

Dana Ward Bishopric

Bishop	Richard Hale	834-3041
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Dear Dana Ward Members,

Each year at Christmastime, Christians all over the world celebrate the birth and life of our Savior, Jesus Christ in many different ways. Some paint beautiful pictures depicting the way they imagine events might have occurred on that night so long ago. Some send cards or gifts to family and friends. Some bake seasonal favorites to share with others. Some hang sparkling lights on green Christmas trees and others act out the story of the birth of the baby Jesus in the stable in Bethlehem. Some read scriptures proclaiming the holy birth. Some celebrate the season by singing beautiful Christmas carols that rejoice over these glad tidings. Many of our carols are sweet echoes of the angel's "tidings of great joy" which were sung to the shepherds who tended their flocks by night in the fields near Bethlehem (Luke 2:10).

One of the most beautiful Christmas hymns proclaims, "Joy to the world, the Lord is come: Let earth receive her King!" (Hymns, # 201). With the business of this time of year, this hymn reminds us that the reason Jesus Christ came to earth was to bring us joy and happiness. By following His teachings, we do find joy! The Book of Mormon prophet Lehi said, "Men are that they might have joy" (2 Nephi 2:25).

Everything that Heavenly Father does for us is to help us find peace and joy in our lives. That most special gift He has given us is His Son, Jesus Christ, which includes the gift of the Atonement and

the gift of His commandments as taught by the prophets.

Jesus said, "If ye love me, keep my commandments: (John 14:15). As we learn of Him at church and in our families, we grow to love Him and we desire to be like Him. May we always follow in his footsteps and may the joy of this Christmas season be with us all.

Love, Bishop Richard Hale

The First Presidency Christmas Devotional broadcast will be tonight, Sunday, Dec 6th, at 6 PM on the BYU channel. It may also be seen at the Stake Building at 6 PM.

Dana Ward CHRISTMAS Party

Saturday - December 12 at 6 PM

Ward Cultural Hall

Dinner and Program

The Ward is providing the main dish and families are asked to bring generous sized side dishes of either (or both) your favorite Christmas Salad or Dessert. After dinner, there will be a program and Santa will pay a visit to the ward children. There will also be an opportunity for families to have a picture made of their kids with Santa. MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Please Note that the Sunday Meeting times change on Jan 3rd, 2010. Sacrament Meeting will start at 11:30 AM. Fast Offerings will be collected BEFORE the Block Meetings, between 9-11 am.

DECEMBER DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Temple Christmas lights from now thru Dec. 31st, 5:50 PM to 10 PM each night.

Dec 6: First Presidency Christmas Broadcast
6:00 PM, on your satellite TV, or the Stake Bldg

Dec 8: RS Christmas Social - 6:00 PM

Dec 12: Ward Family Christmas Party - 6:00 PM

Dec 16: All Mutual Christmas Caroling

Dec 23 & 30: NO MUTUAL ACTIVITIES/CLASSES
Dec 30: Baptisms - YW 5 pm, YM 6 pm
Dec 19 thru Jan 3 – No School.

☆ Happy
 Birthday

December 2009

2 Alyse Turner
 2 Edwina Dastrup
 3 Cristal James
 5 Janet Hassell
 10 Sheldon Hassell
 10 John Oplinger
 11 Jill Schnepf
 12 Kyle O'Bryant
 12 Tom Legler
 12 Anais Rodriguez
 13 Lance McGraw
 13 Jess Root (103*)
 13 Alex Shope
 13 Julie Goodwin
 15 Daline Maddern

19 David Morales
 20 Brian Mehlberg
 20 Barbara Martinez
 20 Mary Filhart
 22 Mark Driggs
 23 Mason Redd
 24 Jada Hancock
 26 Kelton Moore
 27 Brandon Eyring
 27 Ann Driggs
 29 Rhett Hird
 30 Cayden Shope
 30 David Hawks

January 2010

1 Cole Montgomery
 1 Elizabeth Crandell
 3 Mariah Rogers

Missionary Mailbox

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

I still do not have a full time companion. I have been serving for over a month with Elder Vargas who is our Zone Leader. His new companion was held up by

lack of a visa, but he is here now. I have been assigned to work with a "Mini-Missionary", which is a local member who serves for short terms of a month or six weeks. Elder Jose Valdez is from our Resistencia Stake. He owns a small market and is 29, making him the oldest missionary in our mission. This is his 2nd mini-mission and he loves it. He was not able to serve a full-time mission because his father is an alcoholic and wouldn't allow him to go on a mission.

