

AKRON OHIO STAKE

Stake Presidency Invitation

The stake presidency invited Stake Patriarch J. Martin Jindra to share a message with the stake this month.

In President Russell M. Nelson’s first general conference as President of the Church, he talked about revelation in his address “Revelation for the Church, Revelation for Our Lives.” Quoting President Lorenzo Snow, he said, “This is the grand privilege of every Latter-day Saint ... that it is our right to have the manifestations of the Spirit every day of our lives. President Nelson continued, “One of the things the Spirit has repeatedly impressed upon my mind since my new calling as President of the Church is how willing the Lord is to reveal His mind and will. The privilege of receiving revelation is one of the greatest gifts of God to His children. Through the manifestations of the Holy Ghost, the Lord will assist us in all our righteous pursuits.”

In the less than two years President Nelson has served as President, we have seen changes in procedures, organizations, quorums, and emphasis. We have clearly witnessed the Lord revealing His will to His prophets, seers, and revelators. I believe it is an exciting time to be a member of the Lord’s Church when many doctrines and principles are being clarified and emphasized, but not changed. As I serve in my callings, it has been more important than ever that I am worthy and prepared to receive inspiration and revelation from my Heavenly Father, and that I understand it. For me, I need to know the best way to receive revelation and how to go about it.

President Nelson said, “Nothing opens the heavens quite like the combination of increased purity, exact obedience, earnest seeking, daily feasting on the words of Christ in the Book of Mormon, and regular time committed to temple and family history work.” And then the process “Follow the example of Joseph Smith. Find a quiet place where you can regularly go. Humble yourself before God. Pour out your heart to your

Heavenly Father. Turn to Him for answers and for comfort. Pray in the name of Jesus Christ about your concerns, your fears, your weaknesses--yes, the very longings of your heart. And then listen! Write the thoughts that come to your mind. Record your feelings and follow through with actions that you are prompted to take. As you repeat this process day after day, month after month, year after year, you will “grow into the principle of revelation.”

I would testify to the counsel given to us by our President. I have seen it work in my life, yet I am very much aware that I have much to improve upon. There are times when we feel that our prayers are going nowhere and again, we receive instruction from the Prophet “I promise that as you continue to be obedient, expressing gratitude for every blessing the Lord gives you, and as you patiently honor the Lord’s timetable, you will be given the knowledge and understanding you seek. Every blessing the Lord has for you- even miracles- will follow. That is what personal revelation will do for you.”

I know that I am only able to serve as patriarch as I am worthy and able to receive revelation. It is very humbling, yet wonderful to feel the love our Heavenly Father has for each of us.

President Nelson spoke of his optimism for the future and that we will see mighty and miraculous works before the Savior comes again. But he also warned, “In the coming days, it will not be possible to survive spiritually without the guiding, directing, comforting, and constant influence of the Holy Ghost. I am grateful to have a Prophet to guide us in these latter days. I am grateful for his counsel, wisdom, insight and possibly most importantly, to know he receives revelation. I hope we will do all we can to be prepared to have the guidance of the Holy Ghost and receive the revelation we need in our lives.

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Upcoming Dates

- Saturday, October 12 - Family History Fair/Tallmadge 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Saturday, October 12 - Quad Stake Dance /Kirtland 7-10 p.m. for youth ages 14+.
- Sunday, October 13 - LDS Child Loss Group/Stark’s home, 230 Cherry Hill Dr, Wadsworth 7 p.m.
- Friday, October 18 - Stake Conference Adult Session/Tallmadge 7-9 p.m.
- Saturday, October 19 - Stake Leadership/Tallmadge 4-6 p.m.
- Saturday, October 19 - Area Devotional Broadcast for married and single adults (18-31) with President Ballard and Elder Christofferson 7-9 p.m.
- Sunday, October 20 - Stake Conference/Tallmadge 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
- Sunday, October 20 Area Devotional Broadcast for all members with President Ballard and Elder Christofferson 4-6 p.m. in all buildings
- Sunday, November 3 - Daylight Savings Time ends
- Sunday, November 10 - LDS Child Loss Group/Stark’s home, 230 Cherry Hill Dr, Wadsworth 7 p.m.
- Saturday, November 16 - Quad Stake Dance/Youngstown 7-10 p.m. for youth ages 14+.
- Thursday, November 28 - Thanksgiving

PRIMARY HAPPENINGS

By Brittney Kucnick, Stake Primary President

Home-Centered, Church-Supported Service

This year the Stake Primary Presidency provided a brownie packet for each family that had a child in primary and/or nursery in place of doing a service project on the ward or stake level. With the brownie packet came a challenge to prayerfully consider someone (member or non-member) who would benefit from a sweet treat and encouraged families to include cards created by those primary members and/or visit with the person they chose. The flexibility of this service allowed families to use this opportunity according to how they, as a family, felt prompted by the Holy Spirit.



