Bishopric Message-Jeff Child

I have really loved studying the Doctrine and Covenants and the history of the church this year. I have a greater appreciation for those early Saints who had to figure out how to form a church, interpret scripture, support the church financially, spread the gospel, and understand principles of authority and revelation, all while enduring strong opposition and persecution. I try to put myself in their position and I wonder if I would have been able to hear and receive that inspiration.

The truth is that we are all facing questions that impact our personal lives and futures every single day. Those decisions are made challenging

because the world is so loud and we're often met with opposition. We face decisions, both large and small, every day that "we believe" just might have lasting consequences for us or others around us. These aren't necessarily decisions between right and wrong, or righteousness and wickedness, but those of "should I turn left, or right?" We often hear stories of missionaries being guided to find "the one." The stories are inspiring and good. I have personally experienced those miracles and hold them dear. As good as those experiences are, however, I don't believe that they are the norm, and that is okay!

It's easy for those of us who strive to please God and make every decision perfectly led by the Holy Ghost to feel paralyzed by the fear of not hearing the promptings clearly. What if we choose the wrong college to attend, or take the wrong job offer, or move into the wrong apartment? What if our eternal companion attends the other college, or we get laid off from the company we choose to work for? Understanding how we can receive answers to prayers is essential, but it is also simpler than we make it out to be.

Heavenly Father and Jesus Christ want us to succeed and progress in life. I believe they are always there for us. One of their greatest gifts to us is the gift of agency, and they want us to use it! The trick is to use our agency while involving God in everything we do. We might receive specific inspiration before we move, but most of the time we need to move first, basing our direction on righteous principles and motivations. This is faith in action. God can only guide us if we are moving forward, and I testify that if we are striving to keep our covenants and repenting through the atonement of Jesus Christ when we fall short, which is constantly, He will tell us when we might be heading in the wrong direction. Through Jesus Christ we can move forward in faith and confidence, even when the path is dark, because we can know that He has already walked that path before and He will never leave us alone.

What's Happening in June

Happy Birthday

- 1 Elliott, Case
- 1 Peterson, Mandi
- 2 Mascherino, Mike
- 3 Brown, Ben
- 4 Warren, Micah
- 6 Andrade, Kimberly
- 7 Simms, Kipp
- 8 McMillan, Brooklyn
- 10 Jeppsen, Annika
- 12 Anderson, Diezel
- 13 Hackley, Desiree
- 14 Knudson, Steve
- 14 Pond, Bryan
- 14 Pond, Hank
- 16 Keyting, Dennis
- 16 Mangum, Thomas
- 16 Richardson, Heidi
- 17 Ashcroft, Tyler
- 18 Neiswender, Steve
- 18 Rindlisbacher, Taylor

- 19 Johnson, Jane
- 20 Christensen, Ashlyn
- 20 Derbidge, Marlene
- 20 Libertini, Taycia
- 21 Mendenhall, Megan
- 21 Presley, Nick
- 21 Sellers, Spencer
- 22 Shepard, Jace
- 23 Knight, Sam
- 23 Knudson, Adele
- 24 Nelson, Rob
- 26 Hart, Aliyah
- 26 Mascherino, Connie
- 26 Steed, Tara
- 27 Abeyta, Dianne
- 28 Gaydon, Donna
- 29 Ashcroft, Jacque
- 29 Thorup, Kylee
- 30 Horne, Jane

Young Women

Here we are to the end of another school year and our sweet young women have all been such a blessing to one another as we come upon the summer and as we come upon a time to say goodbye to our graduating senior, Verene Huang. There is no one quite like Verene, and from the first day Verene moved into our ward and joined our Young Women program, she has been a light and a source of joy and happiness and laughter. We have learned so much from her wisdom and from her experiences, and we know that she will continue to share her light and spread joy to all those around her. Verene, we love you and will miss you deeply!