Elder Valdez and I have worked well together. We were able to meet all of our goals for the month. We have 2 investigators that have set baptism dates. They are progressing well. I was able to introduce one of them to our mission president at our last Stake Conf. They had a great talk together.

I am so grateful for the opportunity to serve here in Argentina. Argentina is a very poor country. I have been in houses made of mud or sticks and even discarded pieces of tin that no one wanted. The people that are the poorest seem to be the humblest. They don't have many possessions but they are grateful for what they do have. It makes me wonder sometimes if I have been grateful for all the things I have. Most of the people are extremely nice and I have learned with patience, comes opportunity. Heavenly Father knew what kind of a mission I needed for my own learning experiences. The family unit is very important here and often most of the married family members all live within the same block of each other and they support and help each other. Elder Vargas told me that he had noticed a great change in my teaching methods. He thought I was now able to teach in simple terms and convey the spirit personally to our investigators. I owe a lot to him and all that he has taught me. He is such a positive influence and has been such a great example to me. I love this missionary work but most of all, I appreciate the changes for good it has made in my own life. The Church is true!
 Love - Elder Oldner

Elder Mark E. Driggs
(Dallas Texas Mission)
13747 Montfort Dr. Ste 120
Dallas, TX 75240-4497

Elder Driggs writes that he is still in the same area and is enjoying his responsibilities as a Senior Companion and a Trainer of brand new elders. They have been super busy with lessons and activities with investigators and have had some wonderful experiences with quite a few baptisms this past month. Much to be grateful for! Keep up the good work Elder Driggs !

Elder Isaac Standage
(Micronesia Guam Mission)
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Kolonias, FM 96941
Pohnpei

Transfers came through this month and I was sent to the Island of Pohnpei (Pon-Pay) which is still in the Pacific, just east and a little south of Guam and due north of the Solomon Islands. We are on the same latitude as Valenzuela if that helps. This island is smaller than Guam. I will be 'whitewashing' the area of Mant and will be serving with Elder Larsen. (Whitewashing in Missionary Speak means that both my companion and myself are new to the area and don't know anything about anyone or where anything is!) This is definitely a 'new' experience all the way around! I flew to the island via the 'Island Hopper'. It was about a 2 hour flight. When we arrived, we had a car that was a bit of a clunker, but within a few days, they reassigned the car to some other missionaries that needed it more than we did. We will be riding bikes while here.

We live in a house but our water supply comes from the rain, which is plentiful. Pohnpei is one of the rainiest places on earth. I have a language to learn but it will be okay since it is basically up to my companion to teach me and up to me to learn from him and the members. There won't be any formal language classes. I'm excited to get to learn a foreign language and

some of the island people speak English, so that helps.

We literally have to go over a river and through the woods just to possibly find a house. There are about 20 members in our Branch, mostly women. There is one active Melchizedek Priesthood holder who serves as the Branch President. My companion and I bless the sacrament every week and usually give an impromptu talk every week in addition to teaching Seminary, which I do in English and my companion teaches in Pohnpeian. The insect life (bugs) appear to be the same but there are no snakes on this island. However, it is perfectly acceptable for all the Missionaries serving here to carry a machete with them wherever they go

The Filipino missionary that was serving with us back on Guam, finally got his visa and was able to leave for Saipan. We had a nice Halloween party at our Guam branch before our transfers. They held a 'Trunk or Treat/chili cook off' dinner thing just like we do back home and it went really well.

I'm excited to be in a new area and hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving and are looking forward to a good Christmas season. Love, Elder Standage

Matthew Eyring reports to the Provo MTC on Dec. 16th. He will be serving in the **AWESOME Idaho, Boise Mission**. Farewell Matthew! We look forward to sharing your experiences and service and want you to know the prayers of a grateful and proud ward go with you.

