Indian Ridge Ward August 2016 – Faith and Service, Hand in Hand

Could there ever be greater examples of Faith and Service, in the Book of Mormon, than what we have in Alma the elder, Alma the younger, Ammon, Aaron, Omner, Himni, Amulek, Zeezrom, Helaman, Shiblon, and Corianton? From Mosiah 17 through Alma 42, there are numerous examples of the great faith and endless service that these servants of the Lord had and performed. From the waters of Mormon to the lands of Zarahemla and Nephi, they went about preaching the word of God, "... confirming their faith, and exhorting them with long-suffering and much travail to keep the commandments of God." (Mosiah 27:33) "... they preached the word, and the truth, according to the spirit of prophecy and revelation; and they preached after the holy order of God by which they were called." (Alma 43:2) Because of their untiring work of spreading the Gospel, their devotion to the Lord, and their concern for the salvation of members and non-members of the Church alike, the Book of Mormon tells us that several of these individuals received the promise of eternal life.

While in the land of Antionum, preaching to word of God among the Zoramites, Alma the younger was approached by a great multitude of "poor" people. These individuals were "poor" because of the coarseness of their apparel, being esteemed by other as filthy and dross. Having been cast out of their synagogues because of the judgements of others, this multitude was also "poor in heart." There, when asked how they might worship God, seeing that they were not allowed to enter the synagogues, Alma took the opportunity to teach them regarding faith.

Alma taught: "Now, as I said concerning faith—that it was not a perfect knowledge – even so it is with my words. Ye cannot know of their surety at first, unto perfection, any more than faith is a perfect knowledge.

"But behold, if ye will awake and arouse your faculties, even to an experiment upon my words, and exercise a particle of faith, yea, even if ye can no more than desire to believe, let this desire work in you, even until ye believe in a manner that ye can give place for a portion of my words." (Alma 32:26-27) Alma goes on to compare faith to a seed. Not a seed that is planted and left alone to grow on its own. But a seed that is planted, cultivated, and cared for, a seed that is watched over, nourished, and protected. For Alma taught that if the seed is neglected and no thought taken for its nourishment and care, "... it will not get any root; and when the heat of the sun cometh and scorcheth it, because it hath no root it withers away, and ye pluck it up and cast it out." (Alma 32:38)

Faith like a seed needs planting, patience, diligence, nourishing, and care. Left to its own, faith will never take root and become knowledge. So how does one cultivate, nourish, and care for faith? It's through fasting, prayer, study, and service.

In the Epistle of James, James asked the twelve tribes scattered abroad: "What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? Can faith save him?

"If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food,

"And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit?

"Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.

"Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.

"For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also." (James 2:14-18, 26)

Faith goes hand in hand with service, and service goes hand in hand with faith.

The Bishopric

2016 Monthly Sacrament Themes

AugustService, Faith, Keep Sabbath Day HolySeptemberTeaching of the ProphetsOctoberTemple, Priesthood OrdinancesNovemberThe Great Plan of HappinessDecemberLife of Christ

Relief Society

Summer is quickly racing by. We hope you are enjoying your summer time with family and friends, especially as we try to fit everything in before the new school year begins.

We had a wonderful Relief Society evening in the Burnett's beautiful back yard. It felt like the gardens at Temple Square. Thank you Carrie for sharing with us! We enjoyed yummy salads, desserts and much laughter. It was wonderful to get to know and love each other better. Thank you to our Enrichment Committee for such a delightful night. Also thanks to the High Priest brethren for helping with the chairs. We appreciate your support.

We are feeling blessed as our ward family continues to grow. Tim and Natalie Pickett have added beautiful Ada to their family. She is such a sweet baby. Congratulations!

Welcome to Steven and Analisa Edmonds and their sweet daughter Brooke to our ward. They live on 1428 Cedar Crest Drive and we look forward to getting to know them better. Welcome!

