

# Green Meadows Ward Newsletter

- September 2021 -

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## **Bishopric**

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

This summer we celebrated Armed Forces Day where we honor those who are currently serving our country as active or reserve members of the military. Then along came Memorial Day. Since I've lived in Utah I've learned that this day has a very different connotation here than in most of the rest of the country which is fine but the day was based on the idea of remembering those who gave their lives in the service of our nation. A day of memory and memorial for those having fallen while defending our freedoms. Then we celebrated Flag Day....and this is where we honor the symbol of our liberty. President Benson once stated that he was confident that when the Savior appeared once again the Stars and Stripes would still be flying over the Promised Land of America. Personally, I like that image in my mind. About two weeks after that we come to Independence Day. The day we remember the great act taken on by the signers of the Declaration of Independence stating that we, as a nation, were free. In Doctrine and Covenants Sec 101:80 the Lord tells us, "I established the Constitution of this land by the hands of wise men whom I raised up unto this very purpose, and redeemed the land by the shedding of blood." We were meant to be free! I love that time of year as all these patriotic days fall one right after the other and it makes me happy to realize that I am so fortunate to be an American.

Now, what was all the purpose of this? Why should we have these feelings of joy over our liberty? What is the purpose of our nation??? It's actually very simply understood by we members of the Church if we will but open our eyes. The Lord prepared a nation where the freedom would exist for the gospel to be restored in the latter days. It could not have happened anywhere else. The golden plates were here....in New York. Zion is to be built here....in Missouri. The great temple seen by Isaiah in vision was to be here....in Salt Lake City. This is one of the two lands that the Lord Himself will return to, the other being Israel of old. How blessed are we to be Americans? And American Saints on top of that!!

June marked the 77th anniversary of the landings at Normandy during WWII. I saw a photo showing folks enjoying a beach and just beneath it a photo from a landing craft at Omaha Beach. The caption said, "Your day at the beach brought to you by THEIR day at the beach". Thousands died that day seeking to overcome evil and bring freedom again to the world. We owe them an eternal debt. And along with that we need to constantly remember that our Savior did an even greater thing in giving us the gift of the atonement...where our potential day in the Celestial Kingdom was brought to us by His day in Gethsemane, on the cross at Calvary and at the Garden Tomb when He arose triumphant. May we always reverence Him for His sacrifice and may we always remember our heroes for theirs.

Bob McKoy

## **Announcements**

- We have a cannery assignment on September 10th. We still need slots filled for the 6am - 10am and 8pm - 12am shifts. If you can possibly help out please do.
- Parents of young men and young women, please note that our youth night will be moving from Tuesday evenings to Wednesdays. We'll still meet at 6:30.

- **September 18th - ward baseball game at 10:00 am at the church field at 2400 W. 2200 S. Logan. Everyone is welcome to come out and play.**
- Information on meeting times, the zoom meeting links, etc. can be found on our unofficial ward website: [www.logangreenmeadows.org](http://www.logangreenmeadows.org)

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## **Relief Society**

Hello Sisters! Here are the upcoming lessons and the activity we have planned for September! We hope everyone can make it to the activity. It's a time we can get to know each other and bond as sisters!

Also, here's a friendly reminder to check in on your ministering sisters. It might be a great opportunity to invite them to the activity on the 23rd. We will start doing ministering interviews here in the next few weeks. Can't wait to be with all of you soon. ❤️

## **Lesson Schedule**

September 12- Hearts Knit Together- Gary E. Stevenson

September 26 - Not as the World Giveth- Jeffery R. Holland

## **Activities**

Thursday, September 23 @ 6:30- Relief Society Activity

Dinner will be served and a nursery will be provided.

Our activities committee has planned a super fun evening. They will have a delicious meal for us, and we will be signing up for small group activities to join. It should be a lot of fun so tell your neighbors and ministering sisters.

## **Birthdays**

September 2 -Janan Esplin

September 10- Suzette Cherrington

September 12- Marlene Graf

September 14- Jacey Traveller

September 24- Michelle Lindsley

September 27- Kim Miller

September 29- Paula Mathews

September 30- Margaret Christensen

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## **Elder's Quorum**

Brethren,

September is here already? What happened to April, May, June, July and August? The times are sure going by fast brethren and I hope that all is well in each of your households. We've had Covid go through the family again as it hit Ryan, Sarah and their children. They are doing well and relying upon family to take care of them for the time being.

It seems as if the days are getting shorter as it is with the time in our lives. As I get older, and besides Family and the Church, time is my most valued commodity. Regarding time, we've been focusing on listening to/reading the recent general conference talks and trying to hear what is both obvious and what

is written between the lines for each of us. Doing so has helped us to focus and organize based on physical, mental, and spiritual goals. It is quite an undertaking and has required much change in our lives, both small and big. The messages we are receiving, at least for our family, is to enjoy life each and every day and stay focused on our family (including our Ward Family). But we also need to prepare physically, mentally, and spiritually for the end of days.

My personal prayers for the Ward Family are focused on those Brothers and Sisters who are on opposite ends of this thought of preparation. It is with those who don't care and then those who think they are all prepared, for they are both in the same boat called the Titanic! As Servants to a Loving Heavenly Father, we will likely never be fully prepared, for when our own home is satisfied, we should be reaching out to those who still need lifting up- it is a lifetime of loving work!

