

# Indian Ridge Ward

February 2022 – Faith is Knowing

Elder David A. Bednar shared a tender story of a young married man (John) who had cancer and wanted to be healed through a combination of his faith, his wife’s faith, and an Apostle’s faith. Elder Bednar shared this poignant moment:

“John asked if I would give him a priesthood blessing. I responded that I gladly would give such a blessing, but I first needed to ask some questions. I then posed questions I had not planned to ask and had never previously considered: John, do you have the faith not to be healed? If it is the will of our Heavenly Father that you are transferred by death in your youth to the spirit world to continue your ministry, do you have the faith to submit to His will and not be healed?”

Elder Bednar continued:

“We recognized a principle that applies to every devoted disciple: strong faith in the Savior is submissively accepting of His will and timing in our lives—even if the outcome is not what we hoped for or wanted.”



>Full talk can be found at: <https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/study/ensign/2016/08/accepting-the-lords-will-and-timing?lang=eng>

A few thoughts on faith:

Faith, no matter how great, does not spare us from adversity.  
And being “healed” does not always mean what we want it to mean.  
The Lord’s definition of healing may be different than ours.

“Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.” Hebrews 11:1

When you are desperate to feel the presence of God but are unable to do so, rely on the promises of the scriptures and your past faith experiences to give you strength.

Primary song:

Faith is knowing the sun will rise, lighting each new day.

Faith is knowing the Lord will hear my prayers each time I pray.

Faith is like a little seed: If planted, it will grow.

Faith is a swelling within my heart. When I do right, I know.

Faith is trust in God above.

Faith is trusting God despite being uncomfortable with certain aspects of church history.

I testify and know that God lives, His Son Jesus Christ is our Savior, and His inspired words are found in the Bible and in the Book of Mormon. Let's increase our faith by reading these scriptures. Keep your faith. And then share it with others. We can do it! We love you!

The Bishopric



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.***

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# Relief Society



## Happy Valentine's Day!

Again we want to express our deepest gratitude to you all for your willingness to share of your time and talents!

It is amazing to see the service you render to family, friends, and neighbors. Thank you!

## How We Can Access the Power of the Temple during COVID-19

Limited access doesn't change the impact the temple can have in our lives

by Elder Dale G. Renlund of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles

“Although our access to the temple right now is limited, it doesn't change the impact that the temple can have on us in our lives.

Through our covenants and ordinances, we have access to the power of godliness in our lives—no matter our circumstances.

That power of godliness comes because we've entered into a covenant that's been part of an ordinance. And as we keep that covenant, then the power of godliness can be in our lives.

When we go to the temple, we don't renew our covenants as we do proxy temple work. Rather, we are reminded of the covenants that we once made. It's by keeping those covenants that we access the power of godliness in our lives—whether we're able to physically go to the temple or not. We should not limit the ability of God to invoke the power of godliness in our lives. Our ability to access the power of godliness depends on us keeping the covenants we've made with Him.

Until our temples fully reopen, I pray that we can keep our covenants and, by doing so, access the power of godliness in our everyday lives.”

Let's make the temple a priority in our lives. We would like to set up some temple outings for initiatory and endowments.

If you would like to car pool or need a ride or help making reservations, contact **Margie 801-599-3586** or

**Marilynn Hampton 801-201-9484.**

Sisters we love you and are grateful for all you do!

Kristen, Margie, Deanna and Marilynn



February 22, 2022

Dear Ward Leaders:

As we begin the new year, we are preparing for a fresh round of Self Reliance Courses to help the members of our Stake meet life's challenges in areas of temporal, spiritual and emotional self-reliance by applying principles and adopting practices to assist us to better depend on the Lord and personal revelation in key areas. Many members took advantage of courses last Fall and many others expressed interest in additional opportunities to do so. We wish again to focus on three of these areas in the upcoming round of courses:

***Personal Finances; Starting and Growing My Business; and Emotional Resilience***

Please help in circulating this information to all within your ward boundaries. Take advantage of the resources available to your ward, quorum and Relief Society leaders through newsletters and ward ministers to invite/encourage broad participation.

***Those interested are invited to join in a special (and short) meeting in the Relief Society Room at the Stake Center at 3:30 on Sunday afternoon, February 13 to organize groups, with the goal to begin courses as soon as possible thereafter.***

Those who may be unable to attend the organizational meeting are invited to provide the following information by email to David and Connie Slaughter, our Stake Self-Reliance Specialists ([SandyEastSelfReliance@gmail.com](mailto:SandyEastSelfReliance@gmail.com)) on or prior to February 13:

- a. Name
  - b. Ward
  - c. Preferred email address and telephone number
  - d. The Group/Course in which each would like to participate
  - e. Weekly availability (day/time). (Weekly courses are generally two hours each, for between ten and twelve weeks, depending on the course.)
1. The Slaughters will assist in forming groups at the February 13 meeting, coordinating times for the group meetings and will appoint and train a group facilitator for each group. All course materials are available on line, but the Stake will provide printed course materials to all group members who prefer to work from the printed page.
  2. Please prayerfully consider those individuals or families in your ward or beyond (including neighbors and friends) who will benefit from greater self-reliance and personally extend an invitation to participate – even to join you! This is a wonderful opportunity to encourage, strengthen, and support others (see D&C 82:18–19).

Thank you for your continued patience and faithfulness. We look forward to supporting the members of our Stake in their continuing strength and growth.

