

Indian Ridge Ward

May 2016 – Why do we have General Conference?

Since the organization of the Church in these latter days, the Saints have been instructed to hold conferences from time to time as directed or appointed (See D&C 20: 61-62). This April, as it's happened every six months before since October 1848, a session of General Conference was held. General Conferences are held every April and October. While originating from Salt Lake City, General Conferences are now an international event for the Church. Sessions are broadcast worldwide in many languages, primarily through local and international media outlets, and over the Internet.

General Conference gives members of the Church an opportunity to gather together to hear from General Authorities and other church leaders. As instructed in D&C 124:144, changes to Church leadership are also proposed and sustained through the principle of common consent (see D&C 26). General Conferences are held on the weekends of the first Sundays in April and October. The April conference is known as the Annual General Conference, while the October conference is referred to as the Semiannual General Conference. Both conferences are identified by the number of years since the church was founded; thus, the April 2016 conference was the 186th Annual General Conference, and the October 2016 conference will be the 186th Semiannual General Conference of the Church.

Since October 1848, all conferences have been held in Salt Lake City, with the exception of the April 1877 Conference, which was held in St. George. Conferences were held in a bowery from 1848 to 1852, in the Old Tabernacle from 1852 to 1867, and in the Tabernacle from October 1867 through October 1999. Since April 2000, conferences have originated from the Conference Center. Historically, General Conference was held over three days, with the annual conference always including April 6th. This made conference participation difficult for those with work and school commitments when April 6th fell on a weekday. In April 1977, during President Kimball's presidency, changes were made to reduce the conference to the Saturday and Sunday of a weekend. (Reference source: Wikipedia, General Conference LDS Church)

So, what words of counsel, inspiration, and encouragement did the General Authorities and church leaders give in this April's General Conference? What did they say that might strengthen our testimonies and help us keep the commandments more perfectly? While we may have had the opportunity to hear each of the talks as they were delivered, we may not have been able to give them our full attention or we may not have grasped the full meaning of what was said.

The good news is that the first weekend of April and October is not the only opportunity we have to hear the talks of General Conference. The week following Conference, talks were already available on the internet to be listened to again and to be read and studied for the first time. In May and November, the talks are also available in the Ensign for us to read and study. If you're like me, having the Conference talks available on the internet and in the Ensign heightens my appreciation for the messages that were delivered. I get to hear again the experiences shared by the speakers. I get to read the testimonies vocalized more carefully. And I get to feel again the Spirit I felt during General Conference.

We encourage you to use the months between General Conferences to listen to, to read, and to study the talks of the previous conference. Read again the talks you felt inspired by the first time you heard them. Study the talks you may have missed or weren't able to give your full attention to during the Conference. Your life will be blessed for doing so, and your testimony will be strengthened.

Love,
Your Bishopric

2016 Monthly Sacrament Themes

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

Relief Society

As your new Relief Society presidency, we appreciate your love and support and patience as we learn and serve. We especially thank Vivienne, Kaylin, Kelly, and Gina for your many hours of service. What an amazing example we have to follow! We especially wish Vivienne and Bruce blessings as they serve their new mission in the Helsinki Finland Temple. You will be missed!

We want to welcome Debbie Bierman as our "meeting leader" for homemaking, along with Kim Evans and Shawna Zitzelsberger who are joining the committee with Kathy Plumb and Natalie Pickett. Thank you sisters. We also want to thank all the sisters serving in Relief Society callings for "staying with us". We look forward to serving together.

On Wednesday, May 25th, at 6:00 p.m. we will again have our service project, "Days for Girls". We are inviting the YW, ages 12 and older also to help with this wonderful service. More information will be coming but please save the date.

We also want to thank everyone for your service at the Alta Ridge Relief Society in April. What a special opportunity to be with these wonderful people and feel of their sweet spirits and testimonies.

We have had many opportunities to serve this past month and thank you for your willingness to serve and share. Blessings to all!

Thank you again for your love and support. We are excited to serve our wonderful sisters in the Indian Ridge Ward and get to know you better.

Love, Kim, Kathi, Shelly, and Charlene

Employment

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

Newsletter Submissions

Please submit your contributions for the June newsletter no later than May 31st to dbmahler@velvetshadow.com
Thank you to each person who takes the time to contribute their information for this newsletter every month!

Primary

Yearly Theme:

I know the Scriptures are True

May Theme:

The Church of Jesus Christ
has been Restored

May Scripture:

"I saw two Persoages, whose brightness
and glory defy all description, standing
above me in the air. One of them spake
unto me, calling me by name and said,
pointing to the other - This is My Beloved Son, Hear Him!"
(Joseph Smith-History 1:17)



Just a reminder for the children to read your scriptures. The children can also learn the Articles of Faith in order to put their name on a scripture page. It is through the scriptures that we can learn more about our Savior and how to grow closer to him.

The Primary Presidency

Empty Nesters

Empty Nesters will meet
on May 9th at 7:00 p.m.

at the home of Marilyn Crapo,
9530 South 1335 East.

We are still reading
"The Autobiography
of Parley P. Pratt".

All Empty Nesters are welcome,
but please give Marilyn a call at
801-571-2114 if you plan to come,
so we have enough seats.

Choir



We're taking it easy this month, with
only two rehearsals:

Sunday, May 15th
Sunday, May 22nd

Both rehearsals start at 9:45 a.m.
in the Relief Society Room.
We'll be singing on the 22nd
during Sacrament Meeting.