NEW WARD MEMBERS

Sharon McCartney has moved into 2030 E. Bramble Ave. Phone: 480-316-8405. Sharon was born in Cambridge, Ohio and grew up in Chardon, Ohio which is just a few miles east of Kirtland, Ohio. She was baptized into the LDS Church the day before her 18th birthday. She earned her nursing degree from Mid-Michigan Community College and is currently employed as a nurse in the Scottsdale Mayo Clinic

Doctor's Offices of Community Internal Medicine. Sharon is divorced and has 2 sons. Benjamin (Robishaw) still lives with Sharon and son Brandon (Robishaw) is married and he and his wife Erica live in the Lazona Ward with Sharon's two grandchildren, Brylan, who is 2, and Andrew, who is 8 months. After completing a mission to Richmond, Va., Brandon moved to Mesa where he met Erica. They married and settled into an Arizona lifestyle, and that brought Sharon and Benjamin to Arizona so they could be close to the rest of the family. It was a big life change for Sharon and she is adjusting to desert climate. In her younger years, Sharon loved to sew and won several awards for her sewing skills in 4H and also enjoyed many hours quilting. Welcome to the Dana Ward Family!

Jarom and April Hogue and their 2 year old daughter Mae, have moved into their new home at 2046 E. Alder Cir. (Phone: 480-710-1048). Jarom graduated from Mt. View High School after spending his early years in St. George, Utah. He attended MCC and ASU for a bit and also filled a mission to Hiroshima, Japan. He sells A.F.L.A.C Insurance and drives a school bus for MPS. Jarom and April were married in the Mesa Temple Jan. 21, 2006. April grew up in Apache Junction, attended college at Eastern Arizona in Thatcher and does medical billing for a medical complex. They met at a graduation party held at a mutual friend's house. Jarom has held the following church callings in the past: Scout Master, Elder's Quorum Secretary, Ward Missionary and Assistant Executive Secretary. April has served in the Primary Presidency, as a Primary Teacher and as the Relief Society Chorister. We are delighted to welcome the Hogue family into the Dana Ward!

Sonja Silva is the daughter of **Pat Martinez** and she and her children are living with Johnny and Pat right now. Sonja is a single mom, hoping to find a job soon and would love to get acquainted with the other sisters in the ward and would enjoy participating in some "play date" activities with her children. Sonja's children are:

Mercedes, (age 6 and a kindergartner at Adams Elementary School); **Elijah**, age 4; **Dominic**, age

3; Jade, age 2; and **Marquice**, age 1. Sonja has been a member of the Church since the age of 8. Welcome to our Dana Ward Family Sonja!

Notes on Dana Ward Folks

Brother Jess Root is our "HONORED SENIOR CITIZEN" this month. He will celebrate his 103rd Birthday on Dec. 13th. Enjoy your day, Bro. Root! **Rowena** celebrated her 91st birthday on Thanksgiving Day. She is just a 'spring chicken' compared to her husband! We love you both and wish you many, many more birthdays!

It was exciting to the ward to get to see **Bill Reynolds** back in meetings after his open heart surgery adventures. Looking Good Bill! Hope your recovery continues to go well! (During Bill's recovery, he and Arlyce got three new grandchildren!)

Payzlee Hird, second daughter of Nick and Tima, is scheduled for some open heart procedures in Tucson at the University Medical Center Hospital on Dec. 3rd. We will all be remembering you in our prayers Payzlee!

Rosa Rodriguez recently had some surgery that should help her feel better. We are grateful that all went well and she is recovering nicely.

Darren Shope is officially engaged to **Jenny Phillips**. Darren proposed to Jenny at the

Snowflake Temple and Jenny has accepted!
They are planning a March 2010 wedding. Jenny has 2 daughters and a son. Her 18 year old daughter still lives at home. Jenny is a Montessori teacher for the Mesa Public Schools.
Congratulations to this happy couple!!

Mamani. They are planning a wedding in late Feb. Jesus was born and raised in Peru and joined the church when he was 20. He served a mission to Lima, Peru He **Miriam Douglass** is engaged to **Jesus** graduated from BYU and is an electrical engineer at Microchip in Tempe.

