# AKRON OHIO STAKE

### **Stake Presidency Invitation**

The stake presidency invited Stake Relief Society President Center to share a message with the stake this month.

As a very young girl, my good father gave me counsel I have remembered off and on over the years. In light of President Nelson's request that we use the correct and full name of the Church, my father's advice has caused greater thought. I do not remember the circumstances of the moment the counsel was given, but I do remember him saying, "Krissie, remember who you are and what you stand for." Growing up, I understood that to mean because I was a "Mautz" and a member of the Church there were certain expectations of behavior, education, moral conduct, etc.

Names are given at birth. Sometimes we are named in honor of a parent, grandparent or ancestor. Helaman named his sons Lehi and Nephi, explaining to them, "Behold, I have given you the names of our first parents...and this I have done that when you remember your names ye may remember them, and...their works...that they were good. Therefore, my sons, I would that ye should do that which is good, that it may be said of you, and also written, even as it has been said and written of them." (Helaman 5:6-7) We are not only given a name, but we also "take a name." Traditionally a bride takes the name of her husband and a new family line is begun. When we are baptized members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, we covenant to take upon us the name of Jesus Christ. What does that mean- to take upon us the name of Christ? As with my father's admonition, there are certain expectations attached when we take His name upon us.

Each Sunday as we partake of the sacrament, we renew that covenant as we promise to "always remember him and keep his commandments." That is an expectation of who we are and what we stand for. Taking upon us the name of Christ means we join with him in the work of salvation. We promise to minister, gather Israel on both sides of the veil, attend the temple, participate in Sunday worship including Come Follow Me, repent and serve our brothers and sisters. It also means we do all we can to pattern our lives after the Savior and do his work. Because we carry his name, we represent Him in all we do, say and think. As we honor His name, we will find peace, joy and the companionship of the Holy Ghost.



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# Upcoming Dates

- Tuesday, November 19 Temple Recommend Interviews with stake presidency member/Tallmadge 6-7pm. No appointments needed.
- Thursday, November 28 Thanksgiving
- Sunday, December 8 First Presidency's Christmas Devotional Broadcast 8-9 p.m.
- Sunday, December 8 LDS Child Loss Group/Stark's home, 230 Cherry Hill Dr, Wadsworth 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 17 Temple Recommend Interviews with stake presidency member/Tallmadge 6-7pm. No appointments needed.

- Wednesday, December 25 Christmas
- Sunday, January 5 Fast Sunday
- Saturday, January 11 YW Brunch/ Tallmadge 10 am-noon
- Sunday, January 12 Worldwide Devotional for Young Adults Broadcast 8-9pm. For all young adults (ages 18 through 30), whether single or married, and students who will be finishing high school or the equivalent by the end of August 2020 are invited to participate.
- Sunday, January 26 Standards Night/ Tallmadge 6-7:30pm
- Sunday, February 2 Fast Sunday
- Saturday, February 22 Women's

## YW HAPPENINGS



The Wadsworth Young Women are doing 150 Acts of Service to celebrate 150 years of the Young Women's organization



Akron Youth planned a dinner and invited different members of the ward they wanted to get to know better. This is a great way to increase fellowship and unity within the ward as well as give opportunities to learn the talents of ward members. Older members can help assist and mentor the youth working on their goals in the new youth personal development program.



# Family History

Corner by Jeanne Peugh, Director

## Family History Fair Recap

The fourth annual Akron Ohio Stake Family History Fair was held on October 12th. The fair brought in over 140 attendees, including 95 who are not members of the church. Thirteen different classes were offered to fair attendees and lunch was provided and served by members of the Tallmadge Ward. Ward and stake family history consultants were available to help with individual questions and search concerns.

However, it is not about the numbers, classes, or free food, but it is about feeling the spirit of this great work. Moreover, it is feeling the spirits of our ancestors– our brothers and sisters who need our help. One of the attendees put it best, "I had felt very strongly about coming and the personal need to attend the Slovak research class and at the last minute, my mom also felt the need to be at the fair. My mom has spent years trying to find her great grandfather and all avenues have failed. He never came to America, but we knew the town in

Slovakia where he was from. Sister Titera's presentation included information she found doing a friend's genealogy. The small town she mentioned was the same town my second great grandfather was from. Even one of the names from her research was a witness at my



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great grandfather's baptism. It was not by accident that we were prompted to come. The spirit of Elijah was working from beyond the veil. We are very hopeful that Sister Titera's skills and knowledge will finally help us connect the dots and find another generation of the family. Thank you for all of your efforts."

## Your ancestors are waiting for someone... for you, to care enough to help!



**NORTH AMERICA NORTHEAST AREA PLAN 2019** 

- Strengthen the conversion of children and youth. 3. Prepare to receive temple ordinances and fulfill
- Prepare to receive temple ordinances and fu covenant responsibilities.

## Self-Reliance Corner

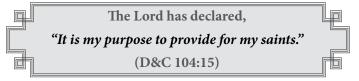
by Sister Diane Burgoon, Stake Self-Reliance Sp<u>ecialist</u>

We will be launching a virtual self-reliance class in January for Starting and Growing My Business. If you currently have a business that you would like to expand or have a desire to start a new one, this class will help you get started. Topics that are covered include:

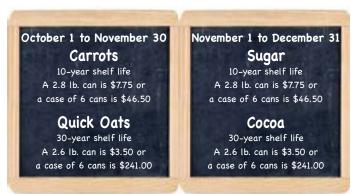
- 1. My Readiness for Business Success
- 2. Solving Unmet Customer Needs
- 3. Ensuring That I Have a Profitable Business
- 4. Finding Customers
- 5. Keeping Customers
- 6. Managing the Profitability of My Business
- 7. Keeping Separate My Business and Personal Money
- 8. Managing the Cash Flow of My Business
- 9. Growing My Business
- 10. Financing My Business
- 11. Continually Improving My Business
- 12. Presenting My Business

Join others in getting and giving support as you work toward your dreams of owning your own business. For questions, contact Sister Burgoon.

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



#### BRECKSVILLE HOME STORAGE CENTER SPECIALS



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