

Indian Ridge Ward

February 2016 – Who is my Neighbor?

Throughout Christ's ministry, Pharisees were constantly on the alert to annoy and, if possible, trick Jesus with questions on the law and the doctrine. Their design was to provoke him to say or do something, anything, that wasn't consistent with the law or the doctrine. This may have been the case when, as recorded in Luke, Chapter 10, a certain lawyer arose and asked him, "Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?"

What followed was a short conversation, with Jesus asking the lawyer what was written in the law and how the lawyer understood the doctrine. The lawyer responded and Jesus said to him, "Thou hast answered right; this do, and thou shalt live."

Not wanting to end his discussion with Jesus, the lawyer then asked, "And who is my neighbour?" Jesus, seeing an opportunity to teach, responded with the Parable of the Good Samaritan. At the end of the parable, Jesus asked the lawyer, "Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves?" The lawyer answered, "He that shewed mercy on him." Then Jesus said unto him, "Go, and do thou likewise."

To some, this parable was simply a story that gave some insight into the thoughts and actions of a priest, a Levite, and a Samaritan. To the lawyer, it gave him the opportunity to rightfully identify the victim's "neighbor." But to His followers, those who had ears to hear, Jesus taught that the essential difference between the Samaritan and the others was that the Samaritan had a compassionate heart and the others were unloving and selfish.

In *Jesus the Christ*, Elder James E. Talmage writes: "Though not definitely stated, the victim of the robbers was almost certainly a Jew; the point of the parable requires it to be so. That the merciful one was a Samaritan, showed that the people called heretic and despised by the Jews could excel in good works. To a Jew, none but Jews were neighbors."

So, who is your neighbor? Is it those who live to the left or the right of you? Or those who live across the street or behind you? Is it limited to your street, the Ward, or the Stake?

In a January 1977 address President Spencer W. Kimball said: “We must remember that those mortals we meet in parking lots, offices, elevators, and elsewhere are that portion of mankind God has given us to love and to serve.”

President Thomas S. Monson, in the October 2009 General Conference said: “I am confident it is the intention of each member of the Church to serve and to help those in need. At baptism we covenanted to “bear one another’s burdens, that they may be light.” How many times has your heart been touched as you have witnessed the need of another? How often have you intended to be the one to help? And yet how often has day-to-day living interfered and you’ve left it for others to help, feeling that “oh, surely someone will take care of that need.”

Sometimes our greatest opportunities to serve and bless come when it is least convenient. In the Savior’s parable, the Good Samaritan interrupted his journey, then and there, to minister to the stricken man’s needs. Throughout his mortal ministry, no one was beneath the Savior’s notice or too low for Him to reach out to. As the Savior did, so can we “Go, and do thou likewise.”

Love,
Your Bishopric

2016 Monthly Sacrament Themes

January	Atonement, Keep Sabbath Day Holy
February	Marriage, Family, Love your Neighbor
March	Restoration of the Gospel, 3 Nephi, Alma, 2 Nephi 2 & 9
April	Charity, Tithing, Fast Offerings
May	General Conference Talks
June	Freedom in America (one Sunday), Missionary Work
July	Book of Mormon (2 Nephi 2 & 9)
August	Service, Faith, Keep Sabbath Day Holy
September	Teaching of the Prophets
October	Temple, Priesthood Ordinances
November	The Great Plan of Happiness
December	Life of Christ

Happy Birthday!!!



February 2016

- 2 Carol Wilson
- 3 Samantha Ellis
Jay Nielsen
- 4 Darin Olsen
Ryker Reynolds
- 5 Ruth Clegg
- 6 Ron Baker
- 7 Chris Duffy
Harry Mills
- 10 Donna Rose
Lindsey Taylor
- 12 Joshua Ellis
- 13 Priscilla Trujillo
- 14 Mont Bishop
Sophia Larson
- 15 Steven McBride
Matt Pendleton
David Stevens
- 16 Cynthia Greenwood
Brenda Miller
- 19 Ryker Olsen
- 20 Jill Benson
- 21 Kenneth Plumb
Marie Thompson
- 23 Lindsay Kramer
- 24 Marilyn Hampton
Dan Mirci
- 26 Matthew Cooley
Strider Curtis
- 27 Lee Guest
Alec Jones
- 28 Kyle Anderton

March 2016

- 3 Peri Eby
Erika Weight
- 5 Charree Haislip

Upcoming Welfare Assignments

Friday, February 19th - Sandy Bishops' Storehouse
(615 East 8400 South)

from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

2 individuals needed

Tuesday, May 24th - Sandy Vegetable Farm
(9905 Poppy Lane - behind Sandy Institute bldg)

from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

12 individuals needed

Our Ward also has assignments to help
clean the Draper Temple on Tuesday, March 22nd,
and Friday, March 25th,
from 10:00 p.m. to Midnight

9 individuals needed each evening

**Please contact Ron Baker at 801-572-0518 or
Ron@xmission.com if you can help.**



Indian Ridge Ward Soup and Salad Dinner

The Indian Ridge Ward will be
hosting a Soup and Salad Dinner
on Friday, February 19th
at 7:00 p.m. in the Stake Center.
This will be for all adults in the
ward boundaries so branch out
and invite your neighbors!

