## Indian Ridge Ward

# September 2016 - Heavenly Father Provides Us with Mountains to Climb So We Can Become Like Him

Acquiring and growing a testimony is like climbing a mountain. As we ascend the mountain we can turn and view the vista behind us, and feel a sense of accomplishment at how far we've come.

As we continue the climb we will arrive at the top and feel a rush of accomplishment and growth. However, as we look into the distance we soon become aware that there are towering peaks before us that need to be climbed. We know if we leave these unclimbed we'll be missing out on experience, experience that we need and should not put off.

Not all who climb continue, it is difficult, and many chose to ignore the invitation of the inviting peaks beckoning them. It is so easy to plateau in our journey, especially when everything is going well.

This is when we can begin to forget the Lord and take side paths instead of climbing towards the peaks. These side paths have many destinations but none of them offer the rewards of climbing towards the peaks.

The peaks represent the things the Lord knows we are in most need of. The side paths represent the struggles we allow ourselves to wander into because we're not staying focused on moving steadily towards the peaks.

We need to keep our eyes riveted on the purposes of church membership—receiving the gift Holy Ghost, a remission of sins, and then maintaining a remission of sins.

When trials come upon us, we can be seduced by the evil one to take side paths and busy ourselves in things like idling away our time, or learning, but never coming to a knowledge of the truth, or indulging in the things of the flesh that create chains of bondage.

The Savior climbed the mountains the Father required of Him—resulting in the atonement. This provides you and me with the gifts of repentance, grace, and the promise of His support in all our trials, troubles, and afflictions. As we climb the peaks we need to conquer, the Savior will be there watching over us.

The Savior's lament is, "my blood shall not cleanse them if they hear me not". We need to hear the Savior and chart a course and trek towards the mountain peaks the Father is inviting us to conquer.

The scriptures are our map and compass. The church is our outfitter, and the living prophets our guides. We have everything we need to gain "eternal life; which gift is the greatest of all the gifts of God."

Let's climb together as followers of Christ and take up Brigham Young's motto—"The Kingdom or God or Nothing".

## **Book of Mormon Quiz**

1) True or False Nephi, being led by the Spirit, knew exactly what to do to obtain the plates when he and his brothers tried for the third time?
2) And it came to pass that I was by the Spirit that I should kill Laban. Fill in the blank.
<ul><li>3) What does it mean to come out in "open rebellion against God"?</li><li>A. To be excommunicated.</li><li>B. To be convicted of a crime and sentenced to prison.</li><li>C. To dwindle in unbelief and stop attending church.</li><li>D. To withdraw yourself from the Spirit of the Lord.</li></ul>
4) The Book of Mormon uses three methods to keep track of the passage of time. Can you recall them?
5) True or False The Book of Mormon supports the Biblical account of the flood.
which I should do." (1 Nephi 4:6)  2) constrained (1 Nephi 4:10)  3) D (Mosiah 2:36-37)  4) First, from the time Lehi left Jerusalem, Second, the reign of the judges, Third, from the time the sign was give of Christ's birth  (Ether 13:2 and Ether 6:7)
1) False "And I was led by the Spirit, not knowing beforehand the things

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#### **Relief Society**

What a wonderful neighborhood picnic we enjoyed last Friday evening. It was so fun to visit and get to know each other better. Thank you for all the delicious potluck food! All the help setting up and cleaning up and especially to our "grillers".

As our Ward Family continues to grow, we welcome the Te'o family who live on Winterwood Circle. We look forward to getting to know you better.

As the new school year starts, we wish all a successful and safe year.

Please mark your calendars for our Stake Relief Society evening with President Hinckley's daughters, which will be on Thursday, October 20th. All the sisters in the stake are invited. Please save the date.

As always, thank you for the many acts of kindness and service. Please keep our dear sisters in your prayers who at this time are facing many health challenges, as well as other challenges. We love you.

Love, Kim, Kathi, Shelly, and Charlene

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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!

#### Yearly Theme:

I know the Scriptures are True

#### **September Theme:**

The gospel will be preached in all the world

September Scripture: "This gospel

shall be preached unto every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people." (D&C 133:37)

**Primary** 

We would like to congratulate Jocelyn Hauber and Christian McLeskey on their baptisms this month. It is great to see the Primary children make such a wonderful decision to become members of the Church and commit to living the gospel. Congratulations!

We would like to thank all of those who helped out in Primary on the second Sunday of the month so that our teachers could go to the training class. In September we will have this class on the third Sunday so if any of you could help out during Primary we would appreciate it.

The Primary Presidency



Choir



The ward choir is on break until October.

### Young Men

**Teachers/Priests:** 

Saturday, September 10

Stake Activity - Hike to Lower Bell Canyon Reservoir -Lunch at Wildflower Park -Meet at the church at 11 a.m.

Wednesday, September 14 Young Men Activity – 7 p.m.

**Wednesday, September 21**Combined Activity – 7 p.m.

**Wednesday, September 28**Young Men Activity – 7 p.m.

## Happy Birthday!!!

#### September 2016

- 2 Bryan Benson
- 3 Jordan North
- 4 Angela Lowder Brandon Smith
- 5 Chris Mounteer Angela Trujillo
- 6 Reiko Hilton
- 7 Edwin McLain Natalie Pickett Sandy Reynolds Joseph Viehweg
- 8 Veronica Trujillo
- 9 Kaden Hatton Merrill Scott Tori Weight
- 10 Michael Jones

10 Jim Moon

11 Lane Clark

- 12 Aaron Hansen Perry Tucker
- 13 Jared Hansen Andrea Marx
- 17 Madison McLeskey
- 18 Carrie Burnett
- 19 Dave Hilton Michael McLeskey Richard Perry Paul Visser
- 21 Ryan Banks Wyatt Kershaw Kathy Plumb Jake Zitzelsberger
- 22 Mary Deming Suzanne Morris

#### Young Women

Wednesday, September 7 Beehive Activity 7 p.m.

Saturday, September 10

Stake activity for 14-18 year olds at 11a.m. Hiking and lunch.

Wednesday, September 14 Etiquette Dinner

Wednesday, September 21 YM/YW Combined Activity

Wednesday, September 28 Personal Progress

We would like to welcome Analisa Edmonds as our camp director and personal progress coordinator. We are very lucky to have her in YW's and can't wait to get to know her better.

- 23 Paul Wightman
- 24 Myrna Christensen Norvell Hofeling Corey Paskett
- 25 Claire Fullmer
- 26 Gay Lin Miyazaki
- 28 Thomas Evans Adam Jones Rachelle Wells
- 29 Georgann Lloyd
- 30 Analisa Edmonds
- 31 Brayden Ellis Nancy Parsons

#### October 2016

1 Mike Killpack

#### 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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Chris and Kathy Machinski

Addiction Recovery Program Missionaries

**Robert and Andrea Marx** 

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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

Joshua Ellis

Leaves December 7th for the Dominican Republic Santo Domingo West Mission