These are just some of the thoughts that I have as Elders Quorum President and I do also want to testify of Jesus Christ! I often wonder what he sees in me as a man, a father, a son, and a child of God. I am thankful for our brother and all that he has sacrificed so that you and I might even have a glimpse of our Father in Heaven. Gaining a Testimony of Jesus Christ was one of the greatest gifts in life (my wife and children are a close second!). I know He lives and He will be with us soon. Perhaps sooner than we think!

We sincerely love you Brethren and hope all is well. Should you need anything please don't hesitate to contact someone, one of us in the Elders Quorum Presidency. We are here for you and your families.

Brother Ercanbrack, Brother Moore and Brother Jess

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## **Young Women**

### Birthdays:

September 12th- Marlene

September 13th- Ellie

September 20th- Emery

September 21st- Tessa

September 24th- Michelle

### Activities:

September 8th: Gather supplies for Primary Children's Hospital cancer unit in honor of Childhood cancer awareness month. Meet at the church @6:30

September 15th: Learn to jump rope

September 22nd: Combined YW/YM- YM in charge at 6:30

September 29th: Geocaching

### Meetings/Firesides:

September 12th: Preach My Gospel @3:30

September 19th: Ward Youth Council for class presidents @10:00

September 19th: Ward Youth Activity/Bishop's chat at the Arey's home @6:30

Sept. 23rd @6:30: The Relief Society needs 4-6 girls to volunteer to run nursery during their activity

### Lessons:

September 12th: Sis. Martinez, the stake YW President

September 19th: Why is it important that priesthood keys are on Earth today? Taught by Maren & Brinlie

Spiritual thought:

“As we strive to grow and progress, we too can receive “grace for grace.” When life becomes overwhelming, we may think that God has abandoned us. However, we can find peace and comfort in the truth that God the Father and our Savior, Jesus Christ, are aware of us and know how to help us through our trials. Believing in Jesus Christ does not mean that mortal challenges will cease to exist, but we do believe that the Lord can give us strength to meet our challenges as we strive to be more like Him.” (Sheldon Martin- August 2021 Liahona)

ACTIVITIES START ON WEDNESDAYS FROM HERE ON OUT!!!

Please join Remind (@greenyw20) and our circles on the Gospel Living app

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## **Young Men**

### **YM Sunday Lesson Schedule**

Sept 12th - The Stake will be teaching this lesson

Sept 26th - Why is it Important the Priesthood Keys are on Earth Today?

### **Deacons/Teachers Activity Schedule:**

Sept 8th - egg drop challenge

Sept 15th - BBQ at Brother Adam's house

Sept. 19 (Sun) - Ward youth night at 6:30 at Arey's house

Sept 22nd -YM/YW combined activity, Corn Maze

Sept 29th - conference prep activity with food

Oct 6th - bowling

### **Priests Activity Schedule: (activities are now on Wednesdays!)**

Sept 8th (Wed) - egg drop challenge

Sept 15th (Wed) - Skeet shooting at gun range

Sept 18th (Sat) - ward baseball game at 10:00 am at the church field at 2400 W. 2200 S. Logan

Sept. 19 (Sun) - Ward youth night at 6:30 at Arey's house

Sept 22nd (Wed) - YM/YW combined activity, Corn Maze

Sept 29th - Car Maintenance activity (Learn to change oil, filters, etc..)

Oct 6th - tour landfill

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## **Primary**

Have you ever felt worried or upset? Jesus knows how you feel, and He can help you! In this month's Friend magazine, you can read about how Jesus calmed a big storm; then you can do an activity to help you feel peace. You can also find lyrics to the song "[Peace in Christ](#)."

## **Announcements:**

- **Baptisms:** September 11<sup>th</sup>... 10:00 Julia Ward
- **Birthdays:** Taft Geldmacher (September 1), Tanner Jess (September 1), Emma Clayton (September 8), Josiah Humphries (September 16), Olivia & Peyton Allen (September 21), Connor McKinnon (September 26)
- **Helping Hands Challenge:** I can invite someone to join me as I help others.
- **Printable Coloring Page:** [The Temple is a Holy Place](#)
- **Friend Magazine:** [Peace in Christ](#)
- **Singing Time:** [2021 music list](#)
- [Printable reading chart for 2021](#)
- Doctrine & Covenants Reading Challenge: [These verses](#) go along with the *Come, Follow Me* lessons each week in 2021. The list is great because it's tailored specifically for Primary and it only focuses on a few verses a week.
- [The Children Section](#) of the Gospel Library app
- [Doctrine & Covenants coloring book](#) (printable pages)
- For anyone interested, the Friend magazine is inviting children to participate in learning the [Articles of Faith](#) this year.

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## **Sunday School**

Gospel Doctrine: Meets in the chapel

Youth:

12, 13: Room closest to Mother's lounge

14, 15: Room next to the kitchen and bathroom

16: Room next to the Foyer

17: Room next to the Foyer

Sunday school lesson schedule:

September 5 - Doctrine and Covenants 94-97

September 19 - Doctrine and Covenants 102-105