jesus Christ is the most powerful motivating force in our lives."

Pres. Dieter F. Uchtdorf

"The teachings of living prophets provide an anchor of eternal truth in a world of shifting values and help us avoid misery and sorrow." Preach My Gospel, p. 76

### **FAMILIES**

But I have commanded you to bring up your children in light and truth. D&C 93:40

A pushy mother is the next best thing to a good education.

A man who thinks he is smarter than his wife has a very smart wife.

Out of the mouths of babes often come remarks their parents should never have made in the first place.

Children are what you know how to bring up when you don't have any yourself.

Surely the greatest of those things required of fathers will be to have done all they could for the happiness and spiritual safety of the children they are to nurture. Elder Jeffrey R. Holland

Always give your children 2 choices at mealtime -Take it! or Leave it!

Even though a marriage is made in heaven, the maintenance work has to be done here on earth.

This evening and every evening, turn your worries over to God - He's going to be up all night anyway.

Few things are more satisfying than seeing your children have teenagers of their own.

"Teach me to walk in the light of His love; Teach me to pray to my Father above; Teach me to know of the things that are right' Teach me, teach me to walk in the light." Children's Songbook p. 177

A hole in the bottom of a bird's nest usually means she enjoys laying eggs but is not very fond of children.

A family should never attempt an auto trip if the kids outnumber the windows.

A child is someone who knows all the questions at age eight and all the answers at age eighteen.

My brethren and sisters, you have in your veins, either by descent or adoption, the blood of heroes.

Pres. Gordon B. Hinckley

"I think we as parents should determine our success when our children are age 25 - not by how much they liked us along the way."

Dr. William J. Doherty, family therapist

Overheard by a Mom: "I was driving my van with my 3 sons in the back seat. I had a short sneezing attack. When I was done sneezing, it was quiet. "Isn't someone going to bless me?" I asked. My 5 year old son looked up casually and said, "Dad will do it when he gets home. I don't hold the priesthood."

Overheard in the High Priests Group: My little grandson called me the other day to wish me a Happy Birthday. He asked me how old I was and I told him, "62". He was quiet for a moment and then asked, "Did you start at 1?"

Ed Provence was telling his grandson about the adventures of his own childhood: "We got to skate on a pond, had a swing made from a tire which we hung in a tree in our front yard, rode a pony, and picked wild raspberries in the woods. Wide-eyed and pondering all he had just heard, the little boy finally said, "Gee! I wish I'd gotten to know you sooner Grandpa!"

Elephants and grandchildren never forget!

Have you noticed how quickly kids learn to drive a car, yet cannot understand how to operate the lawn mower, the weed whacker or vacuum cleaner?

Childhood is the time of life when all you need to do to lose weight is take a bath!

Hire a teenager while they still know everything!

Humans are the only species that allow their children to move back home after they've left the nest.

Husbands sometimes speak of their in-laws as if their wives didn't have any.

The way to make your children miserable is to satisfy all their desires.

Then there was this fellow who discovered a way to hammer nails without hitting his thumb. He has his wife hold the nails.

"The institution that will save our broken society is not Parliament (Washington) - it is the home." Elder Stephen Kerr

Intelligence is when you detect a flaw in your spouse's reasoning. Wisdom is when you refrain from pointing it out.

Joe O'Barr brags about being the boss at home but he lies about other things too!

The toughest thing about raising kids is to convince them you have seniority.

If you want to please our Heavenly Father, honor your father and your mother, as He has commanded. They love you dearly. Your joy is their joy, and your sorrow is their sorrow. They want for you the heavenly guidance the Lord provides.

Pres. Thomas S. Monson

It just may be that the world is sick of sin, discouraged by degradation and fed up with falsehoods. When true values and basic virtues overlay and undergird the families of society, hope will conquer despair, and faith will triumph over doubt.

Pres. Thomas S. Monson

Marriages are most successful if they are entered into as a merger, not a takeover.

Kids who know the value of the dollar usually ask for two.

Only if she is buying should you ask your child what she wants for dinner.

A hard fact of life for young people to accept is that some day they too will be as stupid as their parents.

The joy of motherhood is what a woman experiences when all the kids are in bed.

