



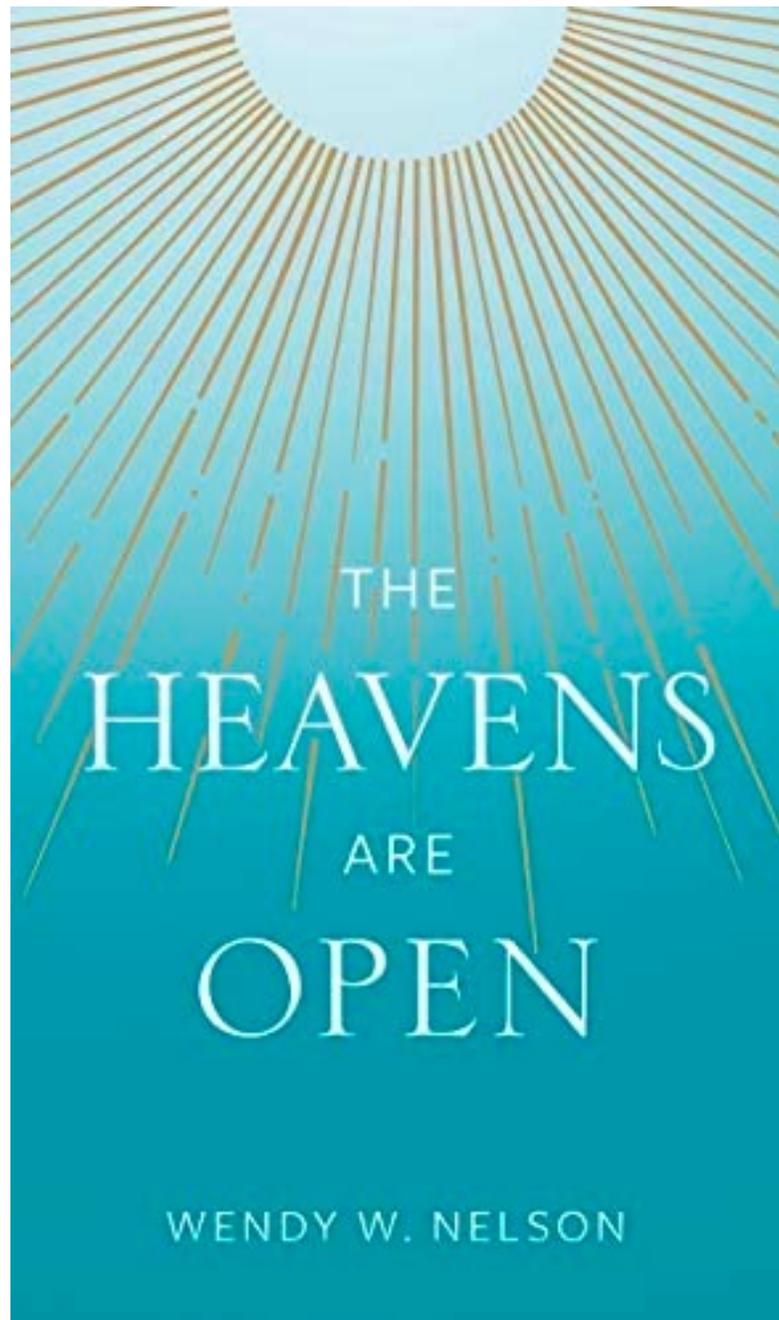
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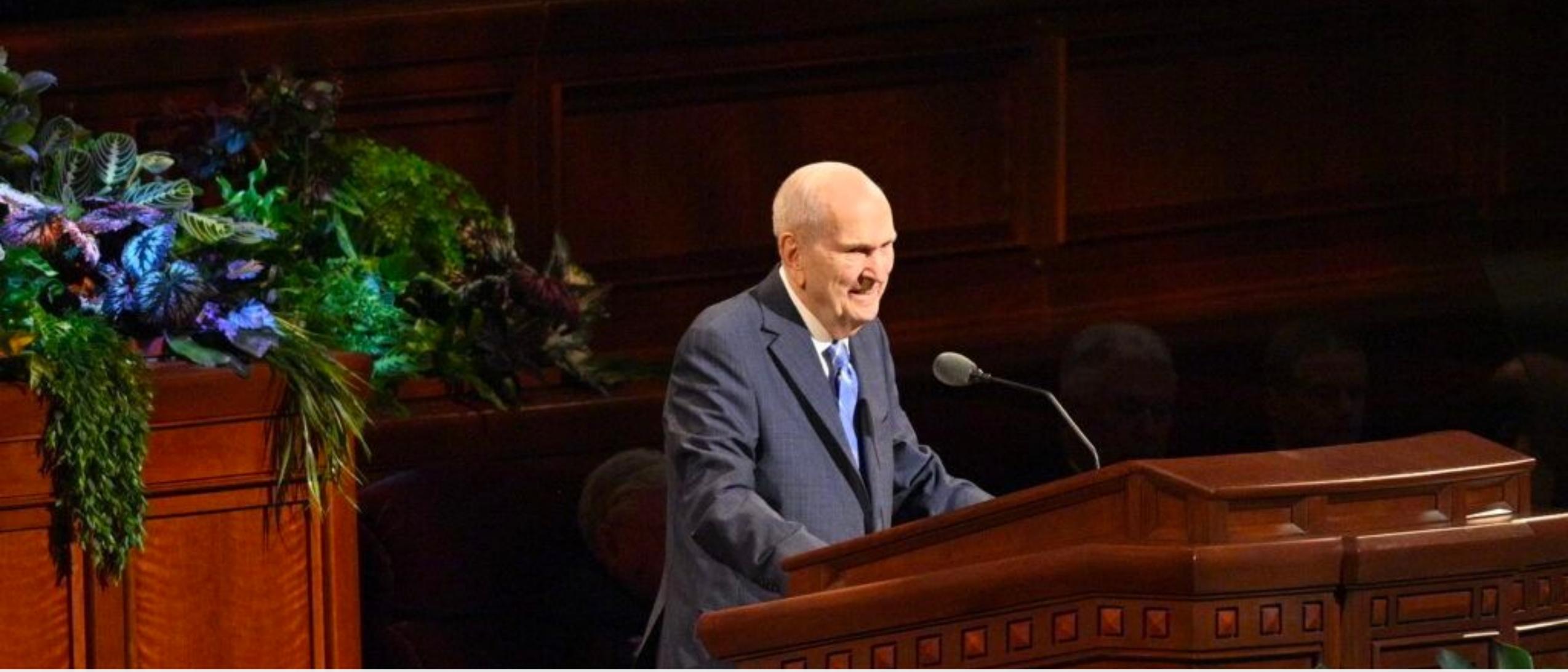
(it's almost over)