Bob and Lonnette Millican just returned from a 10 day Panama Cruise to celebrate their 45th Wedding Anniversary which is Dec. 10th. They got to see a lot of tropical islands along the way and enjoyed watching a variety of large ships coming and going thru the Panama Canal locks. They also got to visit the beautiful island town of Carasol where all the old and elegant homes were painted a variety of pastel colors. The homes used to be all white, but the local governor said the stark white gave him a headache and asked the owners to paint them in pastels. He may have had an ulterior motive as the governor also happened to own the local paint store! It was a wonderful trip and experience for the Millicans.

Joyce and Al Berry will celebrate their 66th Wedding Anniversary this month. Special Honors to them for this achievement!

Jarvis Carter is in Houston, Texas with his father who is in ICU with congestive heart failure and related problems. His children, Michael and Lillie, have gone with him. Our prayers are with Jarvis and his family as they tend to their father and grandfather's needs.

Our Dana Ward Eagle's Nest is growing!
Congratulations to **Brandon Eyring**, our newest Eagle Scout! For his 'Project', Brandon painted the Little League snack bar and dugouts at the Mesa High School playing fields. He was presented his Eagle in a Court of Honor held Nov. 28th.

Submitted by Donovan Blau

The Weblo Cub Scouts recently completed a three mile hike in Usury Pass Park. We used the 'buddy system' and we had to drink lots of water. Once in awhile we would stop to use the first aid kit or take a drink. There were snake holes and cacti to worry about. There were only a few other people on the Blevin's Trail. One was a biker and the others were hikers. After we finished the hike, we went out for ice-cream. That was the best hike ever! The hike was led by Jon Nichols and the Weblo leader, Mary Standage (who is not LDS - she lives next door to Marie Montgomery). The boys who participated in the hike were **Donovan Blau, Spencer Nichols, Cole Montgomery, Will Round and Kaler Mehlberg.**

Our own **Kelsey Crandell** was crowned Homecoming Queen of Westwood High School. Congratulations! Kelsey is also a member of the Westwood Cheer Squad and they recently placed 1st in state competition and will be participating in National Competition.

David and Naomi Morales have sold their home on Birchwood but will be renting from the new owner until they can purchase a new home. Our ward's wish is that they will find a larger house within our ward boundaries!

Brother Walter Johnson passed away on Nov. 5th. His funeral services were held Nov. 9th. Bro. Johnson lived a good and honorable life and we are happy for him to be with his beloved Pernie once again!

We were saddened to learn that **Dolores Barnum** passed away on Nov. 11, 2009 after a long illness. We offer our love and support to her husband, John Barnum, and their family.

Courtney Eyring took third place in the doubles division of the City Tennis Tournament for the Taylor Jr. High Team. **Larissa Hunt** won first place in doubles for the consolation bracket. Congratulations to our ward tennis stars!

The Schnepf and Eyring families want everyone to know that the MHS varsity football team won the game Friday Night against Mtn. Point and will now be playing for the State Championship. HOORAY! **Trevor Schnepf** plays running back & line backer. **Brandon Eyring** (wide receiver) gave 110% in a game a few weeks ago and broke his leg. He is out of commission for the rest of the football season but is counting on being back in playing condition in time for baseball season! Trevor is a Sr. and Brandon is a Jr. There are only 3 players on the team that are from the Pueblo Stake and we have two of them!

George and Ann Cherringtons have "flown the coop" for the holidays. The Humanitarian Service Center is closed now until after Jan. 1st, so they are renewing old ward ties and sharing the holidays with family members in the Cedar City area. They will return when the Center reopens.

Joe and Mickey O'Barr have been released from their mission callings with the Family History Center after faithful service for 3 years. Their enthusiasm and labors in the family research department are legendary, although Mickey is just barely able to keep Joe's sense of humor under control!

