

# NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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## New Mission Presidents Called to Serve

The Church has called the following new mission presidents, who will begin serving in their assigned areas this month.

MISSION	NEW PRESIDENT
Alabama Birmingham	Richard D. Hanks
Angola Luanda	Danny L. Merrill
Argentina Buenos Aires North	David S. Ayre
Argentina Buenos Aires South	Larry L. Thurgood
Argentina Comodoro Rivadavia	Mark F. Rogers
Argentina Córdoba	Rubén V. Alliaud
Argentina Posadas	Lee R. LaPierre
Arizona Gilbert	K. Brett Nattress
Arizona Mesa	Kirk L. Jenkins
Arizona Scottsdale	Karl R. Sweeney
Arizona Tempe	James L. Toone
Armenia Yerevan	J. Steven Carlson
Australia Brisbane	Lon E. Henderson
Australia Melbourne	Cory H. Maxwell
Australia Sydney North	Philip F. Howes
Australia Sydney South	Larry J. Lew
Bolivia La Paz	Julián A. Palacio
Bolivia Santa Cruz	Jason A. Willard
Bolivia Santa Cruz North	Richard C. Zambrano
Botswana Gaborone	Merrill A. Wilson
Brazil Curitiba	Anderson M. Monteiro
Brazil Curitiba South	Leonel R. Fernandes
Brazil Fortaleza East	Carlos Fusco
Brazil Goiânia	David Kuceki
Brazil João Pessoa	Izaías P. Nogueira
Brazil Juiz de Fora	Luciano Cascardi
Brazil Londrina	C. Alberto de Genaro
Brazil Natal	Saulo Soares

MISSION	NEW PRESIDENT
Brazil Piracicaba	Kennedy F. Canuto
Brazil Ribeirão Preto	Mauro T. Brum
Brazil Santa Maria	Adalton P. Parrela
Brazil Santos	Celso B. Cabral
Brazil São Paulo West	José Luiz Del Guerso
California Bakersfield	James M. Wilson
California Carlsbad	Hal C. Kendrick
California Irvine	Von D. Orgill
California Long Beach	Ryan M. Tew
California Los Angeles	David N. Weidman
California Rancho Cucamonga	Bruce E. Hobbs
California Redlands	Daniel J. Van Cott
Canada Edmonton	Larry G. Manion
Canada Montreal	Victor P. Patrick
Chile Antofagasta	Craig L. Dalton
Chile Concepción	Kent J. Arrington
Chile Rancagua	Thomas R. Warne
Chile Santiago South	David L. Cook
Chile Santiago West	José A. Barreiros
Colombia Barranquilla	Kent R. Searle
Colorado Denver South	J. Blake Murdock
Colorado Fort Collins	Kelly W. Brown
Czech/Slovak	James W. McConkie III
Democratic Republic of the Congo Kinshasa	W. Bryce Cook
Ecuador Guayaquil South	Maximo C. Torres
Ecuador Guayaquil West	Jorge Dennis
Ecuador Quito North	Brian A. Richardson
El Salvador San Salvador East	David L. Glazier
El Salvador San Salvador West/Belize	Kai D. Hintze
England Leeds	Graham Pilkington
Florida Jacksonville	Paul W. Craig
Florida Orlando	Michael J. Berry
Florida Tallahassee	Bradley J. Smith
Florida Tampa	Mark D. Cusick
Georgia Macon	Brent T. Cottle

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Ghana Accra West	Norman C. Hill
Guatemala Cobán	John F. Curtiss
Guatemala Retalhuleu	Johnny F. Ruiz
Hawaii Honolulu	Stephen R. Warner
Honduras San Pedro Sula East	Norman S. Klein
Honduras San Pedro Sula West	James M. Dester
Idaho Boise	John Winder
Idaho Nampa	Stuart B. Cannon
Idaho Twin Falls	Glen R. Curtis
Illinois Chicago	Paul S. Woodbury
Illinois Chicago West	Jerry D. Fenn
India Bangalore	David M. Berrett
Indiana Indianapolis	Steven C. Cleveland
Indonesia Jakarta	Christopher L. Donald
Iowa Des Moines	John R. Jensen
Italy Milan	Bruce L. Dibb
Italy Rome	Michael Waddoups
Jamaica Kingston	Kevin G. Brown
Japan Nagoya	Kazuhiko Yamashita
Japan Tokyo South	Takashi Wada
Kansas Wichita	Michael L. Bell
Kenya Nairobi	Gary C. Hicken
Korea Daejeon	Yong-In S. Shin
Korea Seoul South	Marshall R. Morrise
Liberia Monrovia	Roger L. Kirkham
Marshall Islands Majuro	Thomas L. Weir
Mexico Aguascalientes	Juan Villarreal
Mexico Cancún	Dale B. Kirkham Jr.
Mexico Chihuahua	Ulises Chávez
Mexico Ciudad Juárez	Rodolfo Derbez
Mexico Ciudad Obregón	Mauricio Munive
Mexico Culiacán	Jesús Velez
Mexico Mérida	Sergio A. Garcia
Mexico Mexico City Chalco	Jerald D. Crickmore
Mexico Mexico City East	Sergio M. Anaya
Mexico Mexico City Northwest	Brad H Hall
Mexico Mexico City West	George F. Whitehead