Nephi's Psalm:
2 Nephi 4: 16-35

"I will trust in thee forever"







“I plead with you to do all you can to end personal conflicts that are currently raging in your hearts and in your lives.” (April 2022)





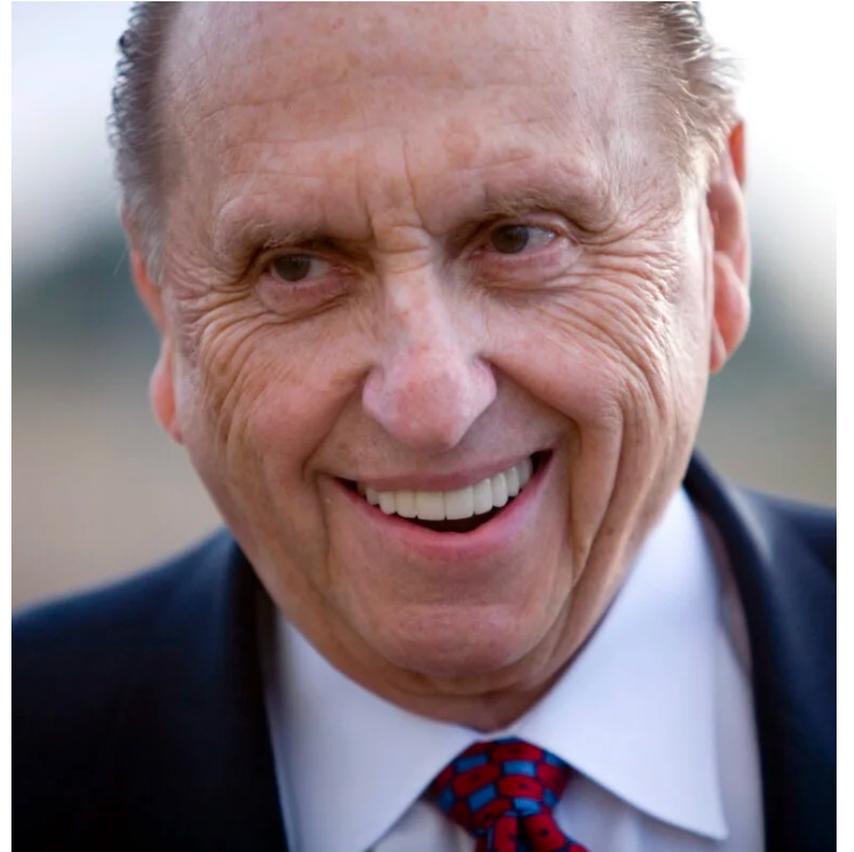


President Monson 1998 *Ensign*:

