

# Indian Ridge Ward

## January 2019 – Ministering and Missionary Work

In 1975, Elder W. Grant Bangerter said the following in a Conference address:

Five years ago if you had asked, “Who’s the ‘minister’ of your Church?” most of us would have answered, “Oh, the bishop.” Today we can’t give that simple answer because we know that many of the duties have now been shifted over to the elders, where the revelations say they rightfully belong. Now a ward should have at least fifty “ministers” in place of the one we thought of a few years ago.

Now think of the increased power to carry the gospel forward when fifty men do their duty as the bishop has done it in the past.

Add to that 55 ministering sister companionships and imagine the great work that can occur in our ward alone!

Elder Bangerter proceeds to talk about the very real aspect of ministering to the sick through the power and authority of the priesthood, and then says this:

But why limit your testimony to that? Why not as readily send the elders to administer help to a father whose son is about to die spiritually on drugs or alcohol? Why not call on the priesthood to bless a home that is about to die through divorce or transgression? Why not administer through the priesthood to those who love the world more than God?

Why do we blithely say, “We did our home teaching” when half of the families in the Church are in a condition to be “wasted” when the Savior comes because they have not been “sealed up” to eternal life? There is a ministry here for the elders far more extensive than that of laying hands on the sick. A person healed of bodily sickness will eventually become sick again and die. When you administer the gospel, the cure can be permanent.

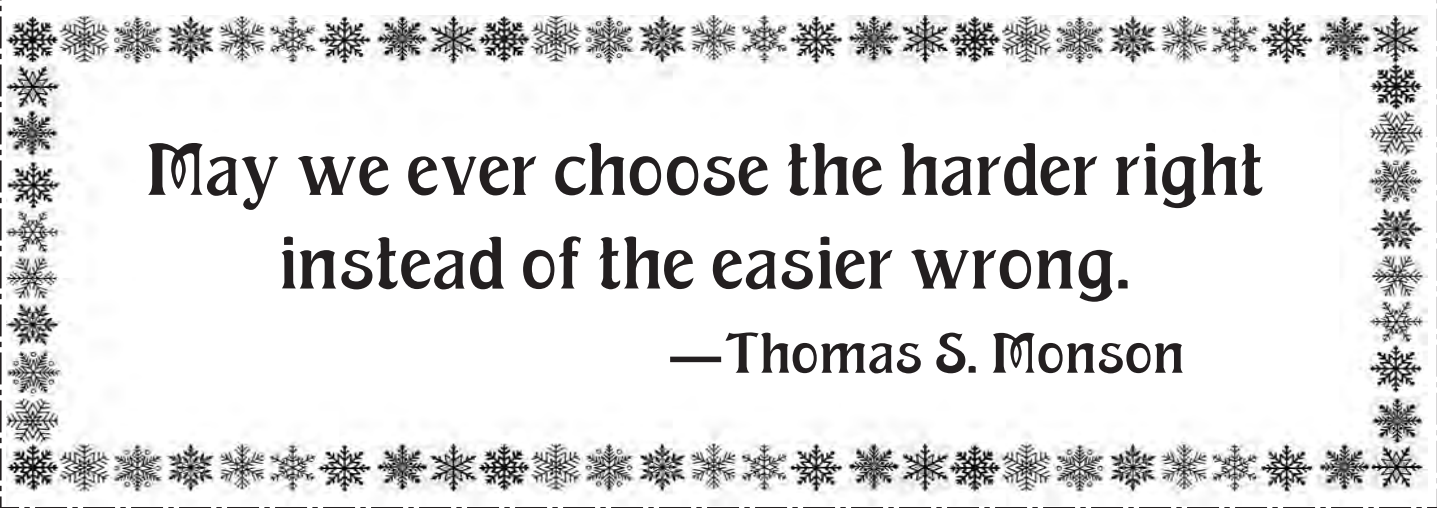
Brothers and sisters, ministering is not reduced home teaching, it is the higher law of home and visiting teaching. President Nelson called it, “A newer, holier approach to caring and ministering to others.” and Elder Eyring said the Lord has called for “greater, more focused caring.” Elder Holland said that “We should mature personally . . . rising above any mechanical function-without-feeling routine to the heartfelt discipleship articulated by the Savior at the conclusion of His earthly ministry, ‘Love one another as I have loved you.’”

Furthermore, Elder Holland suggests that beyond the schedule of regular visits, ministering can be supplemented with telephone calls, written notes, texts, emails, video chats, conversations at church meetings, shared service projects, social activities, and a host of possibilities in the world of social media.

Elder Holland issues this warning, “I warn you, a new name, new flexibility, fewer reports will not make one ounce of difference in our service unless we see this as an invitation to care for one another in a bold, new, holier way.”

I invite each of you that are fourteen or older to recommit to ministering. For inspiration, spend some time at <https://www.lds.org/ministering>. There are many in our ward who could use support, yet don’t know who their ministering brothers and sisters are. As we refocus to a home-centered, church-supported gospel, let us provide that support in the homes of our friends and neighbors by visiting regularly and sharing the gospel.