Young Men

Deacons:

Scout Camp will be held
Monday, July 11 to Thursday, July 14
at Palisades State Park near Manti.

Teachers/Priests:

Wednesday, May 4
Young Men Activity – 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 11
Stake YW/YM Combined Activity
(14-18 year olds)

Thursday, May 12
District 15 Venturing Spring Fling
(Ultimate Frisbee & Volleyball)
Dahlquist Park
(9855 South 2300 East) – 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 18
Young Men Activity – 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 24
Sandy Vegetable Farm
Service Activity with the YW
6 to 8 p.m.

Thursday, May 26
Baptisms for the dead
at the Salt Lake Temple – 6 p.m.
(Meet at 5 p.m.)

Wednesday, June 1
Young Men Activity – 7 p.m.

The Stake Young Men (14-18)
Teton High Adventure Camp
will be held Monday, June 20 to
Wednesday, June 22.

Young Women

Wednesday, May 4
Girls Camp Preparation Activity

Friday, May 6
Stake Camp First-Aid Night

Wednesday, May 11
All Youth 14 and older
are invited to a Stake Activity.
Details to come!
We will have a separate
Beehive Activity that night.

Wednesday, May 18
Young Women Activity

Tuesday, May 24
Combined Service Activity at the
Sandy Vegetable Garden 6-8 p.m.

Wednesday, May 25
Days For Girls Service Activity

Thursday, May 26
Baptisms for the dead
at the Salt Lake Temple – 6 p.m.

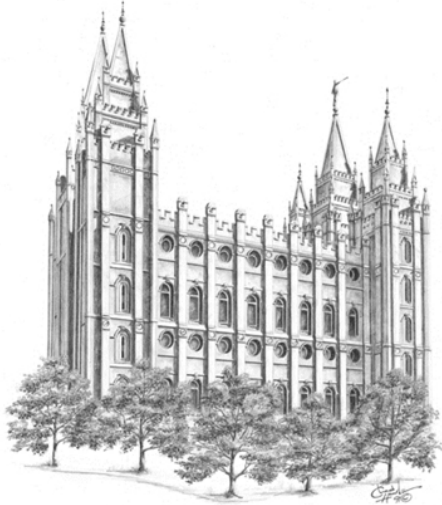
Summer is almost here and we have a
few scheduled fun activities you don't
want to miss. Please mark these dates on
your Calendar!

Stake Girl's Camp at Walsburg:
June 14-17. **Money is due now!**
\$70 paid to the Ward.

Beehive Brighton Camp: July 25- 29

Youth Conference: August 12 & 13

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.

Indian Ridge Ward
Family History Consultant
Chris Duffy 801-661-2140

Our Ward Missionaries

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

Gary and Susan Johnson
Inner City Mission, Columbus Branch

Bob and Marie Thompson
Service Missionaries
at the Bishops' Storehouse

Robert and Andrea Marx
Guest Service Missionaries
at Temple Square

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

Coleman Lloyd
He will leave on June 22nd for the
Argentina Comodoro Rivadavia
Mission.



Cub Scouts

Pack meeting will be held on the
4th Wednesday,
May 25th at 6:30 p.m.
It is usually held in the Primary Room
but may be held in the gym.

Happy Birthday!!!



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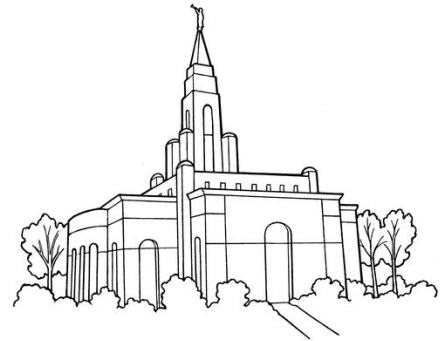
- 2 Ron Hansen
- 3 Russ Messerly
Terri Williams
- 4 Rick Morris
Steven Riep
- 5 Dave Ellis
Todd Evans
Kaylin Nydegger
Stefan Wells
- 6 Jennifer Mitchell
- 7 David Terry
- 8 Dorothy Schmidt
Luke Weight
- 10 Jane Johnson
- 11 Curtis Goodell
Cherie Keith
- 12 Tammie Dusoe
- 13 Danyel Benavides
Janis Kershaw
- 14 Joseph Little
Amberly Olsen
- 15 Carley Sturdivant
- 16 Shane Kershaw
- 17 Dale Ridd
- 21 David Packard
- 25 Sharon Allen
- 26 Benson Pickett
- 27 Diane Clark

- 28 Kelly Ellis
Todd Lloyd
- 29 Ray Bierman
Randy Robbins
- 30 Michael Killpack
Evah McMullin
Landon North
- 31 Geneva Hofeling
Kara McLeskey

June 2016

- 2 Bob Schildmeyer
- 3 Amber Weight
- 4 Mary Bye
Daphne Mounteer
Joyce Walkenhorst

Ward Temple Sealings will be on Tuesday May 17th at the Draper Temple 6:50 p.m. We only have three more opportunities to do sealings as a Ward this year. The Temple will be closed on Tuesday nights starting in August.



Please Update and Add Photos

Please put your email address, phone numbers, and photos if possible, in the Online Directory.

Go to **LDS.org**

- ~ Sign in with your Username and Password
- ~ Stake and Ward Directory
- ~ Household
- ~ Edit

Put in email addresses, photos, and phone numbers (cell phones too).

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!

