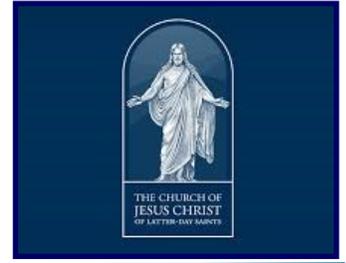




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Bishopric Message

In light of general conference I cannot stop thinking about the petition of striving and learning to hear the Lord in our own lives to be prepared for anything that may come our way. #HearHim. Not only to be physically prepared but spiritually prepared to withstand the storm inside of us and find peace in our hearts through our Redeemer. Some of my thoughts have turned to the Jaredites found in the Book of Mormon in the book of Ether.

In Ether Chapter 2 the Lord commands the brother of Jared to build barges to protect them during their journey to the promise land and coming storm. Not only did the Lord command the brother of Jared to do this but he instructed him how to build them. In Ether 2:16-17 it reads:

16 And the Lord said: Go to work and build, after the manner of barges which ye have hitherto built. And it came to pass the brother of Jared did go to work, and also his brethren, and built barges after the manner which they built, according to the instructions of the Lord. And they were small, and they were light upon the water, even like unto the lightness of a fowl upon the water.

17 And they were built after a manner that they were exceedingly tight, even that they would hold water like unto a dish; and the bottom thereof was tight like unto a dish; and the sides thereof were tight like unto a dish; and the ends thereof were peaked; and the top thereof was tight like unto a dish;

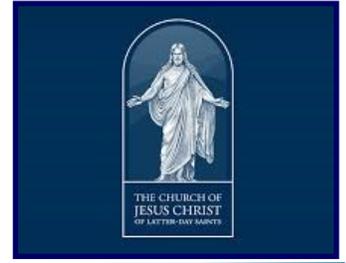
The Lord knew what was ahead for the Jaredites; he had concern for them for this reason he instructed them how to weather the incoming storm.

Brother and Sisters the Lord knows what is ahead for us. We find ourselves in the middle of a storm that has been challenging mentally, physically, and spiritually; however the Lord has not forgotten us. He is also instructing us what to do and how to do it during this time and throughout our lives. Most recently, He has provided for us instruction from His divinely called Prophet and Apostles and the promise that if we strive to hear Him we will. I believe that as we learn to #HearHim we will become tight and light like unto the barges and fend off any impending storm that lies ahead.



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Bishopric Message *(continued)*

One of my favorite scriptures reads the following:

12 And now, my sons, remember, remember that it is upon the rock of our Redeemer, who is Christ, the son on God, that ye must build your foundation; that when the devil shall send forth his mighty winds, yea, his shafts in the whirlwind, yea, when all his hail and his mighty storm shall beat upon you, it shall have no power over you to drag you down to the gulf of misery and endless wo, because of the rock upon which ye are built, which is a sure foundation, a foundation whereon if men build they cannot fall. (Helaman 5:12)

It is my hope and testimony that as we build our foundations upon the rock of our Redeemer we will not fall. I hope that we will continue to have unwavering faith in our Redeemer and everything He stands for and is promised to be and that we learn to hear Him.

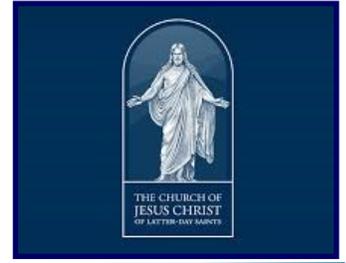
We love you and pray for you and this community, God Speed!

Garden Park Ward Bishopric
Rick Graham
Randy Peterson
Chris Furstenau



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Elders Quorum

Just before departing on my mission, I received a copy of Stand a Little Taller (Gordon B. Hinckley) from my YM leader. It contains words of wisdom for each day of the year. While I don't turn to read from it every day, I have found that when I do, the particular passage for the very day in question is applicable to my current situation. I share with you now the passage dated April 19:

"Doubt Not, Fear Not"

*Look unto me in every thought;
doubt not, fear not.*

-Doctrine And Covenants 6:36

If we will be prayerful, seeking wisdom from God, who is the source of all true wisdom, we shall be blessed as God has promised. Our Father has made explicit covenants with His people. He is in a position to keep those covenants. We have nothing to fear if we stay on the Lord's side.

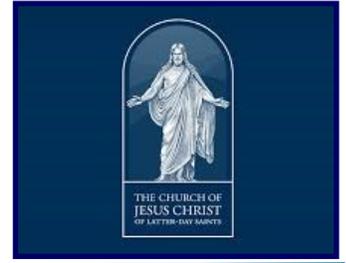
In this time of heightened global tension it is easy to give way to thoughts of fear and desperation, but we in the Elders Quorum Presidency invite you to remember the covenants you have made with the Lord. We invite you to remember all the times in your life thus far that you have seen the Lord bless you as he has promised. If we stay on the Lord's side as we have times past, he will not forsake us now. Pray to the Lord. Reach out to your Bishopric, your Ministers, your brothers and sisters of the Garden Park Ward. We love you and pray for your safety during this trying time.