For the Self-Reliance Committee,

President Joel Weight  
Kevin Nelson  
Zachary Call

## Young Men

**Tuesday, February 8** - Young Mens activity night

**Tuesday, February 15** - Food Bank. Meet at 5:30 p.m.

**Saturday, February 26** - Ice fishing with Rex Cook. 8 a.m. -2 p.m.



## Young Women

**All youth 14+ Should sign up for FSY**

(if you have not yet done so - reach out if you need help signing up!)

**Save the dates:**

**FSY at BYU** -with our stake **June 13-17**. If you cannot attend that week you can pick a different week when signing up.

**Girls' Camp - June 28th - July 1st** at Spruces Campground

**Brighton Camp** (for YW born in 2008 and 2009)

**Monday 6/27 - Friday 7/1/22**. On May 1st we can request a separate week to go so that they don't miss our ward Girls Camp

**Tuesday, February 8** - Pom Pom heart wreaths  
(taught by Chloe, Soraya, and Analisa)

**Sunday, February 13** - Megan (Jr class) and Nina (Sr class) teaching.  
BYC for Class presidents at 11:15 a.m.

**Tuesday, February 15** - Utah food bank (YM in charge).  
Need to be there by 6 p.m. so plan on meeting at the church  
sometime shortly after 5 p.m.

**Tuesday, February 22** - Concerto night (Daphne and Shannon)

**Sunday, February 27** - Sister and Patriarch Nyddeger teaching

**Tuesday, March 1** - Sr class and Priests: learn to cook basic college meals with Erika's sister Tori. (Erika and Elana)  
Jr class: need to come up with a separate activity during class presidency meeting (need a youth in charge and Shauna)

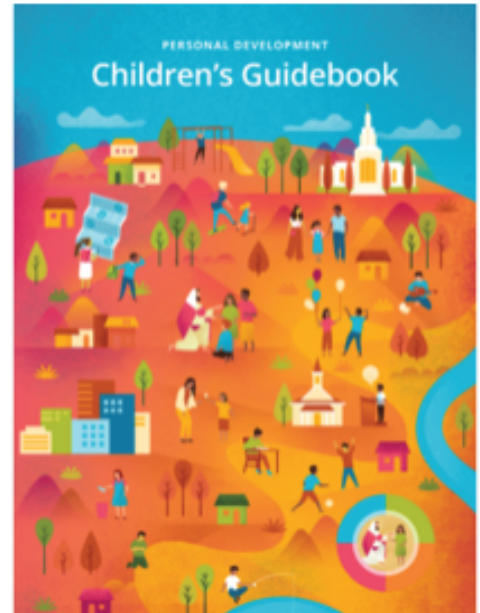
# Primary

**A message for parents of children turning 8-11 in the current year:**

As a presidency, we would like to reintroduce the Primary's **Personal Development Children's Guidebook**. This guidebook can help children as they develop their gifts and follow Jesus Christ through a pattern for growth: Discover, Plan, Act and Reflect. Parents are encouraged to work with their children to help them work through the ideas in the guidebook, or come up with their own, prayerfully and with the help of the Holy Ghost.

The guidebook will focus following the example of Jesus Christ by focusing on growth in four key areas:

- Spiritual, Social,
- Physical and Intellectual
- Each child has received a copy of the guidebook, as well as a ring. They will also receive a picture of the temple in the coming weeks. Together, the ring and the temple make up the 'emblems of belonging'.



Online versions of the [Introductory Guide for Children and Youth](#) and the [Children's Guidebook](#) can be found in the Children and Youth section of the Gospel Library.

Children turning 8-11 are also encouraged to participate in **Primary Activities**. Boys and Girls meet separately during the week, usually twice a month on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> week.

- Primary Activities – Girls: Thursday, 4:30-5:30 pm
- Primary Activities – Boys: Wednesday, 4-5 pm

We are so grateful to you as parents for supporting the children in their attendance to Primary Activities, and helping them with personal development guidebook activities at home. We believe the children will be greatly blessed in their efforts to grow their gifts and talents as they follow Jesus Christ.

- Keila, Kim, Stephanie and Barbara

## February Birthdays:

Diana Edmonds

February 1

Remy Wilson

February 4

Austin Anderson

February 8

Ella Metcalf

February 21

Strider Curtis

February 26

## Full-time Missionaries in our area



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### **A message from our Missionaries:**

February is a great opportunity to gauge your love for others.

Jesus commands in Matthew 22 to "Love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind".

He then commands that, "Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself".

Brothers and Sisters love is one of the foundations of the gospel, it's why we are all here! Our Heavenly Father loves us so much that he provided this earthly opportunity for us to learn and grow.

We can show our love for him by loving others.

Ask yourself how well you know the people around you?

What can you do to show your love?

We challenge all of you to provide Heavenly Father opportunities to work miracles in your life by showing your love for others.

We know that when you do, those miracles will happen and you will be filled with joy.

We love and appreciate all of you,

The Missionaries

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## Happy Birthday!

### February 2022

- 1 Diana Edmonds
- 3 Jay Nielsen
- 4 Remington Wilson
- 5 Ruth Clegg
- 6 Ron Baker
- 8 Austin Anderson
- 9 Ava Anderson  
Stephanie Rigby
- 10 Lindsey Taylor  
Ben Werrett
- 15 Mitchell Coleman
- 16 Brenda Miller
- 20 Jill Benson
- 21 Ella Metcalf  
Kenneth Plumb  
Marie Thompson  
Keesha Wilson
- 23 Lindsay Kramer
- 24 Marilyn Hampton
- 25 Ybhill Anderson  
Loa Avery
- 26 Strider Curtis
- 27 Lee Guest

### March 2022

- 2 Derek Brimley
- 3 Peri Eby  
Erika Weight
- 5 Charree Haislip
- 6 Emmett Fullmer