This might be an appropriate place to thank the "assistants to the RS Presidency" - Brothers Nick Hird, David Morales, Wes Filhart, Spencer Bury and Chris Smelser and the Hird and Morales kids who do so much to pack, load, carry,

fetch and return, set up and clean up on behalf of their wives and moms and the rest of the Relief Society. **THANK YOU** so much for your help in everything Relief Society! We appreciate you! Not to neglect the rest of you who pitch in wherever you see help is needed! Thanks so very much!

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

If you have not done so already, please call Bro. Pat Rogers (695-4370) to schedule an appointment with the Bishop for your **TITHING SETTLEMENT!** Thank You!

You asked for it - So here is the recipe for the delicious "**Pumpkin Bars**" served at the Dana Ward Fall Halloween Social.

4 eggs	2 c flour
2 c sugar	1 tsp salt
1 c oil	2 tsp baking soda
2 c canned pumpkin	2 tsp cinnamon

Combine eggs, sugar and oil in lg. bowl. Blend in pumpkin. Sift flour, salt, soda and cinnamon and add to pumpkin mixture. Pour into greased and floured cookie sheet pan. Bake @ 350 degrees for 20-25 min.

Combine and blend well:

8 oz. cream cheese
3 c powdered sugar
½ c butter/margarine
2 tsp vanilla

Spread evenly on cooled pumpkin bars. Cut into serving pieces and enjoy! (:
(Thanks to Cris Rogers for sharing!)

Pres. Flemming of our stake, has extended a "THANK YOU" to the Dana Ward members for their response to the many recent requests for help with service assignments related to the temple. "Thank you for your willingness and support in doing the 'Lord's Work'". Dana Ward also has the assignment to serve Dec. 6th at the temple grounds as hosts, parking lot attendants, setting up chairs and doing light patrol. The Dana Ward Family is SUPER!

There is no official Ward Temple Night for December as schedules of special activities are pretty full. You are encouraged to attend whenever it is convenient for you or take your family to see the fantastic lights at the temple grounds through the end of the month. If you would like to volunteer to host the small social after temple night in January, please contact Jeff and Pinki Hoepfner @ 733-0963.



Dry Pack items available Dec: white beans, refried beans, cocoa, flour, onions, red wheat. (Order due 6 Dec, canning on Dec 29th at 1:00 pm.

Beginning in January, canning time is always 8:30 AM for 2010.

Jan: milk, regular oats, macaroni, carrots, apples, pinto beans. (Order due 20 Dec, canning Jan 13.) **Feb:** potato flakes, fruit drink mix, sugar, black beans, rice, quick oats. (Orders due 17 Jan, canning Feb 10.) Call Rosa Rodriguez for further information 644-0128.

Relief Society

Pres. Tima Hird	282-8479
1 Couns Mary Filhart	452-8618
2 Couns Naomi Morales	218-5887
Sec Dawna Bury	298-0562

December RS Lesson Schedule

Dec 6: "The Spirit of Christmas" – Mary Filhart
Dec 13: #46 "The Martyrdom" - Lou Hunt
Dec 20: #47 "Praise to the Man" - Michelle Unga
Dec 27: "Becoming Provident Providers Temporally & Spiritually" (Elder Hale) - Melissa Crandell

RELIEF SOCIETY ACTIVITIES

Temple Session Thurs, Dec 17, 10am session.
 Lunch after in the temple cafeteria.

Kid's Play Group Every Wed, 10am at Silvergate Park (S of Pueblo on Briar)

Gardening Thurs, Jan 7, 7pm at the Mehlberg home (1735 E. 1st Ave.)

Book Group Mon, Jan 25, 11am, @ home of Lynette McGraw. "The Christmas Jar" & "The Christmas Jar Revisited" by Jason



Wright. (No meeting in December)

The Relief Society

Christmas Social will be held Tuesday, Dec. 8th at the ward cultural hall at 6 PM, in conjunction with the Acacia Ward Relief Society. A Nursery will be provided if you do not have a babysitter at home. Come join us for a fun evening together and meet some of the Acacia Sisters! Each Dana Ward sister is asked to bring your favorite Christmas dessert to share.

Please check with your new sisters as **Visiting Teachers**. If you do not see your sisters at church on Sunday, please contact her and be sure all is well. You may be the only way we can know if they need help or if there is a problem.