None of us lives alone—in our city, our nation, or our world. There is no dividing line between our prosperity and our neighbor's poverty.

It is an immutable law that the more you give away, the more you receive.

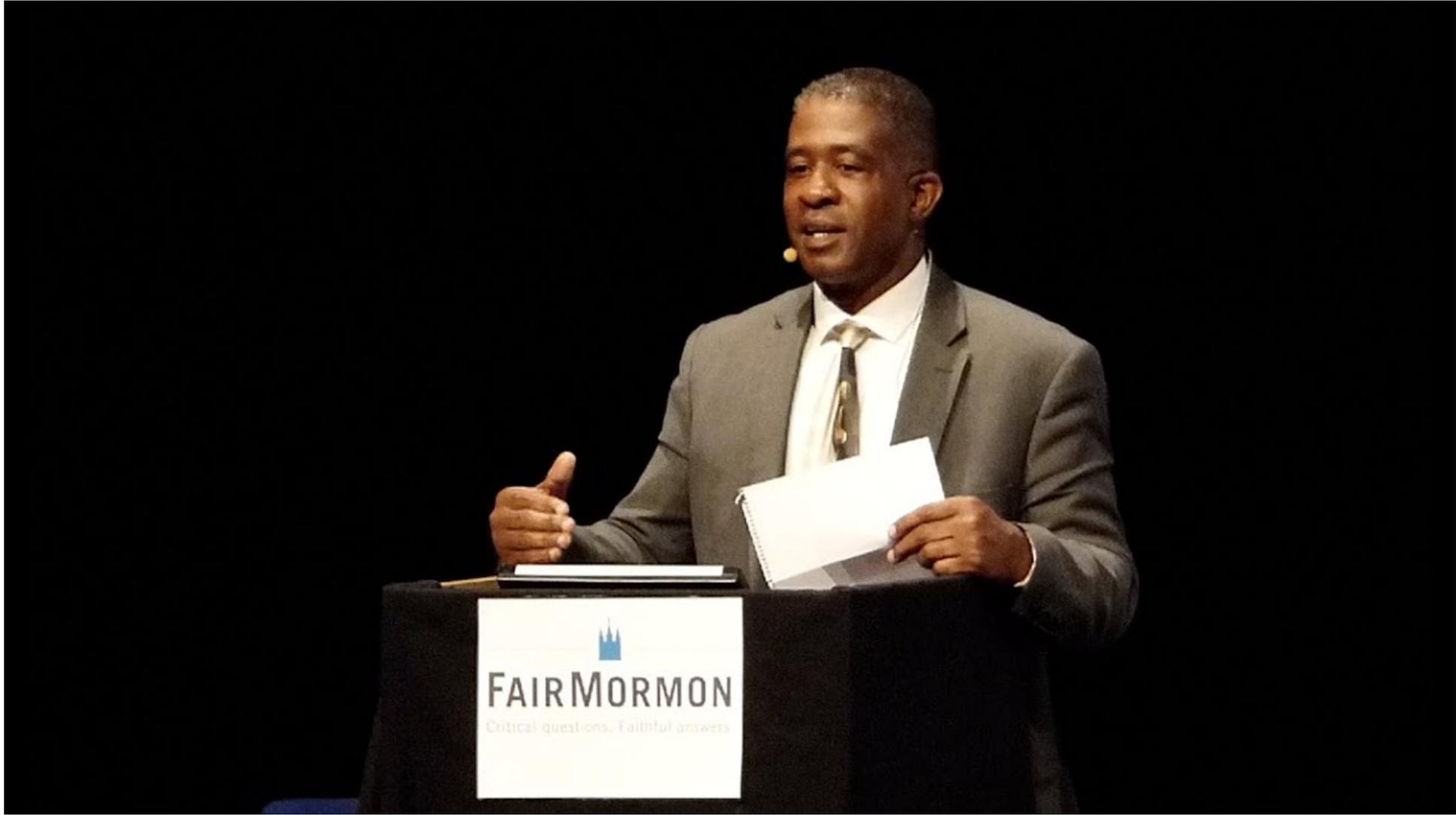
You make a living by what you get, but you make a life by what you give.











