# Summary for the 179th Semiannual General Conference

# SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 3, 2009, GENERAL SESSION

Presiding: President Thomas S. Monson. Conducting: President Henry B. Eyring. Invocation: Elder John M. Madsen. Benediction: Elder Clate W. Mask Jr. Music by the Tabernacle Choir; Mack Wilberg and Ryan Murphy, directors; Clay Christiansen and Richard Elliott, organists: "Glory to God on High," Hymns, no. 67; "Rejoice, the Lord Is King!" Hymns, no. 66; "Choose the Right," Hymns, no. 239, arr. Wilberg, unpublished; "We Thank Thee, O God, for a Prophet," Hymns, no. 19; "My Heavenly Father Loves Me," Children's Songbook, 228-29, arr. Hofheins, unpublished; "Oh, May My Soul Commune with Thee," Hymns, no. 123; "Come, Come, Ye Saints," Hymns, no. 30, arr. Wilberg, unpublished.

### SATURDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 3, 2009, GENERAL SESSION

Presiding: President Thomas S. Monson. Conducting: President Henry B. Eyring. Invocation: Elder Carlos H. Amado. Benediction: Elder Robert S. Wood. Music by a combined ward choir from stakes in Bountiful and Farmington, Utah; Michael Huff, director; Linda Margetts, organist: "Let Zion in Her Beauty Rise," *Hymns*, no. 41; "Know This, That Every Soul Is Free," *Hymns*, no. 240, arr. Huff, unpublished; "Come, Ye Children of the Lord," *Hymns*, no. 58; "I Know That My Redeemer Lives," *Hymns*, no. 136, arr. Huff, unpublished.

## SATURDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 3, 2009, PRIESTHOOD SESSION

Presiding: President Thomas S. Monson. Conducting: President Dieter F. Uchtdorf. Invocation: Elder Dennis B. Neuenschwander. Benediction: Elder Lance B. Wickman. Music by an Aaronic Priesthood choir from stakes in West Jordan, Utah; Neil Hendriksen, director; Andrew Unsworth, organist: "High on the Mountain Top," *Hymns*, no. 333; "Sweet Hour of Prayer," *Hymns*, no. 142, arr. de Azevedo, pub. Embryo; "Praise to the Man," *Hymns*, no. 27; "Rise Up, O Men of God," *Hymns*, no. 324, arr. Staheli, pub. Jackman.

## SUNDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 4, 2009, GENERAL SESSION

Presiding: President Thomas S. Monson. Conducting: President Thomas S. Monson. Invocation: Elder Glenn L. Pace. Benediction: Elder Enrique R. Falabella. Music by the Tabernacle Choir; Mack Wilberg and Ryan Murphy, directors; Richard Elliott and Andrew Unsworth, organists: "Sing Praise to Him," *Hymns*, no. 70; "I Need Thee Every Hour," *Hymns*, no. 98; "Beautiful Zion, Built Above," *Hymns*, no. 44, arr. Wilberg, unpublished; "How Firm a Foundation," *Hymns*, no. 85; "Love Is Spoken Here," *Children's Songbook*, 190–91, arr. Cardon, unpublished; "Have I Done Any Good?" *Hymns*, no. 223, arr. Zabriskie, pub. Plum.

## SUNDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 4, 2009, GENERAL SESSION

Presiding: President Thomas S. Monson. Conducting: President Dieter F. Uchtdorf. Invocation: Elder Marlin K. Jensen. Benediction: Elder W. Douglas Shumway. Music by the Tabernacle Choir; Mack Wilberg and Ryan Murphy, directors; Bonnie Goodliffe and Linda Margetts, organists: "In Hymns of Praise," *Hymns*, no. 75, arr. Murphy, unpublished; "O Divine Redeemer," Gounod, pub. IRI; "Hope of Israel," *Hymns*, no. 259; "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing," *Hymns*, no. 163, arr. Wilberg, unpublished.

## SATURDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 26, 2009, GENERAL RELIEF SOCIETY MEETING

Presiding: President Thomas S. Monson. Conducting: Julie B. Beck. Invocation: Martha Johnson. Benediction: Carole M. Stephens. Music by a Relief Society choir from stakes in West Point, Clearfield, Clinton, Sunset, and Syracuse, Utah; Cathy Jolley, director; Bonnie Goodliffe, organist: "There Is Sunshine in My Soul," *Hymns*, no. 227; "As Sisters in Zion," *Hymns*, no. 309, arr. Boothe, unpublished (flutes: Nancy Toone and Cory Maxfield); "How Firm a Foundation," *Hymns*, no. 85, descant arr. Webb, unpublished; "Guide Us, O Thou Great Jehovah," *Hymns*, no. 83, arr. Wilberg, pub. IRI.

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