

WILLOW CANYON 1ST WARD NEWSLETTER

MAY 2009

RESTORATION OF THE GOSPEL

BISHOPRIC MESSAGE

Bishopric Message – May 2009
Restoration of the Gospel

Joseph Smith was born on December 23, 1805, in Sharon, Vermont. He came into a family that prayed and studied the Bible. In his youth, he became interested in religion and discovered a "great confusion" over the doctrines of Christ, with "priest contending against priest, and convert against convert." This confusion was not unique to his community. It began centuries earlier in what has been called the Great Apostasy. The day of Christ "shall not come," said the Apostle Paul, "except there come a falling away first."

"No man can accept Jesus Christ as the Savior of the world, no man can accept this as His church, the Church of Jesus Christ, unless he can accept Joseph Smith as God's mouthpiece and the restorer of His work in these latter days" (President Harold B. Lee)

"God has in very deed revealed Himself from the heavens. He did raise up the boy prophet. ... Joseph Smith has done more for the salvation of men in this world than any man who ever lived in it, except the Master (see [D&C 135:3](#)). He stands at the head of this dispensation—the greatest gospel dispensation of all time—and all the world will someday come to realize that he is in very deed a prophet of the Living God". (President Ezra Taft Benson)

"How great indeed is our debt to him. ... It was he who brought us a true knowledge of God, the Eternal Father, and His Risen Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. During the short time of his great vision he learned more concerning the nature of Deity than all of those who through centuries had argued the matter in learned councils and scholarly forums. He brought us the marvelous Book of Mormon as another witness for the living reality of the Son of God. To him, from those who held it anciently, came the priesthood, the power, the gift, the authority, the keys to speak and act in the name of God. He gave us the organization of the Church and its great and sacred mission. Through him were restored the keys of the holy temples, that men and women might enter into eternal covenants with God and that the great work for the dead might be accomplished to open the way for eternal blessings.

"He was the instrument in the hands of the Almighty. He was the servant acting under the direction of the Lord Jesus Christ in bringing to pass this great latter-day work. "We stand in reverence before him. He is the great prophet of this dispensation. He stands at the head of this great and mighty work which is spreading across the earth. He is our prophet, our revelator, our seer, our friend. Let us not forget him. God be thanked for the Prophet Joseph" (President Gordon B. Hinckley)

We pray that each of us may strengthen our own testimony of the Restoration of the Gospel through our great Prophet Joseph Smith.

We love and pray for you – Your Bishopric



There are many hymns written about the Restoration of the Gospel. We will sing a few of our favorites this month.

Oh How Lovely was the morning: Praise to the Man and An Angel From On High.

We partake of the blessings of the restored gospel of Jesus Christ in abundance every day of our lives.

Don't be afraid to really sing out to show how thankful we are that the truth was brought back to the earth

NEWSLETTER

Please have your items for the newsletter to Marilyn by TUESDAY, JUNE 2nd at marilyn@toplinepromotions.com
I would like to encourage all organizations to make an entry no matter how small. Thank you for your help.

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MAY BIRTHDAYS

1 Jeffery Beal
2 Ron Hanen
3 Russ Messerly —
Terri Williams
4 Rick Morris —Steven
Riep—Derek Bawden
5 Tom Nunley—Kaylin
Nydegger—David
Smith—Stefan Wells
6 Jennifer Mitchell
8 Dorothy Schmidt—
Luke Weight
9 Gordon Day
10 Jane Johnson
12 Tammie Dusoe
13 Janis Kershaw

14 Ruth Higginbotham
15 John Davis—Javen
Tammer
19 Rachel Bierman
20 Audrey Haight
22 Parker Arnold
23 Robert Reynolds
25 Sharon Allen
26 Taylor James
27 Diane Clark
28 Todd Lloyd—Nathan
Nielsen—Kelly Ann Ellis
29 Ray Bierman
30 Ray Bye—Evah
McMullin
31 Marvus Kunder

EMPTY NESTERS WILL MEET MAY 11TH AT
TERRY AND JANE JOHNSON'S HOME AT 7:00

GET CONNECTED WILLOW CANYON 1ST WARD WEBSITE

YOU WILL NEED TWO PIECES OF INFORMATION TO SET UP AN ACCOUNT ON THE 1ST WARD WEBSITE

1. Your membership record number which is found on your temple recommend or from Scott Williams (571-8567)
2. Your confirmation date. Also available from Scott Williams