2 Nephi 5:21 And he had caused the ^acursing to come upon them, yea, even a sore cursing, because of their iniquity. For behold, they had hardened their hearts against him, that they had become like unto a flint; wherefore, as they were white, and exceedingly fair and ^bdelightsome, that they might not be ^centicing unto my people the Lord God did cause a ^dskin of ^eblackness to come upon them.

2 Nephi 30:6 And then shall they rejoice; for they shall ^aknow that it is a blessing unto them from the hand of God; and their ^bscales of darkness shall begin to fall from their eyes; and many generations shall not pass away among them, save they shall be a pure and a ^cdelightsome people.

TG Darkness, Spiritual; Spiritual Blindness.

Church apologizes for printing error in 2020 *Come Follow Me* manual

- “Today, the Church disavows the theories advanced in the past that black skin is a sign of divine disfavor or curse, or that it reflects unrighteous actions in a premortal life; that mixed-race marriages are a sin; or that blacks or people of any other race or ethnicity are inferior in any way to anyone else. Church leaders today unequivocally condemn all racism, past and present, in any form” ([Race and the Priesthood essay, churchofJesusChrist.org](https://www.churchofJesusChrist.org)).



PRESIDENT NELSON SPEAKS OF SKIN COLOR

- "Please listen carefully to what I am about to say. God does not love one race more than another. His doctrine on this matter is clear. He invites all to come unto Him, 'black and white, bond and free, male and female' ([2 Nephi 26:33](#)). I assure you that your standing before God is not determined by the color of your skin. Favor or disfavor with God is dependent upon your devotion to God and His commandments, and not the color of your skin" (October 2020).



Brother Ahmed
Corbitt of the
General Young
Men's Presidency:
"Look Forward"