"Happiness in family life is most likely to be achieved when founded upon the teachings of Jesus Christ and when parents make their family their highest priority." Preach My Gospel, p. 85

No man ever told a woman she talked too much when she was telling him how wonderful he is.

School days are the happiest days of your life - provided your kids are old enough to go.

A lot of parents pack up their troubles and send them off to summer camp.

Holidays are confusing. You'd think Thanksgiving would be in August, right after the kids go back to school.

Someday someone is going to make a fortune putting out a breakfast cereal that will drain the energy from kids!

The road to success is uphill - unless your parents own the company.

The simplest thing for a child to operate is called a grandparent.

Those who make one serious mistake tend to add another by assuming that it is then too late for them. It is never too late! Never! Boyd K. Packer

I don't like to be the subject of gossip. When I start to talk about others, remind me that they don't like it either!

#### HUMOR

A vegetarian is a person who won't eat anything that can have children.

A watched pot never boils - unless you light a match under it.

Acquire enthusiasm; you can't be enthusiastic and unhappy at the same time.

Money can't buy happiness - but then, happiness can't buy groceries.

A class reunion is where everyone gets together to see who is falling apart.

A flashlight is a case in which to store dead batteries.

No use kidding yourself - you're overweight if that cute little dimple in your knee is your belly button!

Opinions are like noses; everyone has one!

Remind me to think before I speak rather than to regret what I have said.

An assumption is the first step toward a screw-up.

It takes a lot of years and hard work to be an overnight success.

Arguing with some people is like trying to blow out a light bulb.

As you go through life you will have many opportunities to keep your mouth shut. Take advantage of all of them.

Behind every successful man is a surprised father-in-law.

Calories don't count - they multiply.

Please help me to be honest and law abiding even when no one is looking!

Did you know that the Ten Commandments are not multiple choice?

Do it tomorrow - you've made enough mistakes for today.

Do you ever feel like some weeks have 5 Mondays?

Don't be afraid to take a big step if one is indicated. You can't cross a chasm in two short jumps.

Education is what you get when you read the fine print. Experience is what you get when you don't.

If you wouldn't write it and sign it, don't say it.

It's hard to soar with eagles when you are surrounded by turkeys.

God gives every bird his food, but doesn't throw it directly into the nest.

Happiness is not having to set the alarm clock on Friday night.

How did the fool and his money get together in the first place?

Why is it that vices are more habit forming than virtues?

If at first you don't succeed, destroy all evidence that you tried.

You know you're getting old when happy hour is a nap.

Inside some of us is a thin person struggling to get out, but he can usually be sedated with a few pieces of chocolate cake.

Is it easier to forgive your enemies after you get even with them?

We all know that money isn't everything - Most of the time it isn't even enough.

It must have taken a lot of courage to discover that frog legs are edible.

Vegetables would be easier to eat if they smelled as good as country bacon.

Friendship is when you may not see eye to eye but you can walk arm in arm.

Try to understand the stock market: how can you lose your life's savings on something called securities?

Live so your autograph will be wanted - not your fingerprints.

Water really does attract electricity - why else would the phone ring the minute you settle into the tub?

Just when we believe that ignorance is bliss - it isn't.

It's surprising how often a woman is holding the ladder a man climbs on to success.

Lend only what you can afford to lose.

Macho does not prove mucho!

Many of us believe a wrong isn't a wrong if it's done by nice people like ourselves.

When someone says, "I hope you won't mind my telling you this" you can bet that you will.

Medical science says aspirin can't cure the common cold; neither can medical science!

Middle age is when you burn the midnight oil around 9!

The country is full of willing people - those willing to work and those willing to let them.

Mondays are the potholes in the road of life.

Many of us are the kind of do-it-yourself person who hits the nail right on the thumb!

If you had your life to live over again, you'd need more money.

Ninety-five percent devotion to God is about five percent short.

No amount of careful planning will ever replace dumb luck.

No job is too small to botch.

Optimism: a cheerful frame of mind that enables a tea kettle to sing even though it's in hot water up to its neck.

Patience is the ability to idle your motor when you feel like stripping your gears.

Some people know more when you try to tell them something than when you ask them something.

God didn't put us on this earth to set a bad example.