GETTING CONNECTED COULD NOT BE EASIER

1. Go to www.lds.org
2. Find a link on right side of page called "Stake and Ward Websites" and click
3. If you are new to the site click on "Obtain an Account"
4. Complete all the information and click on "Submit" at bottom of page. Make sure you include your most used email address so you can obtain the most up to date information as it is emailed out to the ward.
5. Once you have set up an account each time you return just log in using your username and password. The ward website is updated almost daily as information is submitted. This is by far the most accurate and timely way to stay in touch with news, calendars, lesson schedules, information and much more about what is going on in the Ward. If you have questions please contact Russ Messerly 572-3581 or russmesserly@msn.com. We will continue to have a hard copy of the newsletter even though you can access it on website.

PRIMARY

Yearly Theme: My Eternal Family: May Theme: Baptism and confirmation are ordinances that Bless my family.

May Scripture : John 3:5 "Except a man be born of water and of the spirit, he cannot enter into The kingdom of God."

It is time for our annual "End of school bike parade". This year we will meet at Sister Baker's house to decorate our bikes, scooters, strollers or anything else that you would like to ride. We will ride from Baker's house to Eastpoint Circle where we will have hotdogs and soda. This is an activity that is always lots of fun for the kids and their parents. We hope you will all join us Friday June 5th @ 4:00pm for this fun family activity! We will be sending our reminders as the date gets closer.

Matthew Miles was baptized on May 2nd. We are so happy for him and his decision to be baptized. Rain Tanner and Amber Weight will both be baptized in June. We are excited for these sweet kids and their parents. We are looking forward to the many baptisms that we will have this year. We love your children and are excited to see them each week in Primary.

YW / WM

These are the tentative dates we have now for practices and performance of the Draper Temple Dedication Celebration.

May 5 7-9 pm Buttercup All Stake Youth Dancers
May 7 5-7 pm Conference Center All Dancers Meet at Buttercup 3:45
May 13 7-9 pm Buttercup All Stake Dancers
May 16 9-11 am Buttercup All Dancers with Canyon View Stake
May 16 8-11 am Conference Center All Choir Meet at Buttercup 7:15am
May 20 4-10 pm Conference Center All Dancers Leave 3:15 pm No Choir
May 27 5-10 pm Conference Center Full Dress Rehearsal for ALL Youth
May 29 8:00 pm Conference Center Performance Call time TBA

Parents please note times when your youth will need to have an early dinner and on May 20 and 27 please send a sack lunch. Please remember this could change a little. We will keep parents informed. Also we know this is as busy time of year with testing at school and other activities. Make sure your youth get their sleep. We know this is a lot but know what a blessing it is to be part of this celebration. We appreciate all of your support and we love your youth.

Happy birthday to Kaylin Nydegger May 5 and Rachel Bierman May 19.

Laurel Graduation dinner has been cancelled.

Seminary Graduation May 31, 6:00pm

We want to wish all Mother's a happy day. We love and appreciate all you do.

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY TO ALL OUR GREAT MOTHERS-

The Power of the Priesthood

The rights of the priesthood are inseparably connected with the powers of heaven, and...the powers of heaven cannot be controlled nor handled only upon the principles of righteousness. D&C.121:36

The Priesthood is not a passive thing. It is an active power. It is ours to enjoy, to exercise for the blessings of others, to magnify by the manner of our lives, and to advance the cause of the Almighty.
Gordon B. Hinckley

PREPAREDNESS

For the month of May we will be sponsoring Sanitation Kits. For more info please contact Rex or Chyrrel Cook 801-571-8371. See the display by the Relief Society Room each Sunday.

Sandy Dry Pack Cannery Date is May 30th Saturday 1:00 to 5:00pm

Coming soon we will have emergency washing kits. If you ever dislike doing the laundry, just hope it doesn't ever come down to this method because you will really appreciate your automatic washer and dryer.

FAMILY HISTORY

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We are sending you a current schedule for the Family History Center, which is located on the west side of the Buttercup chapel. There are trained Family History Consultants on duty when it is open. We are on duty each month on the second Sunday from 4:30 - 7:00 pm, and on the 4th and 5th Saturdays from 9-12 noon.