Tanner Barry



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Relief Society

Announcements

- ◆ Upcoming Welfare Assignments:
 - ◆ Wednesday, May 20th at Bishop's Storehouse 8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. (2 people)
 - ◆ Friday, May 22nd at the Cannery 7:30—11:30 a.m. (5 people)
- ◆ April 26th at 11:00 a.m.
 - ◆ Zoom RS lesson with our new Relief Society Teacher, Emily Lund! We'll be digging deep into "[A Perfect Brightness of Hope](#)" by Elder Jeffrey Holland.
- ◆ The Bonneville Stake Women's Health Conference scheduled for May 16th **has not** been cancelled or postponed. Our very own Missy Taylor will be presenting the last hour on spiritual health!

Service Opportunity

The First Presidency has recently approved, and the Utah Area Presidency supports, a project to sew **5 million** urgently needed medical-grade face masks for health care providers in hospitals and other medical facilities. The Relief Society is a cosponsor of this project, which is a partnership between Latter-day Saint Charities, Intermountain Healthcare, and University of Utah Health.

Ten thousand volunteers per week are needed to sew 100 masks from precut, medical-grade fabric, distributed in kits at selected Deseret Industries stores. This will be repeated for five weeks and begins next Tuesday, April 21.

Those who are available for 10-15 hours during the week and have sewing skills and a sewing machine are invited to sign up!

Registration will be available beginning Friday, April 17. Details and instructions can be found at ProjectProtect.health.

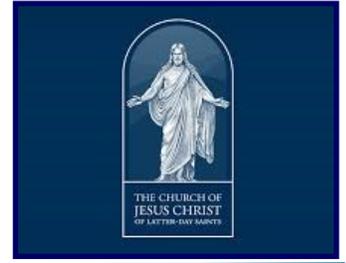
Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for continuing to minister to each other! Many thanks to Judianne for finding the below link for Mental Health Wellness Tips while we continue to quarantine for the safety and protection of our loved ones. We love you and look forward to seeing you soon!

[Mental Health Wellness Tips for Quarantine](#)



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Young Women

****NEXT WEEK'S YW ACTIVITY****

Wednesday, April 22nd at 7:00 p.m.

We will visit with RMs Stephen Bergen & Izzy Vaifo'ou

Hear about their experiences and ask then any questions!

Zoom Meeting info will be sent out next week.

****YW UPDATES****

FSYs postponed until 2021

Stake YW Camp has been rescheduled for August 11-14

****REMINDERS****

—Make sure you have goals set for each of the Youth & Children categories and try to make some progress on them.

—Stay connected with each other. Reach out with a friendly text! Make your friends smile!

—Let any of us know if you need any kind of help. We are still here for you!

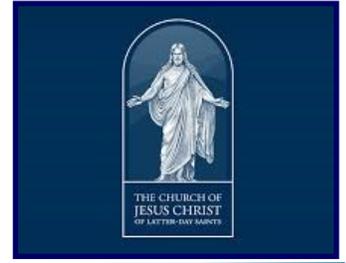
Have a great week! Stay safe!

Love,
GP YW Presidency



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Primary

Let's Go On A Bear Hunt!!



What a beautiful day to find some bears!

Take your binoculars and search windows in the neighborhood for some cute bears waking up and peeking out to you. How many can you find? Which ones are your favorite?

Do you have any bears resting in your home? Wake them up so they can peek out the window and give others a smile.

We aren't scared and we can get through anything together!

We love you and look forward to seeing your bears

Ward Announcements

Sacrament Update: We received this directive this week, ***"Until further notice, priesthood holders should not enter homes of Church members to whom they are not related to administer the sacrament. During this time, members can be blessed by studying the sacrament prayers and recommitting to live the covenants members have made and praying for the day they will receive it in person, properly administered by the priesthood."***

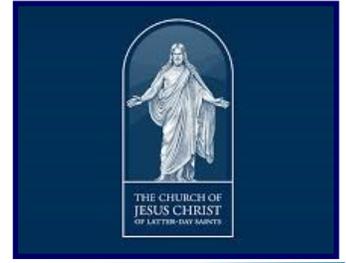
—First Presidency Provides Guidance on How to Administer the Church in Challenging Times

- ◆ Reminder for all ministering brothers and sisters to continue weekly contact and prompt reporting to Relief Society President, Kathy Younker and Elders Quorum President, Doug Bunker.
- ◆ There are many great resources at churchofjesuschrist.org for enlightenment and studying the gospel.
- ◆ A link to the [Restoration Proclamation](#) announced during General Conference is available [here](#).



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★ Happy Birthday ★

April 21—Daniel Bradley
 April 21—Michael Stephens
 April 23—Ellie Anderson
 April 23—Emily Crozier
 April 23—Rick Graham
 April 24—Madison Lechtenberg
 April 25—Tammy Jensen
 April 25—Kenneth Kohler

April 25—Rheim Penman
 April 26—Gunner Longenecker
 April 28—Carrie Gaykowski
 April 29—Jonathan Jensen
 April 29—Mark Earl
 April 29—Emilio Nicoli
 April 30—Darrell Privett

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