# Indian Ridge Ward November 2019 – Joy Comes from Gratitude to the Lord

### The key to happiness is to develop the habit of gratitude.

Gordon T. Watts of the Seventy described how "as a young boy, life on our small family farm was heaven. Often in our humble home there were not as many shingles as we had roof. The rest-room facility was connected by a long path that required some advance planning, and sometimes my worn shirt had more buttonholes than buttons. The Saturday night bath in front of a warm stove, where your body experienced both extremes in temperature, was a luxury.

"Then something changed."

He started school and noticed that his classmates had possessions that he had not known. Some had nice clothing, beautiful homes with all the modern conveniences, and drove newer automobiles. Many were not required to work as hard as he did. He said:

"While they were popular and confident, I became backward and shy. Regretfully, I began to forget how happy I had been with my basket of blessings as I indulged in comparing their seemingly endless bushels to mine.... The expectation that more is deserved can cause our plate of plenty to appear empty. Gratitude has many faces and takes on many forms. Failure to recognize the Lord for all we have will soon result in selfish behavior.

## "Joy and happiness are born of gratitude."

He went on to say:

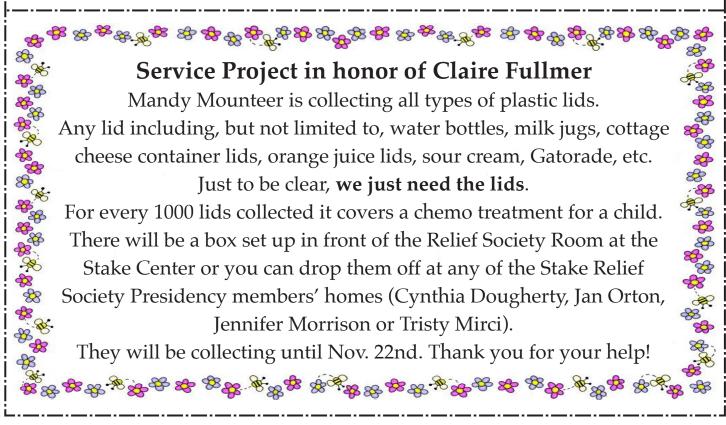
"Recently Sister Watts and I spent three years in another part of the world working with a very kind and gracious people. If worldly possessions equated to happiness, the majority of these Saints would be unhappy. Quite the contrary, gratitude abounds, resulting in a contagious display of rejoicing. It is evident that even though they live in a challenging environment with few advantages, they are a delightful people."

Sister Bonnie D. Parkin, who served as General Relief Society President has said:

"Mercies and blessings come in different forms – sometimes as hard things. Yet the Lord said, 'Thou shalt thank the Lord thy God in all things.' All things means just that: good things, difficult things – not just some things. He has commanded us to be grateful because He knows being grateful will make us happy. This is another evidence of His love."

During this Thanksgiving season, may we all seek to be grateful for everything we experience, knowing that our Father in Heaven has promised us that if we accept all our blessings and challenges with faith in the Savior, we will find true joy.

> Love, The Indian Ridge Bishopric



# **Relief Society**

"There's nobody exactly like you, and if you're bold enough to inquire, I believe you'll be swamped with impressions about your purpose – more than you ever thought possible." (Sister Eubank, October 2019 Ensign)

Happy November! It feels fitting to kick off the month by thanking you for all of the service and love you poured into the Care Center with us in October and with Claire Fullmer's funeral. We so appreciate all the good you have done and continue to do.

With regular changes happening in ministering assignments, we ask that you regularly sync the LDS Tools app on your phone. Once it has been updated, you can find your own name in the directory and see your current assignment. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask anyone in the Presidency. We would love to help!

# Please save the date! December 11th will be our Relief Society Christmas Party and we definitely want to have you there with us.

More details will be coming soon.

Our next Relief Society lesson (on November 10th) will be on President Nelson's talk, "Spiritual Treasures," from the Women's Session of General Conference. In this talk, he invited us to study three sections from the **Doctrine & Covenants, sections 25, 84, and 107**. Please take some time to study his talk and these sections for our discussion. We're so excited to learn from your study experiences!

Our November 24th lesson will be on Elder Eyring's Women's Session talk, "Covenant Women in Partnership with God."

Love, Susan, Natalie, Chyrrel and Marilyn

## Young Men

**Tuesday, November 5th** World Premier of Spooky Film

**Tuesday, November 12th** Pickleball

**Tuesday, November 19th** Combined YM/YW activity Scripture role play

**Tuesday, November 26th** Baptisms for the dead

Our Young Men are valiant brethren in the Priesthood!

We may wonder how best to serve, but the Lord knows and, through His Spirit, we will be directed in our efforts."
Bishop W. Christopher Waddell

# Young Women

**Tuesday, November 5th** Personal Progress and Service

Tuesday, November 12th Combined YW activity

**Tuesday, November 19th** Combined YM/YW activity Scripture role play

**Tuesday, November 26th** Baptisms for the dead

We are excited to welcome Nicole Miles as our new Young Women's President. Thank you Shawna Zitzelsburger for your past years of service!!

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<b>3</b>	Carol Huckabee	set.	
30%	(Care Center)	set.	
	Sharon Brinker		
	(Care Center)	×	
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# FamilySearch

Russ Messerly - 801-792-4826 Gina Messerly - 801-300-6529 Chris Duffy - 801-259-7156 Oriana Reyes - 385-445-3194 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.

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They are waiting for your efforts to help them progress.

# Primary

Yearly Theme: New Testament

#### **November Scripture:**

James 1:5-6

"If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask

in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed."

\*\* How do we ask God questions? How does He answer us?

\*\* We should use our tongues to say sweet (or kind) things. What are some examples of nice things we can say to others?

\*\* How can we follow Joseph Smith's example when we have questions?

Songs we are working on in November:

"Search, Ponder, and Pray"	Children's Songbook # 109
"Tell Me, Dear Lord"	Children's Songbook # 176
"Kindness Begins with Me"	Children's Songbook # 145

#### Announcement:

The children's Sacrament Meeting presentation is coming on November 17th. Please help your child be prepared with their individual parts. We will be practicing during the second hour on Sunday the 3rd and 10th. Saturday morning the 16th, from 10:00 - 11:15 will be our final practice and pizza party. We are so excited for the children to present their thoughts.

#### **Baptisms:**

We are thrilled to welcome our three newly-baptized members of the primary: Hannah Allred, Wyatt Kershaw, and Xander Zitzelsberger

These three children were baptized on Saturday, November 2nd, with their families gathered together. We are proud of your choice to be baptized.

The Primary Presidency



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1 Hannah Allred Mazie Allred **Brooke Edmonds** 2 Richard Haight 3 Judith Arlt 5 John Allred Debra Hawkins John Mahler Ava Pickering 6 Shirley Clark 7 Richard Clayton Kathleen Harris 9 Bonnie Ellis Pete Rakell 10 Sherilyn Rex 11 Louden Pete **Charles Schmitt** 12 Paxton Mirci 13 Kari Williams 14 Isaac Miles Izabela Pete Elizabeth Rawlings John Scott 16 Morgan Miller Annette Webster 17 Barbara Kinsley 19 Shannon Curtis 20 Myla Millard 21 Zinedine Mouti 22 Mandy Mounteer 24 Juliette Bradley 25 Shannon Bludworth 28 Lillian Allred Carol Huckabee **Robert Burnett** Brooklyn Glauser 30 Tracy Huck Jack Nydegger Abigail Warr