We will gladly meet with you, in your home or ours, to assess your family history needs and help you carry out your responsibility as stated in D&C 128:24-25

24 "Behold, the great day of the Lord is at hand; and who can abide the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appeareth? For he is like a refiner's fire, and like fuller's soap; and he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness. Let us, therefore, as a church and a people, and as Latter-day Saints, offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness; and let us present in his holy temple, when it is finished, a book containing the records of our dead, which shall be worthy of all acceptance.

25 Brethren, I have many things to say to you on the subject; but shall now close for the present, and continue the subject another time. I am, as ever, your humble servant and never deviating friend,

Joseph Smith

The way this is fulfilled is a lot easier than most members realize. We can help you do it. The church has finally reached the point where most of this work can be done on the Internet. Utah and Idaho will be able to access the new family search website in the near future, and this will be a great day in the history of the world. We encourage you to get started now.

Sincerely,

Merrill and Ronee Scott

801-571-4952

6th Annual

Willow Canyon 5K Fun Run and Fitness Walk

Date: Saturday, June 6th

Time: 7:00 am

Place: 9636 South 1700 East (by LDS building)

This is one of the few free 5k events held in Utah. It's purpose is to encourage walking and jogging among our community members. The course is designed to be family friendly so that young, younger and (not-so-young) can participate. Many families and friends participate every year. So, if you would like to try a 5k (3.1 miles) this race is for you. This year the first 60 registrants will get a free t-shirt with our race logo. As always we will have water / Gatorade / fruit / cookies every .6 miles. Certificates are available to all who would like one. So please mark your calendars and start walking / jogging to train for this fun event. Please call Stefan 801-979-9590 with any questions.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 •Scout-O-Rama	2 •Scout-O-Rama •Stake Baptism
3 •Fast Sunday •CES Fireside for Young Adults •7:00 AM Stake General Priesthood Mtg.	4 •FHE	5 •7:00 PM Temple Celebration Practice - Buttercup	6 •YM, YW Activity Night •8:00 PM Youth Temple Celebration Practice - Buttercup	7 •Stake interviews by appointment •5:00 PM Youth Temple Celebration Practice - Conf. Center - DANCERS ONLY •7:00 PM BSA COR / LDS Rel. Comm.	8	9
10 •Mothers' Day	11 •FHE	12 •6:30 PM Youth Temple Celebration - Leaders Only - Conf. Center	13 •7:00 PM Youth Temple Celebration Practice - Buttercup	14 •Stake interviews by appointment •7:30 PM Scouting Roundtable - Stake Center	15	16 •Multi-Stake YSA Game Night •Sandy DI dock assignment •YW/YM Regional Dance •9:00 AM Youth Temple Celebration Practice - Conference Center - CHOIR ONLY •12:00 PM DI Dock Assignment - Elders
17 •High Council speakers •7:00 AM Stake Bishops' Mtg. w/ Counselors •7:30 AM Missionary Preparation Class •2:15 PM Bishop's Youth Council •3:00 PM Priesthood Preview - Baker's Home	18 •FHE	19	20 •3:00 PM Stake Blood Drive (Buttercup) •4:00 PM Youth Temple Celebration Practice - Conf. Center	21 •Scouting outdoor leader skills Trng. •Stake interviews by appointment	22	23
24 •8:30 AM Ward Council Mtg. •4:15 PM Missionary correlation	25 •Memorial Day •FHE	26 •Employment Services - Single Mothers Seminar	27 •5:00 PM Youth Temple Celebration Practice - Dress Rehearsal - Conf. Center	28 •Stake interviews by appointment	29 •Draper Temple Celebration •Venturer Cowboy Action Shoot •Youth Temple Celebration - Conf. Center	30 •1:00 PM Dry pack canning
31 •5th Sunday Combined Priesthood/Relief Society Lesson •4:30 PM High Priest Group Leader Roundtable •6:00 PM Seminary Graduation	*FUN RUN JUNE 6 TH *SCOUT CAMP JUNE 15 TH - 20 TH	*PRIEST CAMP JUNE 23 RD - 27 TH	*WARD FAMILY REUNION JULY 15 TH @ HIDDEN VALLEY PARK	*GIRLS CAMP AUG 10 TH - 14 TH *HIGH PRIEST PARTY AUG 22 ND	*CHRISTMAS PARTY DECEMBER 12 TH 9:00 AM BREAKFAST	