A member of our stake shared the following experience her family had: “We asked our five-year-old son who we should take the brownies to. At first, he wanted to take them to everyone and anyone! Then we talked about who would need a little extra something, and he decided it should be someone who was sick or who hadn’t come to church in a while. He decided upon two girls from his class that were not in church on Sunday. We talked about picking one, and I suggested that he pray, asking Heavenly Father who we should give the brownies to. After his prayer, we talked about checking how he felt now that he had a moment to think about it. Our three-year-old son also became involved and both agreed on the same person. We made the brownies, adding marshmallows, graham crackers, and chocolate chips, to create s’mores brownies. Then both boys made cards. The five-year-old wrote his name and “I Love You” in the card - it was very sweet. Then we all got in the car and drove to her house, and our five-year-old and his father went to the doorstep and were invited into the house. My husband told the family about how our son wanted to show their daughter that she was missed at church by bringing her brownies, and the little girl’s face lit up with a big smile. The parents were also very happy. My son felt good inside.”

The Stake Primary Presidency hopes that many others throughout the stake are having or have had great experiences serving with their family.

(Russell M. Nelson, “[Becoming Exemplary Latter-day Saints](#),” Oct. 2018 general conference)



“The new home-centered, Church-supported integrated curriculum has the potential to unleash the power of families, as each family follows through conscientiously and carefully to transform their home into a sanctuary of faith.” —President Russell M. Nelson

MISSIONARY UPDATES



CLAREN HUFFAKER

Oct 2019 - Apr 2021

California Riverside Mission



TREVOR MOST

Oct 2019 - Oct 2021

Utah St. George Mission



ELIZABETH MCKNIGHT

Oct 2019 - Apr 2021

California San Bernardino Mission



HANNAH WEBB

Oct 2019 - April 2021

Arizona Tucson Mission

Family History Corner

by Jeanne Peugh, Director



Family History Fair

We all love to help others, and if they happen to be our own family, all the better. But, what about our ancestors on the other side? Of course, we also include them, but how? Some of our ancestors may be from Italy or some from Hungary. How do we help them? I have ancestors in this country, but they lived in the 1700s. What can I find about them? Even if you tell me where to look, do I have the computer skills to know how? And how does DNA fit into all of this, should I be looking into that? We would all love to help, but how? The answers to these questions and many more are at the Family History Fair at the Stake Center sponsored by the Akron Ohio Family History Center on October 12, 2019. Through the course of the day, dozens of classes will be taught by some of the best genealogical experts in the area and will be tackling these questions in 50 minute classes offered from 9:00 to 3:00, with a one hour break for a free lunch to recharge us for more. In the afternoon, some hands-on and one-on-one help will also be offered.

Come learn how to make a difference in some one's life...forever.

BRECKSVILLE HOME STORAGE CENTER SPECIALS

<p>September 1 to October 31</p> <p>Honey 30-year shelf life A 15.5 oz. bottle is \$3.50 a case of 24 bottles is \$84.00</p> <p>White Rice White Rice - 30-year shelf life A 5.4 lb. can is \$4.50 or a case of 6 cans is \$27.00</p>	<p>October 1 to November 30</p> <p>Carrots 10-year shelf life A 2.8 lb. can is \$7.75 or a case of 6 cans is \$46.50</p> <p>Quick Oats 30-year shelf life A 2.6 lb. can is \$3.50 or a case of 6 cans is \$24.00</p>
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NORTH AMERICA NORTHEAST AREA PLAN 2019

Strengthen the conversion of children and youth.

2. Find and take the names of ancestors to the temple and perform their baptisms and confirmations.

Self-Reliance Corner

by Sister Diane Burgoon,
Stake Self-Reliance Specialist

No new groups are forming right now, but we would love to know what groups you are interested in attending. Please contact your ward self-reliance specialist or Sister Burgoon, and let us know, and we will work to get what you need started. Transportation an issue? No problem! Just let us know, and we will work something out. These are the following available classes:

- Personal Finances
- Find a Better Job
- Education for Better Work
- Starting and Growing My Business
- Life Skills – for older youth and young single adults
- English Connect – for English language learners

For more information on becoming or helping others become more self-reliant, see: <https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/self-reliance/blog>

The Lord has declared,
“It is my purpose to provide for my saints.”
(D&C 104:15)



UNLOCK THE PAST

Akron Ohio Stake
FAMILY HISTORY FAIR
Saturday, October 12, 2019
9:00 am - 3:00 pm
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
106 East Howe Road, Tallmadge, OH
Please register through Eventbrite
Attendance and Lunch are FREE

Additional Information at:
www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Akron_Ohio_Family_History_Center