I've had a wonderful month of May. We helped canvas the neighborhood to raise money for our camp by helping people purchase flags. We also had a fun night playing Just Dance together and sitting around talking.

We loved joining the Relief Society at Kari Child's home to learn how to make sourdough bread.

We are looking forward to Girls Camp coming up in June and are so grateful for those leaders who are putting that together for us.

Primary

This month in primary, we had a special visit from the bishop, and the kids did an amazing job singing in sacrament meeting for Mother's Day.

We're thrilled to have Jen Murray as a new primary teacher and Joel Manwaring as our new Activity Days leader.

Can you believe summer is almost here? We

hope the kids had an incredible school year. Mark your calendars for June 16 – that's the day for all Activity Days boys and girls to join us at Camp Tracy.



Relief Society

In May, the Relief Society sisters enjoyed a sourdough bread making demonstration presented by Kari Child in her home. We are so grateful for Kari's willingness to share her experience and knowledge with us ... and the delicious food and bread starters!







Also in May, the Relief Society sisters, along with other adult ward members, had the opportunity to receive CPR training. Thank you to those who provided this great opportunity and to those who participated.



Mini Activity—See the flyer at the back of the newsletter

Tuesday, June 17 7 p.m. Garden Gathering at Arlene Michaelson's

Lesson Schedule for June

8 Confidence in the Presence of God22 Compensating Blessings

President Russel M. Nelson Elder Gerald Gausse

Sunday afternoon Sunday morning



Meetinghouse Cleaning Assigments

6/7	Arlene Michaelson	John and Shauna	Jeff and Sharon	Matt and
		Nelson	Jensen	Micah Warren
6/14	Doug and LeAuna	Brian and Tiffany	Whitney and	David LaBau`
	Brown	Fedderson	Cora Young	
6/21	Nicole Jensen	Richard and	Paul and Jodi	
		Mandy Seiger	Holman	
6/28	Joah and Kim	Jennifer and Todd	Searle Family	Bill and Julie
	Elliott	Murray	-	Tisdale

This year we have the great responsibility of cleaning the Brownstone meetinghouse. Please see the list above for when you or your family are assigned to clean the building.

Meet at the north end of the building by the drinking fountain on your assigned Saturday at 8 a.m.

If you cannot participate during your assigned time, please find a replacement.

Click <u>here</u> to see your assignments for the entire year. This is also a great resource for finding someone to trade with if you need a replacement for your week.

Thank you for your service.

Meetinghouse Lockup Assigments

6/1–7	Richard Seiger and Steve Gowdy
6/8–14	Jeff Abeyta and Adam McMillan
6/15–21	Damon Anderson and Kage Mendenhall
6/22–29	Adam Bullough and Thomas Seiger
6/30–7/5	Brad Goudie

We have the assignment to lock up the building each night.

- 1. Please lock up between 9:30 and 10 p.m.
- 2. Close all inside doors and lock outside doors, including the kitchen door.
- 3. Check all windows.
- 4. Turn off All lights out except for east and west foyer lights. Ignore exterior lights, which are on a timer.



5. Secure both parking lot chains—except Monday night, when you need to leave the north chain down so the dumpster company can come in on Tueaday.

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EARLY SUMMER PLANTING

Knowing how to plant and maintain a vegetable garden is an essential preparedness skill.

According to the USU Extension, Northorn Utah's ready for some "tender vegetable" planting:

From seed:

Cantalope
 Lima Bean
 Winter Squash

From plant:

Eggplant
 Pepper
 Pumpkin

Tomato
 Watermelon
 Lettuce (or seed)

https://extension.usu.edu/yardandgarden/research/suggested-vegetable-planting-dates-for-utah



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garden GATHERING:

An evening of snacking & mingling with the 18th Ward Relief Society in Arlene Michaelson's backyard.

TUES, JUNE 17 7:00 PM 6416 GOLDEN CHAIN DR

Bring a chair if you have one.

