

Audio and Video Back to 1971 Added to Conference Archives

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Church News and Events

In an effort to help members better access counsel given by beloved past and current prophets and apostles, the Church is adding audio and video archives to the general conference section of LDS.org.

By June 2012, online archives in English will feature audio and video of every general conference from April 1971 to the present. Previously, only text of conferences dating back to 1971 were available; English video dated back only to 2002. Also by June 2012, the Church will provide audio and video formats of conference addresses back to 2008 in more than 70 additional languages.

“While the majority of Church members come to the general conference section of LDS.org to read,

watch, and listen to the latest conference addresses, many members are also interested in accessing past conferences,” said Elder Patrick Kearon of the Seventy. “The purpose of this initiative is to make conference messages much more accessible to members of the Church around the world.”

The Church is also adding music to the conference archives. Currently, members can listen to the Mormon Tabernacle Choir perform songs back to 2008 by clicking on **Show Music** at the top of each conference section on **LDS.org**. A new music archive (GCmusic.lds.org) allows searches across multiple archives and conferences.

Plans are in place to make the archives accessible not only through LDS.org but also the Church’s mobile apps, such as the Gospel Library app, and other vehicles, including the Mormon Channel on Roku and YouTube. ■

Music from all conference sessions dating back to 2008 can now be listened to or downloaded from GCmusic.lds.org.



Auxiliary Training Meetings Online in English and Spanish

To help leaders learn their duties and to introduce resource materials that can be used for priesthood and auxiliary leadership training, the general presidencies of four of the auxiliaries of the Church held training for stake and ward auxiliary leaders in late March. (Training for Young Men leaders will be held on May 10). Webcasts, both live and on-demand, were provided or will be provided for all five auxiliaries in English and Spanish.

A summary of the four training sessions held in March is provided here for those without access.

Primary

The purpose of Primary is to help children along the path to conversion, said Rosemary M. Wixom, Primary general president, during auxiliary training for Primary leaders on March 28 and 29.

“We want [Primary children] to feel, to love, to act,” she said. “We want them to have a testimony. . . . Testimony means declaration. We want to go one step further. Conversion means to act. We want these children to have and feel the seeds of conversion in their lives.”

Sister Wixom and her counselors, Jean A. Stevens and Cheryl A. Esplin, told ward and stake Primary leaders that they can assist parents in planting those seeds of conversion. Sister Wixom said the process of conversion begins at a very young age. “It ideally begins in the home, where the parents love the Lord with all their heart, with