The Articles of
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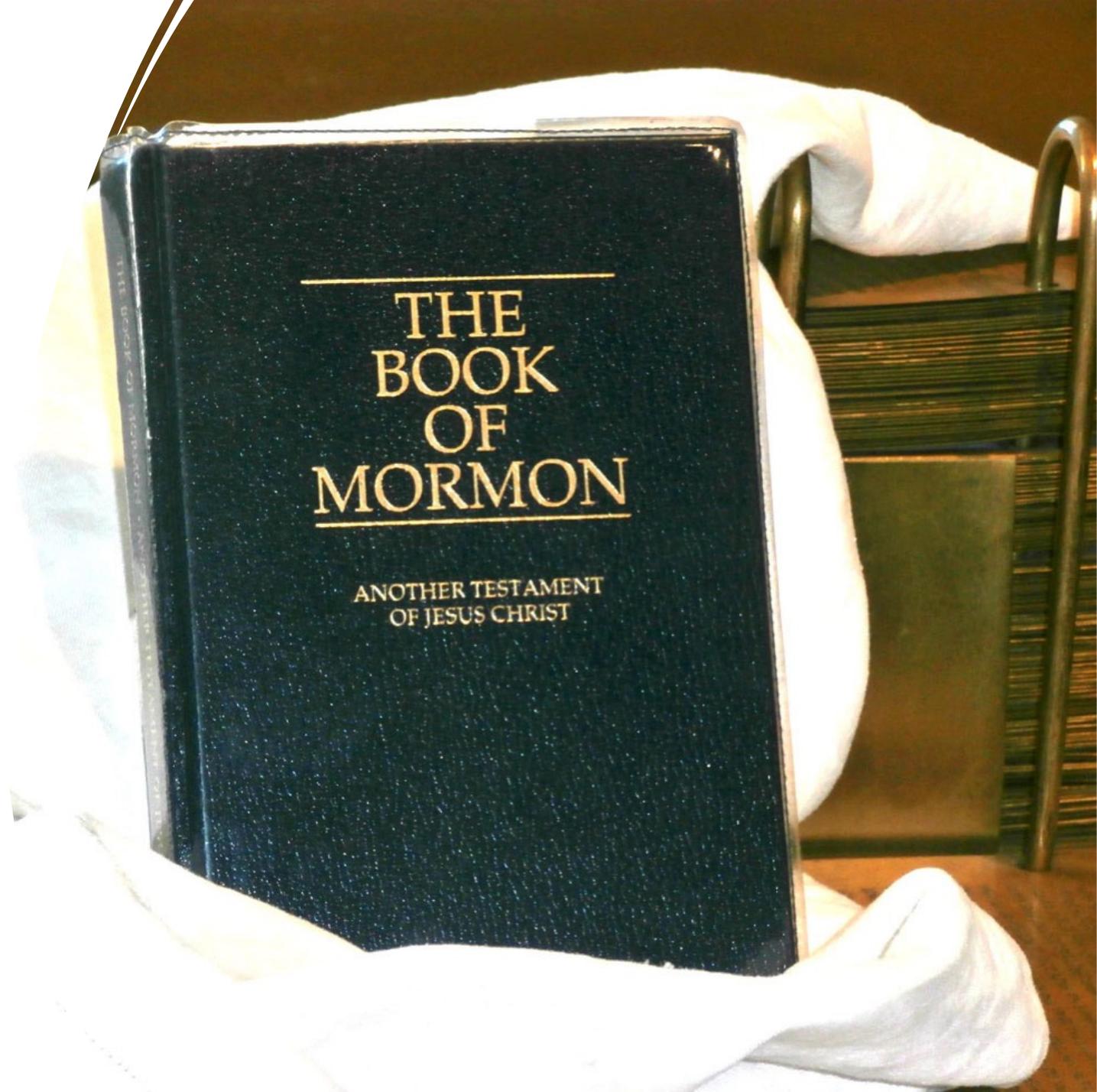


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The Book of Mormon is a litmus test

- 2 Nephi 5:32 And I engraved that which is pleasing unto God. And if my people are pleased with the things of God they will be pleased with mine engravings which are upon these plates.



President Nelson has said:

- The gathering is **“the most important thing taking place on earth today,”**
- This gathering should mean everything to you.
- This is the mission for which you were sent to earth.”









Jesus is the Light and Life of the World

- “Behold I am the light; I have set an example for you” ([3 Ne. 18:16](#)).



“And the Lord called his people Zion, because they were of *one heart* and *one mind*, and *dwelt in righteousness*; and there was *no poor among them*” ([Moses 7:18](#))

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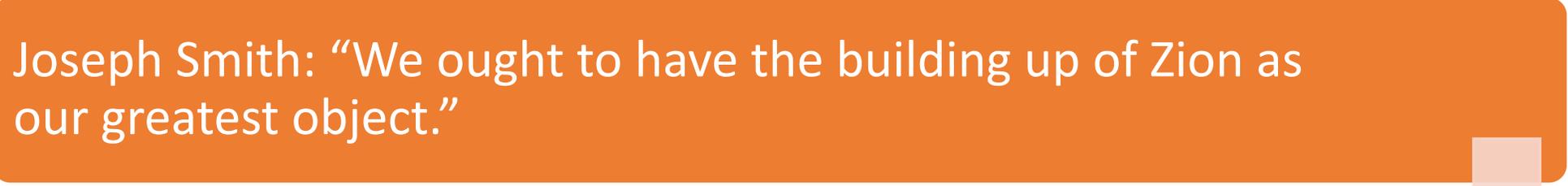
“Awake, awake; put on thy strength, O Zion” (Isaiah 52:1)

“For Zion must increase in beauty, and in holiness; her borders must be enlarged; her stakes must be strengthened; yea, verily I say unto you, Zion must arise and put on her beautiful garments” (D&C 82:14).