Young Women

Pres. Kim Hale 834-3041
 1st Counselor Miriam Martin 313-7194
 2nd Counselor MaryAnn Kaberry 835-5149
 Secretary Elizabeth Stark 964-7754

Dec 16th is Caroling for all YW and YM
 Dec 23rd there will be no MIA activities
 Dec 30th is Baptisms at the temple – YW at 5pm and YM at 6pm. NO YOUTH ACTIVITIES AT THE WARD BUILDING
 We've made arrangements for NO SCHOOL from Dec. 19 thru Jan 3! School resumes Monday, Jan. 4th! ENJOY!

ATTENTION ALL "YOUNG PARENTS"

All of our Y.W. are begging for babysitting jobs! You can call Sister Kim Hale (834-3041) or Liz Stark (964-7754) for a list of names and phone numbers. Thanks!

YOUNG MEN

Pres. Darren Eyring 835-1799
 1st Couns. Wes Filhart 277-1924
 2nd 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

The Young Men would like to offer their services to anyone who might need help putting up Christmas decorations or lights or help with yard clean up or anything else that might be needed. Call a member of the YM Presidency as listed above. (These are great kids in our Dana Ward Family!)

The Ward Scouts went on a Campout near Superior two weeks ago and dug in the dirt for beautiful black, glassy "Apache Tears". They found several pockets of 'Tears' and had a great time! Ask the boys if they know the legend of how the 'Apache Tears' came to be.

Deacons: Duty To God Assignment

December 2009	7-13	S8	Write in your journal.
		C12:	Sing with a church, school, or community choir. Go to choir practice for a couple weeks and sing in the Christmas Program.
	14-20	S8	Write in your journal.
		E12:	Word of Wisdom in D & C 89. Explain "and shall find wisdom and great treasures of knowledge, even hidden treasures."
	21-27	S8	Write in your journal.
		--	Merry Christmas!!
28-3		S8	Write in your journal. Congratulations you've completed your goal.
		S12:	Write a letter to your parents, grandparents, or a ward or stake leader. Thank them for their good influence.

Teachers: Duty To God Assignment

December 2009	7-13	S7	Write in your journal.
		E12:	Use a computer to prepare a church talk, a school assignment, or similar task.
	14-20	S7	Write in your journal.
		S11:	Develop a list of 10 qualities that you admire in your father or another adult, and discuss.
	21-27	S7	Write in your journal.

			---	Merry Christmas!!
	28-3	S7	Write in your journal. Congratulations you've completde your goal.	
		S10	Write 3 letters of appreciation to your family or a ward or stake leader. Thank them for their kindness and support.	
Priests: Duty To God Assignment				
December 2009	7-13	S10	Memorize <u>12 & 13</u> Article of Faith.	
		E11:	Sing with a church, school, or community choir. Go to choir practice for a couple weeks and sing in the Christmas Program.	
	14-20	S10	Memorize <u>D & C 4</u>	
		F5d:	Prepare and Teach Family Home Evening Lesson	
	21-27	S10	Memorize <u>D & C 4</u>	
		---	Merry Christmas!!	
28-3		S10	Recite all 13 A of F and D & C 4 to parent or leader. Congratulations!!	
F10:		Read "Temples" in the True to the Faith, or read Preparing to Enter the Holy Temple. Discuss it with your parents.		

PRIMARY

President Jennifer Mehlberg 279-2790

1st Couns Cheeri Redd 834-7788

2nd Couns Darcy Allen 241-9315

Secretary Janet Hassell 969-4276

Dec Theme: "My family is blessed when we remember Jesus Christ."

Dec Scripture: "I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth." (Job 19:25)

13th Article of Faith: We believe in being honest, true, chaste, benevolent, virtuous, and in doing good to all men; indeed, we may say that we follow the admonition of Paul – We believe all things, we hope all things, we have endured many things, and hope to be able to endure all things. If there is anything virtuous, lovely, or of good report or praiseworthy, we seek after these things.

