

Reyna I. Aburto Second Counselor, Relief Society General Presidency

Stor Reyna I. Aburto was born in Managua, Nicaragua, to Noel Blanco and Delbi Cardoza in 1963. "My parents always worked hard so they could provide for us," Sister Aburto said. "I had a very happy childhood."

Just past midnight on December 23, 1972, when she was nine years old, an earthquake struck Managua. "I was saved because there was a piece of furniture behind me, but my legs were trapped." Hearing her and her mother's screams, neighbors came to pull them from the destroyed adobe house. In the wreckage, they found the body of her older brother in the bed next to hers. "Material possessions are just so temporary, but the important thing is our family," she said.

When she was 21, Sister Aburto immigrated to the United States with her family. While living in San Francisco, California, she was introduced to missionaries and decided to come to church. "As soon as I stepped into that building, I could feel the Spirit. It was stake conference, and I felt that every single message was for me," she said. She was baptized in 1989.

During this time she met Carlos Aburto, and they became friends. They continued to correspond, even when Sister Aburto moved to Orem, Utah. They married on May 8, 1993, in the Jordan River Utah Temple. They are the parents of three children.

Sister Aburto, sustained on April 1, 2017, to the Relief Society General Presidency, has worked in the translation industry for more than 25 years, including at Novell Inc. and Lemoine International. She and her husband now own a small translation agency. She studied industrial engineering at Central American University in Managua, Nicaragua, for four years and earned an associate degree in computer science from Utah Valley State College in 1997.

Sister Aburto has served in a wide variety of Church callings, including Primary general board member from 2012 to 2016. ■



Cristina B. Franco

Second Counselor, Primary General Presidency

At a young age, Sister Cristina B. Franco learned that if she had a question, she could turn to Heavenly Father in prayer for an answer.

"I remember going to my mom when I was 11 or so and asking her a doctrinal question," she said. "She answered my question but told me, 'You don't have to take my word for it.' So I prayed and asked my Heavenly Father if it was true."

Her prayer was answered, and from then on she knew she had a Heavenly Father who loved her and would answer her prayers.

Sustained on April 1, 2017, to the Primary General Presidency, Cristina Beatriz Fraga was born in 1958 to Hugo R. and Maria A. Godoy Fraga in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

When she was three years old, missionaries knocked on her parents' door. After studying and attending church for about eight months, the couple joined the Church and began raising their family in the gospel. In Primary she met Rodolfo C. Franco, a child who later became her best friend.

When she was 18, Sister Franco's family moved to Utah, USA. At that time, she and Rodolfo knew they wanted to marry, but Rodolfo was required to serve in the Argentine military for a time. The two wrote letters, and when he completed his military service, they married on December 15, 1978, in the Salt Lake Temple. They are the parents of three sons.

Following in the footsteps of Sister Franco's father, a watchmaker, the couple worked at a watch and clock shop in Salt Lake City for nearly three decades.

Sister Franco has served in many capacities in the Church. She served on the Primary general board from 2005 to 2010 and, at the time of her call to the Primary General Presidency, was serving with her husband as he presides over the Argentina Resistencia Mission. ■