Hugh Nibley stated that a primary purpose of the Church is to prepare a people to become Zion:

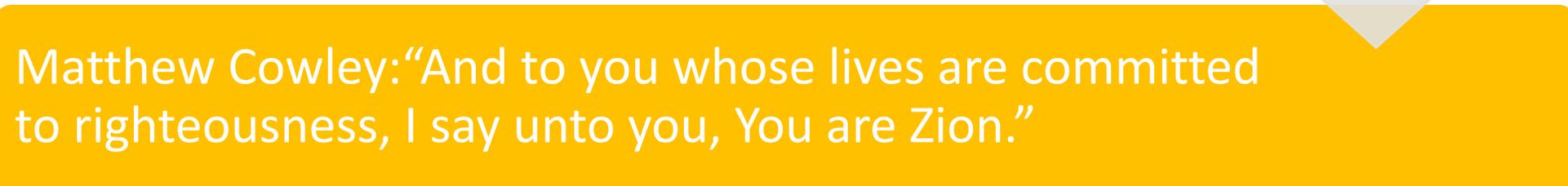
Joseph Smith: “We ought to have the building up of Zion as our greatest object.”

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Brigham Young: “Zion, the society, is made up of Zion, the individual people.”

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Matthew Cowley: “And to you whose lives are committed to righteousness, I say unto you, You are Zion.”

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We believe in the literal gathering of Israel and in the restoration of the Ten Tribes; that Zion (the New Jerusalem) will be built upon the American continent; that Christ will reign personally upon the earth; and, that the earth will be renewed and receive its paradisiacal glory.

10th Article of Faith

Stake (noun): a stick pointed at one end for driving into the ground as a boundary mark, support for a structure, etc.

Stakes are the basic building blocks of a strong Church organization.





Find support and
safety within the
stakes of Zion

Growth of stakes from 1971-2018

North America

- Grew from 515 to 1,679 stakes (326%)

Latin America

- Grew from 11 to 1,052 stakes (9,557%)

Asia

- Grew from 1 to 186 stakes (18,600%)

Africa

- Grew from 1 to 165 stakes (16,500%)



TEMPLES

100 temples announced by President Nelson — and the counsel he's given

By Scott Taylor | 3 April 2022, 4:09 PM MDT





President White at Stake Conference:
To become a Zion people, we must...

1. Take heed
and follow
the Prophet

2. Share our
abundance

Prophet Quiz:

1. Let God...

2. The Gathering of Israel is....

3. Stay on the...

4. The Lord loves...

4. In coming days, it will not be possible to...

6. I plead with you to make...

7. Strengthen your spiritual...

8. Expect...



What favorite sins
are hiding under
the surface?



Every people
has looked
forward to the
building of Zion
– can we be the
generation to
finally do it?

- Elder McConkie said: “though the day of the Second Coming is fixed, the day for the redemption of Zion depends on us.
- After we as a people live the law of the celestial kingdom; after we gain the needed experience and learn about our duties; after we become by faith and obedience as were our fellow saints in the days of Enoch; after we are worthy to be translated, if the purposes of the Lord should call for such a course in this day—then Zion will be redeemed, and not before.”

ZION
Are WE delaying
His coming?





Israel, Israel God is calling!







Elder Bednar – Oct. 2022

“To be or to become chosen is not an exclusive status conferred upon us. Rather, you and I ultimately can **choose to be chosen** through the righteous exercise of our moral agency.”



Marvin Perkins on why he converted:

2 Nephi 5: 21 footnote d



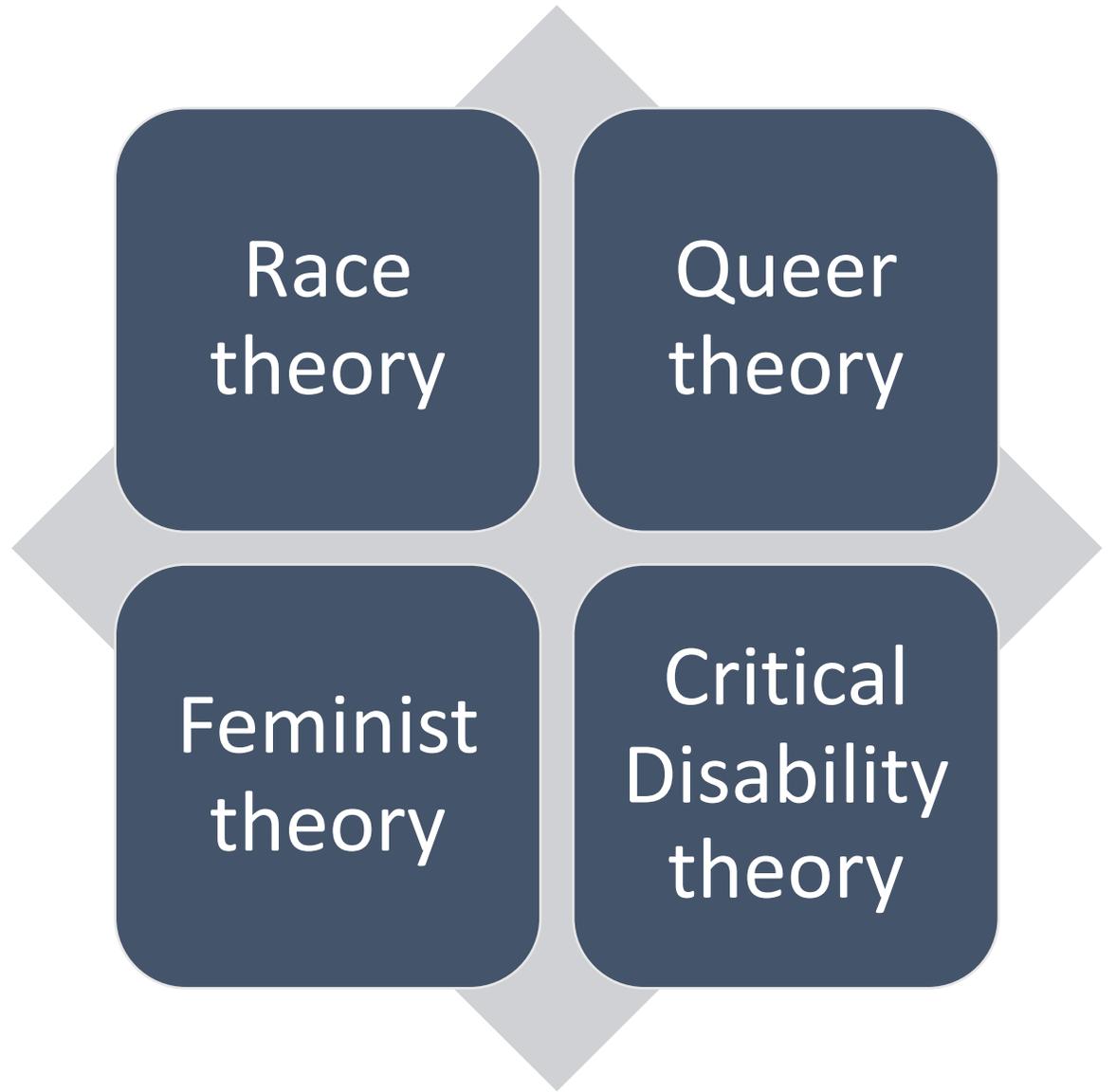
2 Nephi 30:6 footnote b



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What
about
FAITH
theory?





Aaron Judge: “I just try to take it one day at a time and say a prayer, go out there and just try to play my game,” he said. “For me, I never tried to focus on the number...Just go out there and play my game, and if I’m good enough and God willing, it’ll happen. I think just having that type of faith I think kind of helped me out through this whole process.”





Aaron Judge ✓
@TheJudge44 · Follow



What a night. Such a blessing from God to share that moment with so many special people! Thank you [@RogerMarisJr](#), the Yankees, my teammates, my family and all the Yankee fans for such an incredible day!