Dec 6:

O. Prayer: Emma McGraw

Scripture: Jordyn Mayo

Talk: Kaitlin Gardiner

Art of Faith #13: Kyle O'Bryant

C. Prayer: Donovan Blau

Dec 13:

O. Prayer: Josh Montgomery

Scripture: Rhett Hird

Talk: Sophie Allen

Art of Faith #13: Luke Nichols

C. Prayer: Cole Montgomery

Dec 20:

O. Prayer: Elizabeth Rivera

Scripture: Clair Rogers

Talk: Molly Allen

Art of Faith #13: Evan Redd

C. Prayer: Kaia Mehlberg

Parents are invited to attend Jr. and Sr. Sharing Time with their children today. (See below)

Dec 27:

O. Prayer: Garrett Lans

Scripture: Sarah Morales

Talk: Bryson Patenge

Art of Faith # 13: Korben Mehlberg

C. Prayer: Corey Downs

Jr. Primary Sharing Time: CTR 8 Class

Sr. Primary Sharing Time: Valiant 11 Girls

On Dec. 20th, the Primary is introducing the 'Primary Theme for 2010' during the Primary Sharing Time portion of Primary. The Primary Presidency is asking the parents of the Primary Children to get a substitute if necessary and have at least one parent in your child's Jr. or Sr. Sharing Time portion of Primary that day (both sessions if your children are in both). The Presidency will use this time to explain the role of the Parents and the Primary with the 2010 Theme. They also have a gift for the parents that will be explained in this meeting. Both parents are invited but if only one can come, we will understand. Thanks! The Primary Presidency

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Kamea Turner was baptized Nov. 25th by her Grandfather, Ken Turner, who got to come from Nebraska for this special event in her life. Congratulations Kamea!

Bravo to **Kyle O'Bryant** who turns 12 this month. Kyle will graduate from Primary and be ordained a deacon.

Margin Notes:

Behold, I have come unto the world to bring redemption unto the world, to save the world from sin. 3 Nephi 9:21

Behold, the virgin whom thou seest is the mother of the Son of God, after the manner of the flesh...and I looked and beheld the virgin again, bearing a child in her arms. And the angel said unto me; Behold the Lamb of God, yea, even the Son of the Eternal Father! (1 Nephi 11:18-21)

And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom and the grace of God was upon him. Luke 2:40

By light of star, they traveled far to seek the lowly manger. A humble bed wherein was laid the wondrous little stranger. Hymns pg 210

With God, "man is destined for nothing less than godliness, and led by a star in the east we go forward to our goal". Obert C. Tanner

The angels proclaimed "Peace on earth and good will toward men." Christ lived the ideal of good will for the world so completely that He is

our standard of perfect kindness and
brotherhood. Obert C. Tanner

One thoughtful description in the account of
events in Bethlehem, that first Christmas, is
found in these brief words: "...there was no
room for them in the inn." Luke 2:7

And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for,
behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy
which shall be unto all people. For unto you is
born this day in the city of David a Saviour,
which is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:10-11

Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling
clothes, lying in a manger. Luke 2:12

The shepherds said one to another, Let us now
go even unto Bethlehem. And they came with
haste and found Mary, and Joseph, and the
babe lying in a manger. Luke 2:15-16

But Mary kept all these things, and pondered
them in her heart. Luke 2:19

Lift up your head and be of good cheer; for
behold, the time is at hand, and on this night
shall the sign be given and on the morrow come
I into the world... (3 Nephi 1:13)

There's a song in the air!
 There's a star in the sky!
There's a mother's deep prayer
 And a baby's low cry!
And the star rains its fire
 while the beautiful sing
For the manger of Bethlehem cradles a King!
 Josiah Gilbert Holland

I heard the bells on Christmas day, their old
familiar carols play, and wild and sweet the
words repeat of peace on earth, good will to
men.

Till, ringing, singing, on its way, the world
revolved from night to day. A voice, a chime, a
chant sublime, of peace on earth, good will to
men. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Yet in the dark streets shineth
 The everlasting light,
The hopes and fears of all the years
 Are met in thee tonight.
 Hymns - pg. 208

The message of Christmas is expressed in the
angels' immortal proclamation: "Glory to God
in the highest, and on earth peace, good will
toward men." Luke 2:14