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Mexico Monterrey East	Larry C. Bird
Mexico Pachuca	Andrew E. Egbert
Mexico Querétaro	Javier L. Mejorada
Mexico Reynosa	Abelardo Morales
Mexico Saltillo	L. Fernando Rodriguez
Mexico Villahermosa	Israel G. Morales
Michigan Detroit	Nolan D. Gerber
Missouri St. Louis	Thomas W. Morgan
Mongolia Ulaanbaatar	Joseph P. Benson
Nevada Las Vegas West	Michael B. Ahlander
New Hampshire Manchester	Philip M. Stoker
New Mexico Albuquerque	Steven J. Miller
New York Rochester	Arthur R. Francis
New Zealand Hamilton	Charles A. Rudd
Nicaragua Managua North	Monsop Collado
Nicaragua Managua South	Bryan G. Russell
Nigeria Benin City	Akingbade A. Ojo
Nigeria Enugu	Freebody A. Mensah
Nigeria Lagos	Richard K. Ahadjie
Ohio Cincinnati	John P. Porter
Oklahoma Oklahoma City	Stewart R. Walkenhorst
Oregon Salem	Michael R. Samuelian
Panama Panama City	Curtis Carmack
Papua New Guinea Lae	Mark P. Peteru
Paraguay Asunción North	Garn H. McMullin
Pennsylvania Philadelphia	T. Gary Anderson
Peru Arequipa	Richard Zobrist
Peru Cusco	Robert C. Harbertson
Peru Huancayo	David Y. Henderson
Peru Iquitos	Alejandro Gómez
Peru Lima North	John R. Erickson
Peru Lima West	Blake D. Archibald
Peru Trujillo	D. Kurt Marler
Philippines Baguio	Anthony John Baledos
Philippines Butuan	Pastor B. Torres
Philippines Cagayan de Oro	Alberto C. Bulseco
Philippines Cauayan	George R. Rahlf

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Philippines Cavite	Douglas C. Tye
Philippines Cebu East	Richard L. Tanner
Philippines Iloilo	Jaime R. Aquino
Philippines Legaspi	Jovencio A. Guanzon
Philippines Naga	L. Barry Reeder
Philippines Quezon City	Carlos Revillo
Philippines Urdaneta	William J. Monahan
Poland Warsaw	Steven C. Edgren
Puerto Rico San Juan	P. Knox Smartt III
Russia Moscow	Garry E. Borders
Russia Samara	Michael L. Schwab
Russia Yekaterinburg	Val J. Christensen
Sierra Leone Freetown	David B. Ostler
South Africa Durban	John A. Zackrison
Taiwan Taichung	Kurt L. Blickenstaff
Texas Fort Worth	Rodney A. Ames
Texas McAllen	Fernando Maluenda
Texas San Antonio	James E. Slaughter
Tonga Nuku'alofa	Leitoni M. Tupou
Uganda Kampala	Robert F. Chatfield
Ukraine L'viv	Daniel E. Lattin
Uruguay Montevideo West	Thomas A. Smith
Utah Salt Lake City	Stephen W. Hansen
Utah Salt Lake City East	John C. Eberhardt
Utah Salt Lake City South	Robert E. Chambers
Utah St. George	John R. Center
Venezuela Valencia	Guillermo I. Guardia
Virginia Chesapeake	Alan J. Baker
Virginia Richmond	E. Bradley Wilson
Washington DC North	Peter S. Cooke
Washington Everett	Mark Bonham
Washington Federal Way	Robert I. Eaton
Washington Kennewick	Boyd S. Ware
Washington Seattle	Yoon Hwan Choi
Washington Vancouver	Derlin C. Taylor
Wisconsin Milwaukee	Raymond A. Cutler
Zambia Lusaka	Leif J. Erickson

## Elder Cook Addresses Members and Investigators in Ivory Coast

By R. Scott Lloyd

*Church News*

Elder Quentin L. Cook of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles traveled to Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast), in February 2013. During the visit he presided at a priesthood leadership conference, held a special meeting with members and investigators, and visited key government officials.

Elder Cook was accompanied on the trip by Elder L. Whitney Clayton of the Presidency of the Seventy; Elder John B. Dickson of the Seventy, President of the Africa West Area; and Elder Joseph W. Sitati of the Seventy, First Counselor in the Africa West Area Presidency.

Total attendance at the priesthood leadership conference and the member and investigator meeting was 9,693, which included 619 investigators. Many members sacrificed greatly to attend. Virginie Oulai Tongo of the Meagui Branch, Cote d'Ivoire Abidjan Mission, said her family saved their money to come and see an Apostle. "We traveled for 12 hours, but I am happy," she said.

Many who attended the conference reported on the remarkable richness of the Spirit they enjoyed. Bishop Leon Kouadio of the Dokui Ward, Cocody Stake, said, "I know that we had the presence of a distinguished servant of our Savior among us."

Church membership in Cote d'Ivoire has grown from one family in 1984 to five stakes and one district today.

In recent years the Ivorian Saints' faithfulness has been particularly manifest in their family history and temple work. Three of the five Cote d'Ivoire stakes are among the top 25 in the Church in the percentage of adults who