Indian Ridge Ward

January 2017 - Be Doers of the Word

One lesson we learn from the Savior is to be doers of the word and not just hearers. "Doing" means helping the widows, the poor, the sick, single parents, those that mourn and suffer, and more. The organization of Christ's church gives us the best opportunity to do this, through callings, Home Teaching and Visiting Teaching.

Christ taught in Luke 18: 18-22:

- 18 And a certain ruler asked him, saying, Good Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?
- 19 And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? None is good, save one, that is, God.
- 20 Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother.
- 21 And he said, All these have I kept from my youth up.
- 22 Now when Jesus heard these things, he said unto him, Yet lackest thou one thing: sell all that thou hast, and distribute unto the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven, and come, follow me.
- After teaching about the importance of prayer the Savior told us that prayer alone isn't enough. We read in Alma 34: 26-29:
- 26 But this is not all; ye must pour out your souls in your closets, and your secret places, and in your wilderness.
- 27 Yea, and when you do not cry unto the Lord, let your hearts be full, drawn out in prayer unto him continually for your welfare, and also for the welfare of those who are around you.

28 And now behold, my beloved brethren, I say unto you, do not suppose that this is all; for after ye have done all these things, if ye turn away the needy, and the naked, and visit not the sick and afflicted, and impart of your substance, if ye have, to those who stand in need – I say unto you, if ye do not any of these things, behold, your prayer is vain, and availeth you nothing, and ye are as hypocrites who do deny the faith.

29 Therefore, if ye do not remember to be charitable, ye are as dross, which the refiners do cast out, (it being of no worth) and is trodden under foot of men.

Coming unto Christ and following his example of helping others (Good Samaritan) is also one of the best ways to handle your own problems.

To this I witness having experienced and tested it in my own life!

The Bishopric

Primary

Yearly Theme:

Choose the Right

January Theme:

Agency is the Gift to Choose for Ourselves

January Scripture: "Wherefore,

men are free to choose liberty and eternal life, through the great Mediator of all men." (2 Nephi 2:27)

Happy New Year! We are excited for another great year in Primary. This year the theme is Choose the Right.

The Primary Presidency

Relief Society

Happy New Year 2017! How blessed it is to have a new year before us with many new experiences and opportunities and service ahead.

This year in Relief Society our Presidency messages will be taken from "Daughters in My Kingdom". We think it will be wonderful to study the history and work of Relief Society. Our second-and-third-week lessons will be on the life of President Gordon B. Hinckley and our fourth-week lesson will be from recent General Conference talks selected and given to us from our Stake Presidency. Our teachers are amazing and we thank you for all your work and efforts as you teach these important lessons, and for the Spirit and love you bring and share.

Bishop, thank you for your direction and importance about Visiting Teaching to all the sisters last Sunday. Now is the time to rededicate our hearts and make improvements as we bless the sisters in our ward family. It takes all of us and we can all do better! We need each other.

We want to welcome Rob and Gigi Taylor to our ward family. They live on Indian Ridge Drive. We look forward to getting to know you better.

Dates to remember:

January 21 and 22 > Stake Conference

January 26 > Stake Women's Conference will be held at the Stake Center. Amy Williams, one of the survivors of the Cokeville miracle will be the keynote speaker. A light dinner will be served between 6:00-6:45 p.m. with the Conference beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Sunday dress is requested. All sisters 12 and older are invited.

February 26 > Ward Conference

During President Hinckley's ministry, he often spoke of being a little kinder to one another, of following the Savior's directive to "love thy neighbor as thyself".

We thank you again for all of the services and kindnesses shared through the busy month of December as we celebrated our Savior's birth and His example of love.

Congratulations to Kathy Locke on her engagement to Richard Brierley. It's so fun have have such wonderful news!

Love, Kim, Kathi, Shelly, and Charlene

Young Men

The weekly activities for the Teachers and Priests will now be held on Tuesday nights.

Tuesday, January 10 Young Men Activity

Tuesday, January 17
YM/YW Combined Activity
Ice Skating

Tuesday, January 24Young Men Activity

Tuesday, January 31Young Men Activity

Young Women

The weekly activities for the Young Women will now be held on Tuesday nights.

Tuesday, January 10 Personal Progress

Tuesday, January 17
YM/YW Combined Activity
Ice Skating

Thursday, January 26
YW are invited to the
Stake Women's Conference

Tuesday, January 31 New Beginnings



Save the dates for these fun things this Summer!

June 15-17 - Stake Handcart Trek July 5-8 - Girl's Camp July 31-August 4 - Brighton Beehive Camp

A big thanks to all who contributed to the Sub for Santa for the Burmese Refugees in the Columbus Branch in Salt Lake, where Gary or Susan Johnson are serving their mission.

"Again this year, Gary and I along with our Branch Presidency, want to thank you – the generous members of the Indian Ridge Ward – for the gift cards and money donated to the Columbus Branch. Your donations helped make it possible for each family to receive \$50 in gift certificates. What a blessing it is to serve and aid our brothers and sisters. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts."

"We pray the Lord's richest blessings will be yours through out the coming year."

Gary and Susan Johnson

Happy Birthday!!!



January 2017

- 1 Clare Zitzelsberger
- 4 Doris Mendenhall
- 10 Mont Deming Natalie Nielson-Riep
- 12 Jared Evans Manette Murri Zander Olsen
- 14 Reginald Harris Kendon Riep
- 15 Chyrrel Cook Dustin Kramer Brenda Rodgers
- 18 Bobbie Thorne
- 19 Danielle Ellis
- 20 Keila Kershaw Warren Schmidt
- 21 Luke Hauber
- 22 Donna Strong
- 23 Tessa Ellis Kathy Locke
- 24 Chandler Glauser
- 25 Remy Kramer
- 26 Holly Miles
- 31 Mike Mitchell

Family History



Need help finding ancestors to take to the temple?

A New Year!!

Our Stake Presidency and Bishop are giving us a challenge to put **Family History** as a goal for this year. To accommodate this, there will be a Family History Class for Beginners.

Now is your chance to get into **Family Search.org** and become familiar with the Family Tree.

This three-lesson Family History Class will be held during the Sunday School hour (10:20 am – 11:00 am)

- ➤ 5th Sunday in January (29th)
- ➤ 3rd Sunday in February (19th)
- ➤ 3rd Sunday in March (19th).

Those who have teaching assignments during the second hour, contact your leaders and they can help make it possible for you to attend the Family History Class.

A sign-up sheet will be coming around.

Our Ward Missionaries

Elder David Coleman Lloyd

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Gary and Susan Johnson

Inner City Mission, Columbus Branch

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

Joshua Ellis

Dominican Republic Santo Domingo West Mission

Ward Missionaries:

Robert & Carrie Burnett Jim & Myrna Christensen Richard & Linda Hackett Ryan & Allison Terry

Cub Scouts



We will have Pack Meeting the 4th Wednesday of January, so plan on the 25th for parents and siblings to also attend and have a great time!

High Priests

The new Ward Temple Sealings time is the second Friday of each month at 7 pm. In February and August we will not do sealings due to temple cleaning.

Call Kevin Pasker for additional information at 801-414-0338

Newsletter Submissions

Please submit your contributions for the February newsletter no later than January 31st to dbmahler@velvetshadow.com

Thank you to each person who takes the time to contribute their information for this newsletter every month!