Love,  
The Indian Ridge Ward Bishopric



**May we ever choose the harder right  
instead of the easier wrong.**

**—Thomas S. Monson**

# Relief Society

Happy New Year all! As we look to a new year, let us remember our Savior, Jesus Christ and His love for all of us and by example how to return to our loving Heavenly Father. As we look forward to the changes and adjustments, let us follow and obey and may our homes be blessed to be more Christ centered.

We want to thank Lori Hanson for many years of service teaching wonderful lessons for us. We wish you well as you teach our Primary children the many beautiful songs. We will miss you. Welcome Shannon Curtis and Deanna Nielsen to our Compassionate Service committee. We appreciate your willingness to serve.

Congratulations to Gigi and Rod Taylor on the birth of their baby Levi, weighing in at 8 lbs 4 oz.

## **Schedule for January:**

**January 6** Sunday School

**January 12-13** Stake Conference

**January 20** Sunday School

**January 27** Relief Society - Pres. Russell M. Nelson's talks - Lynn Jensen

**Please save Thursday, February 21 at 6:30 for Stake Women's Conference.**

Please remember with the new two-hour block that Relief Society will be taught on the second and fourth weeks of the month. Sunday School will be taught on the first and third weeks of the month. These will be taught after a 60-minute Sacrament Meeting.

To better reach all the sisters in all the organizations with upcoming events, we will have a combined information sheet each week for all to take. These sheets will be at both the north and south doors as you enter the chapel for Sacrament Meeting. Be watching for them.

We continue to send our prayers and love to Jude Harris and are thankful he is home from the hospital, and to Claire Fullmer as she bravely continues her treatments. She is so amazing. Also to many others in our ward family who are having some very difficult challenges in their families.

As always thank you for your care and love of each another. Service is truly paramount in our ward family. We are truly blessed as we minister and serve as we follow our Savior, Jesus Christ. We love you.

Love from Kim, Kathi, Shelly and Charlene

## Young Men

**Tuesday, January 1st**  
No Activity - Happy New Year!

**Tuesday, January 8th**  
Combined activity  
Yearly planning

**Thursday January 17th - Saturday  
January 19th:**  
Youth Conference at Aspen  
Grove (for Teachers and Priests)

**Tuesday, January 22nd**  
Quarterly Planning Activity  
(Priests separate from  
Teachers/Deacons)

**Tuesday, January 29th**  
To Be Determined

**Our Young Men are valiant brethren  
in the Priesthood!**

## Young Women

1. **Tuesday, January 8th**  
Yearly planning meeting to plan our  
activities for the year, in the Relief  
Society Room at 7 p.m. Come with  
some ideas for combined activities,  
service activities, and Personal  
Progress ideas too!

2. **Stake Youth Conference**  
January 17- 19th at Aspen Grove.  
Meet at our church Thursday,  
January 17th at 3:15 p.m. to carpool  
up the canyon. The youth are in  
charge of packing sleeping bags,  
pillows, towels, toiletries, warm  
clothing, glove, hats, boots for  
winter activities, PJ's, scriptures and  
journal.

**We are looking forward to a great  
2019 in Young Women!**

**"The only way to get through life is to laugh your way through it. You either  
have to laugh or cry. I prefer to laugh. Crying gives me a headache."  
~ Marjorie Pay Hinckley**



**Relief Society**  
**"Lighten Up" Night**  
**Wednesday, January 16th**  
**7:00 in the Multi-Purpose Room**

**Join us for some good, clean FUN. We'll watch a DVD of a very funny,  
very clean comedian, eat some snacks, (some will even be New Year's  
Resolution compatible), and enjoy one another's company as we  
LOL together!**



# Primary

## Yearly Theme:

New Testament



**Monthly Scriptures:** Matthew 1-2,  
Luke 1-2, John 1

With a new year comes new changes. We are excited to start the Come Follow Me program. All Children will come to the Primary room first for a short opening, then we will have a combined 20-minute singing time. All children will then proceed to classes for the remainder of the time.

**Released:** We are so grateful for all the hard work Jen Johnson put into her calling as music chorister. You could feel her love for the children every week!

**Called:** A big welcome to Lori Hanson as our new chorister, and Maria North has been called as a Primary worker.

**Baptisms:** Paxton Mirci was baptized on December 1st.

## The Primary Presidency



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For Family History help please contact any of the Temple and Family History Consultants. We would be willing to come to your home or have you at ours to help you learn how to find your ancestors, and do the sacred temple work for them.

*They are waiting for your efforts to help them progress.*

## Missionaries

**Randy and Kris Robbins**  
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**Robert and Andrea Marx**  
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at Temple Square

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## Happy Birthday!



### January 2019

- 1 Clare Zitzelsberger
- 9 Morgan Yates
- 12 Kennedy Blutworth  
Manette Murri  
Zander Olsen
- 14 Reginald Harris  
Wendy Capener
- 15 Chyrrel Cook  
Dustin Kramer  
Brenda Rodgers
- 18 Bobbie Thorne
- 19 Danielle Ellis  
Robyn Tuft
- 20 Keila Kershaw  
Warren Schmidt
- 21 Luke Hauber
- 22 Donna Strong
- 23 Tessa Ellis
- 24 Chandler Glauser
- 25 Remy Kramer
- 26 Jordan Capener  
Holly Miles
- 30 Elijah Blutworth
- 31 Mike Mitchell



### February 2019

- 1 Diana Edmonds
- 3 Jay Nielsen