

Social Media Pages Created for Church Leaders

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The Church has created official social media pages for members of the First Presidency and the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles on Facebook and Google Plus. These pages will act as an official social media presence for each of the Brethren, who will direct the pages as they are maintained on their behalf by the Church.

The official Facebook and Google Plus accounts can be found by searching on facebook.com/lds and plus.google.com. To know whether or not a social media site or page is official, look for the Church's logo.

Those following these pages will receive regular updates on the ministry of each of the Brethren. "The Church will post links to talks, articles, videos, and other relevant content on their behalf," said Dale Jones, a spokesperson for the Church.

These pages will allow people to more easily find the words of living prophets, and "liking" the pages will cause their content to be in the liker's Facebook feed, where it can be readily viewed and shared with others.

Creating official pages helps members know which pages are maintained by the Church and protects individuals from fake pages. ■



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Temple News

Ground Broken for First Temple in Connecticut

Construction began on the first Latter-day Saint temple in Connecticut, USA, following groundbreaking ceremonies led by President Thomas S. Monson in Hartford on Saturday, August 17. The Hartford Connecticut Temple will be the second in New England (the other is in Boston, Massachusetts) and one of 170 LDS temples in use, under construction, or in the planning stages around the world.

Second Temple in Colorado

On Saturday, August 24, Elder Ronald A. Rasband of the Presidency of the Seventy officiated at groundbreaking ceremonies for the second temple in Colorado, USA, the Fort Collins Colorado Temple. The other temple is in Denver, some 59 miles (95 km) south of Fort Collins. ■