A good rule of life: If you're in a hole, stop digging!

Some jobs have to be put off dozens of times before they finally slip your mind.

The easiest way to find time to do all the things you want to do is to turn off the television set.

When the going gets tough - the tough eat chocolate.

The best way to appreciate your job is to imagine yourself without one.

If you never forgive, hope that you never sin.

God knows us better than ourselves - and loves us better too.

Success and failure are not necessarily final.

Start each day with a smile. You may not feel like it later on.

Stupidity won't kill you but it can sure make you sweat.

Eternity is two people and a 20-pound turkey.

Somebody figure it out: we have 35 million laws to enforce the Ten Commandments.

People seldom make the same mistake twice; generally it takes three or more times.

The most important things in the world aren't things.

The one thing wrong with doing nothing is that we never know when we're finished.

The person who rows the boat usually doesn't have time to rock it.

Some people start cutting their wisdom teeth the first time they bite off more than they can chew.

You don't have to stay awake nights to succeed; just stay awake during the day.

A test of your fairness is how fair you are to those who are not.

The squeaky wheel doesn't always get greased; often it gets replaced.

The trouble with bucket seats is that not everyone has the same size bucket.

The way to make a small fortune in the stock market is to start with a large one.

Some of us have to get up pretty early to do all the dumb things we do in one day.

It's smart to pick your friends, but not to pieces.

Very few wishes come true all by themselves.

In spite of what God knows about us (and that is more than we know about ourselves), He loves us.

"Joy and happiness come from living the way the Lord wants you to live and from service to God and others." Pres. Thomas S. Monson

"When you want to talk to God, pray; and when you want God to talk to you, read the scriptures."

Elder Elias Miller

"True words, true doctrines and true principles planted by faith, like seeds will sprout and grow. They lead to testimony." Elder Jay E. Jensen

"When the time for performance arrives, the time for preparation is past." Pres. Thomas S. Monson

"A review of the past can be helpful - that is, if we learn from the mistakes and follies of those who have gone before, and if we do not repeat them."

Pres. Thomas S. Monson

"The Atonement wrought by Thy Son gives purpose to our being and turns our thoughts heavenward." Pres. Thomas S. Monson

"With the birth of the babe in Bethlehem, there emerged a great endowment - a power stronger than weapons, a wealth more lasting than the coins of Caesar. This child was to be the King of kings and Lord of lords, the promised Messiah, even Jesus Christ, the Son of God." Pres. Thomas S. Monson

I can do HARD things!
In the strength of the Lord, I can do ALL things!
Elaine S. Dalton - Gen YW President

"Everyone can teach me something. I like to learn something from everyone I associate with." Pres. Thomas S. Monson

It is an immutable law that the more you give away, the more you receive. As someone said, you make a

living by what you get, but you make a life by what you give. Pres. Thomas S. Monson

Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Isaiah 40:3

"You will continue learning after you leave college, for to cease learning is to cease existing."

President Thomas S. Monson

And now I would that ye should be humble, and be submissive and gentle; easy to be entreated; full of patience and long-suffering; being temperate in all things; being diligent in keeping the commandments of God at all times; asking for whatsoever things ye stand in need, both spiritual and temporal; always returning thanks unto God for whatsoever things ye do receive. Alma 7:23

"Whatever part you choose to play on the world stage, keep in mind that life is like a candid camera; it does not wait for you to pose." Pres. Thomas S. Monson

"No one has learned the meaning of living until he has surrendered his ego to the service of his fellow man. Service to others is akin to duty, the fulfillment of which brings true joy."

Pres. Thomas S. Monson

"There is no dividing line between our prosperity and our neighbor's wretchedness. Try as some of us may, we cannot escape the influence our lives have upon the lives of others. Ours is the opportunity to build, to lift, to inspire and to lead."

Pres. Thomas S. Monson

The past is behind; learn from it. The future is ahead; prepare for it. The present is here; live in it.

Pres. Thomas S. Monson

"If you want to live a happy, successful and fulfilling life, you must learn to love people and use things - never to use people and love things." Will Rogers

"Obedience is the principal weapon upon which the rising generation must rely in the latter-day battle between good and evil." Apostle David A. Bednar