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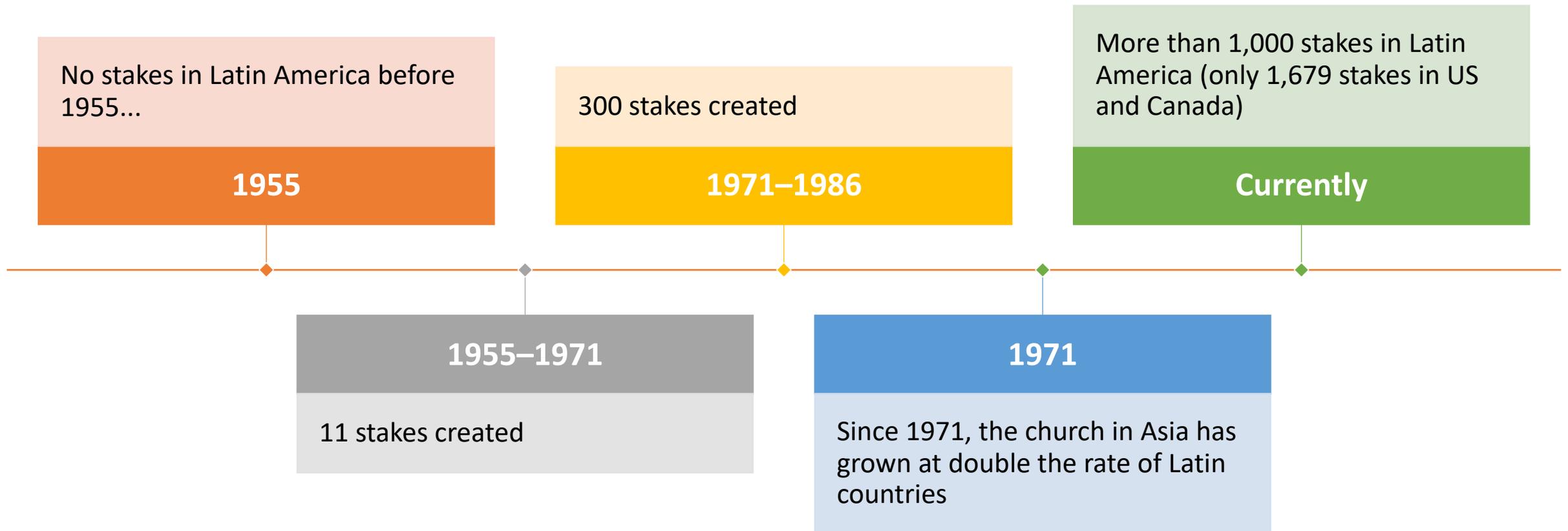
The Time of Israel

Area	Stakes 1971	Stakes 2018	Growth %	Annual Growth %
US/Canada	515	1679	326%	4.8%
Europe	12	128	1066%	22.7%
South/Central America	11	1,052	9557%	203.7%
Pacific	23	141	613%	13%
Asia	1	186	18,600%	395.7%
Africa	1	165	16,500%	351.1% (but 611% since 1991!!)



- 1.2 million unique visitors EVERY DAY – 85% are not church members.
- Church has the path to find 45 billion names (right now we have only 1 billion records).
...scientists believe there have been about 100 billion people who lived on earth
- 2,000 youth submitted names in 2011
- 350,000 youth submitted names in 2021

"Come to Zion, come to Zion – and within her walls rejoice"







- https://www.thechurchnews.com/leaders/2022/9/17/23357662/electricity-to-westwater-dine-community-elder-uchtdorf-collaboration-church-blanding-utah?utm_campaign=churchnews-en&utm_content=entry&utm_medium=social_share
- <https://mycollaborativeteam.com/the-growth-of-a-bamboo-tree/>
- <https://www.thechurchnews.com/global/2022/9/14/23353487/church-gives-32-million-dollars-to-world-food-programme-largest-one-time-donation-to-date>

Four potted plants are lined up on a white windowsill. From left to right: a tan pot with a 'Pepper' label, a blue pot with a 'Lemon' label, a tan pot with an 'Avacado' label and a thin stem, and a reddish-brown pot with a 'Tomato' label. The background shows a window with a view of trees and a building.

Pepper

Lemon

Avacado

Tomato





John Wooden

Susan Porter – being single at church

- Include this article when talking about being single in the church
<https://www.thechurchnews.com/2021/7/10/23218139/sister-susan-h-porter-new-primary-general-presidency-counselor>



The Book of Mormon exposes false prophets

Sherem
(Jacob
7:1–7)

Nehor
(Alma
1:2–6)

Korihor
(Alma
30:12–18)

Susan Porter – 1st Counselor Primary Presidency (April 2022)

- Sisters, I know that many of you feel as I did, unsure how to face difficult challenges and loss—loss because your life is not unfolding in the way you had hoped for, prayed for, and planned for.
- No matter our circumstances, our lives are sacred and have meaning and purpose. Each of us is a beloved daughter of God, born with divinity in our souls.
- Our Savior, Jesus Christ, through His atoning sacrifice, made it possible for us to be cleansed and healed, enabling us to fulfill our purpose on earth regardless of decisions of family members, our marital status, physical or mental health, or any other situation.