Also, don't forget to sign up to bring your favorite soup
or salad. Sign-up sheets will be passed around during
Sunday school or you may contact Myrna Christensen
to sign up. **We look forward to seeing you all there!**

Primary

Yearly Theme:

I Know My Savior Lives

February Theme:

The Scriptures teach of Heavenly Father's Plan

February Scripture:

"For behold, this is my work and my glory - to bring to pass the immortality and eternal life of man" (Moses 1:39)

We would like to welcome Brother Matt Smith and Brother Dave Ellis as teachers in the Primary. We are excited to have them help us in the Primary.

Just a reminder that we should each be reading our scriptures each day and the children can fill out their scripture sheet and return it to the presidency.

The
Primary Presidency



I love to read 
the Scriptures

Young Women

Wednesday, February 3

New Beginnings, 7 p.m., RS Room,
Sunday Dress, bring parents

Wednesday, February 10

YW at the church, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, February 16

Draper Temple baptisms, 5 p.m.

Wednesday, February 24

YW at the church, 7 p.m.

The Young Women have basketball games this month, on Thursdays, February 4th, 18th and 25th at 6 p.m. at the Stake Center.

Young Men

Teachers/ Priests

Wednesday, February 10

Stake Venture Activity
7 p.m. at the Buttercup Chapel

Tuesday, February 16

Baptisms for the Dead 5 p.m.

Wednesday, February 24

Young Men activity 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 1

Stake Venture Activity

Congratulations to Coleman Lloyd, Josh Ellis, Mason Miles, Chandler Glauser, and Matthew Miles for all receiving their Eagle Scout Awards!



Choir

Scheduled Choir rehearsals have changed. They will now be held each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. at the Stake Center. Practices will start in the Relief Society Room and will switch to the chapel part way through. This is a new and permanent change.

We have a beautiful song to learn for February and are starting to learn our three songs for Easter Sunday on March 27th. If you have a desire to sing, come and join us, you are both needed and wanted.

Singing praises together is a beautiful way to worship on Sundays and invite the spirit into our hearts.

Detailed Rehearsal Schedule

February 7th - 9:45 a.m.

February 14th - 9:45 a.m.

February 21st- 10:10 a.m.

Quick warm-up before we sing in Sacrament Meeting
February 28th- 9:45 a.m.



Missionaries

Elder Jared Rigby
(Mississippi Jackson Mission)
1875 Burnham Road
Brandon, MS 39042

Gary and Susan Johnson
(Inner City Mission, Columbus Branch)

Bruce & Vivienne Sullivan
They will leave on May 17th for the Helsinki Finland Temple Mission.



If you need a printout of your 2015 donations for tax purposes, please contact

Jack Thompson (801-571-6833)
or Michael Jones (801-580-7075)

and we'll get one for you.

Also, let us know if you would like a Ward directory.

Employment

For employment opportunities and information, please contact Lane Clark at: info@SmashCRM.com or call him at his home at: 801-571-7857.

Relief Society

Our Dear Sisters, how grateful we are for each of you! These past several months have given us many opportunities to step outside our comfort zones a little and extend a hand of friendship within our new Indian Ridge Ward. We are so blessed to share our experiences in the gospel together!

We have a lot going on in Relief Society. Opportunities to serve continue to present themselves among our members. Please continue to be mindful of the needs of others. Your prayers and your kind words help to lift and heal.

We rejoice with our dear sisters who have recently received Temple blessings! And we continue to extend our faith and prayers for those with difficult health challenges.

We are also grateful to you for accepting and fulfilling new Visiting Teaching assignments that came with the Ward boundary changes.

In the coming weeks, look for sign-ups for missionary meals, welfare service, and Temple cleaning. We also have a few Relief Society meetings on the calendar for some socializing – with the Birthday Party coming in March! Watch for details in your weekly Relief Society newsletter.

We extend our love and gratitude to each of you. We pray for your success and well-being. May you be blessed in all your righteous endeavors.

Love,
Vivienne, Kaylin, Kelly, and Gina



Cub Scouts

The Cub Scout
Blue and Gold Banquet will be held
on Wednesday February 24th
at 6:30 p.m. in the Stake Center gym.