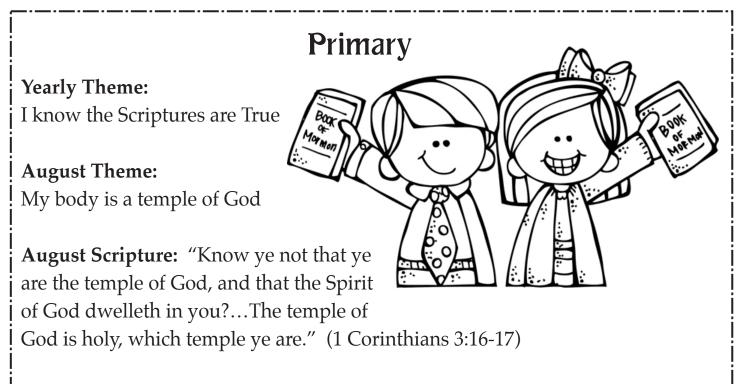
Also welcome to Chris and Kathy Machinski and their service dog who live on 1401 Indian Ridge Circle. You may have noticed their missionary badges last Sunday. They have been serving in the Addiction Recovery program for about five years. They lead various 12-step meetings throughout the valley. Chris and Kathy both have Type 1 Diabetes, and their dog, Charlie, is a diabetic service dog. Some diabetics do not have symptoms when their blood sugars are out of whack until it is too late. The service dogs can smell when the sugars are too low or too high and alert the owners. We look forward to getting to know you also. Welcome!

Mark your calendars for our Neighborhood Family Picnic on August 26th at Buttercup Park at 6:00 pm. Assignments will be coming.

Our Relief Society evening with President Hinckley's daughters will be on Thursday, October 20th. All the sisters in the stake are invited. More information will be coming. Please save the date.

As always, thank you for all your kindness and service and willingness to share. You all are awesome!

Love, Kim, Kathi, Shelly, and Charlene



We would like to welcome Ronee Scott as a music chorister. We are excited to have her in Primary.

In July we were able to celebrate Pioneer Day in Primary by learning about the pioneers and how they came into the valley and were able to help in building temples. We would like to thank Chyrrel and Rex Cook for coming to Primary and teaching us about the Kirtland and Manti temples. We would also like to thank Rod Mitchell for coming and playing the guitar and Jennifer Mitchell for teaching us songs about pioneers. It is wonderful to have people in the ward that are so wiling to help out.

Just a reminder: Keep reading the scriptures so that you can turn in your charts monthly. We are so blessed to have the scriptures to guide us in our everyday lives.

The Primary Presidency



Young Men

Deacons: Scouts will be holding a Court of Honor in the month of August.

Teachers/Priests: Youth Conference, Friday & Saturday August 12 & 13 - for 14 - 18 year olds Meet at 9 a.m. at the church on Friday, and at 7:45 a.m. at the church on Saturday. The kids should be home around 8:30 p.m. each night.

Wednesday, August 17 and Saturday August 20 JJ Rigby's Eagle Scout Project

Wednesday, August 24 Young Men Activity – 7 p.m.

Wednesday, August 31 Young Men Activity – 7 p.m.

Young Women

Wednesday, August 10 Personal Progress, Push for Pizza Party

Friday & Saturday, August 12 & 13 Youth Conference for Mia Maids and Laurels. Meet at 9 a.m. at the church on Friday, and at 7:45 a.m. at the church on Saturday. Will return home each night around 8 p.m.

Wednesday, August 17 Personal Progress, Push for Pizza Party

Wednesday, August 24 Pizza party

Wednesday, August 31 TBD

Parents we need your help:

All youth who will be attending Youth Conference on August 12th and 13th will need to have a Family Search user name and password in order to participate in one of the classes we will attend on Saturday. We will be learning more about genealogy and will have hands-on experiences.

Please give your user name and password to either Sister Weight or Brother Glauser to be compiled on a master list to take with us.

If you don't have a user name and password, please work on getting one so your youth will be able to participate. It is asked that all adult leaders who are going to Youth Conference, also bring a user name and password as well.

Family History



Need help finding ancestors to take to the temple?

Want to get started on Family History but don't know where to start?

Visit our stake's FAMILY HISTORY CENTER

Location: Buttercup Building (1600 East Buttercup Drive), NW entrance

Open: Tuesdays 1-4 p.m. Wednesdays 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m.

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Our Ward Missionaries

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Chris and Kathy Machinski Addiction Recovery Program Missionaries

Robert and Andrea Marx Guest Service Missionaries at Temple Square

Bruce and Vivienne Sullivan Helsinki Finland Temple Mission Leppäsillantie 3, FI-02620 Espoo, Finland Check out their missionary blog at: **SullivansinFinland.blogspot.com**

Bob and Marie Thompson Service Missionaries at the Bishops' Storehouse

Happy Birthday!!!



August 2016

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- 22 James Christensen Jocelyn Hauber Christian McLeskey Florence Nunley
- 25 Richard Hackett Teri Rousseau
- 26 Lori Hanson
- 27 Tom Hook
- 29 Justin Hatton Gertrude Tiede
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It will help us get to know each other better, especially since so many of us are still trying to figure out just which names go with which people in our newly-combined Ward! Thank you!