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### **Dedication Held** for Quetzaltenango **Guatemala Temple**

The Quetzaltenango Guatemala Temple was dedicated on Sunday, December 11, 2011, in three sessions by President Dieter F. Uchtdorf, Second Counselor in the First Presidency. The dedicatory sessions were broadcast to congregations of the Church within the temple district.

"What a beautiful temple this is," President Uchtdorf said at Saturday's cultural celebration, where youth performers from area congregations danced, sang, and presented a visual display of local history and culture. "It has a glowing shine like a jewel, and it is a jewel for this area of this country."

The Quetzaltenango Guatemala Temple is the Church's 136th temple worldwide and fifth in Central America. This temple will serve approximately 60,000 Latterday Saints.

## Church Breaks Ground for Seventh Temple in Brazil

On November 15, 2011, Elder David A. Bednar of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles presided over the groundbreaking ceremony for the Fortaleza Brazil Temple, the Church's seventh temple in Brazil.

"This temple will be a source of hope, light, and faith in God for all who come and walk here and in this field," Elder Bednar said. "This city will always be better and different because of the temple to be built here."

The temple will be built at Avenida Santos Dumont in Fortaleza, Ceará, Brazil. President Thomas S. Monson announced construction of the Fortaleza Brazil Temple during the October 2009 general conference. ■

#### Concert in Puerto Rico Draws Thousands

On December 18, 2011, members of the five stakes of Puerto Rico participated in a Christmas concert held in the Paseo de las Artes in the city of Caguas. Approximately 85 members of the Church performed, and some 2,500 members of the community attended.

## New Young Adult Center is Africa's Third

On November 4, 2011, young adults of the Soweto South Africa Stake held their first activity in a new building to be used exclusively as a young adult center.

More than 140 centers exist throughout Europe, and a few are scattered throughout the United States. The center in Soweto is Africa's third; the others are located in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Zimbabwe.

### **Unique Approach Prompts Questions**

A roll of paper was the genesis of the "Questions for God" missionary activity in Nizhniy Novgorod, Russia, on October 9, 2011.

Over the course of several hours, more than 150 people stopped by two tables on a busy street, picked up felt pens, and wrote their questions. In all, 84 questions were written on the roll of paper. Many people voiced a desire for an answer from the missionaries present.

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