

# Conference Summary for the 178th Annual General Conference

## **SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 5, 2008, GENERAL SESSION**

Presiding: President Thomas S. Monson.  
Conducting: President Thomas S. Monson.  
Invocation: Elder Lynn A. Mickelsen.  
Benediction: Elder Ulisses Soares.  
Music by the Tabernacle Choir; Mack Wilberg, director; Clay Christiansen and Richard Elliott, organists: "How Wondrous and Great," *Hymns*, no. 267; "Lead, Kindly Light," *Hymns*, no. 97, arr. Wilberg, pub. Deseret Book; "Praise to the Man," *Hymns*, no. 27, arr. Wilberg, unpublished; "We Thank Thee, O God, for a Prophet," *Hymns*, no. 19; "I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go," *Hymns*, no. 270, arr. Wilberg, unpublished; "Come, Follow Me," *Hymns*, no. 116, arr. Manookin, pub. Sonos.

## **SATURDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 5, 2008, GENERAL SESSION**

Presiding: President Thomas S. Monson.  
Conducting: President Dieter F. Uchtdorf.  
Invocation: Elder Gary J. Coleman.  
Benediction: Elder Stanley G. Ellis.  
Music by a combined choir from Brigham Young University; Ronald Staheli and Rosalind Hall, directors; Bonnie Goodliffe, organist: "The Morning Breaks," *Hymns*, no. 1, arr. Staheli, unpublished; "Lean on My Ample Arm," *Hymns*, no. 120; "Redeemer of Israel," *Hymns*, no. 6; "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me," *Hymns*, no. 104, arr. Manookin, pub. Sonos.

## **SATURDAY EVENING, APRIL 5, 2008, PRIESTHOOD SESSION**

Presiding: President Thomas S. Monson.  
Conducting: President Thomas S. Monson.  
Invocation: Elder Mervyn B. Arnold.  
Benediction: Elder Larry W. Gibbons.  
Music by a priesthood choir from the Logan and Ogden institutes; J. Nyles Salmond, Lynn Hopkins, and Jerald F. Simon, directors; Andrew Unsworth, organist: "Rise Up, O Men of God," *Hymns* (1948), no. 332; "An Angel from on High," *Hymns*, no. 328, arr. Unsworth, unpublished; "Ye Elders of Israel," *Hymns*, no. 319; "Know This, That Every Soul Is Free," *Hymns*, no. 240, arr. Unsworth, unpublished.

## **SUNDAY MORNING, APRIL 6, 2008, GENERAL SESSION**

Presiding: President Thomas S. Monson.  
Conducting: President Thomas S. Monson.  
Invocation: Elder Anthony D. Perkins.  
Benediction: Elder Benjamin De Hoyos.

Music by the Tabernacle Choir; Mack Wilberg, director; Richard Elliott and Andrew Unsworth, organists: "Rejoice, the Lord Is King!" *Hymns*, no. 66; "Joseph Smith's First Prayer," *Hymns*, no. 26; "He Sent His Son," *Children's Songbook*, 34–35, arr. Hofheins, unpublished; "How Firm a Foundation," *Hymns*, no. 85; "If You Could Hie to Kolob," *Hymns* (1948), no. 257, arr. Wilberg, unpublished; "High on the Mountain Top," *Hymns*, no. 5, arr. Wilberg, unpublished.

## **SUNDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 6, 2008, GENERAL SESSION**

Presiding: President Thomas S. Monson.  
Conducting: President Dieter F. Uchtdorf.  
Invocation: Elder C. Scott Grow.  
Benediction: Elder Bruce C. Hafen.  
Music by the Tabernacle Choir; Mack Wilberg, director; Linda Margetts and Bonnie Goodliffe, organists: "For the Beauty of the Earth," *Hymns*, no. 92, arr. Wilberg, unpublished; "Called to Serve," *Hymns*, no. 249, arr. Wilberg, unpublished; "Guide Us, O Thou Great Jehovah," *Hymns*, no. 83; "God Bless Our Prophet Dear," *Hymns*, no. 24, arr. Wilberg, unpublished.

## **SATURDAY EVENING, MARCH 29, 2008, GENERAL YOUNG WOMEN MEETING**

Presiding: President Thomas S. Monson.  
Conducting: Susan W. Tanner.  
Invocation: Miranda Kuhni.  
Benediction: Jennifer Thorup.  
Music by a Young Women choir from Cache Valley in the Utah North Area; Merrilee Webb, director; Bonnie Goodliffe, organist: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty," *Hymns*, no. 72, arr. Webb, unpublished; "I'm Trying

to Be like Jesus," *Children's Songbook*, 78–79, arr. Christofferson, unpublished (flute: Helen McGarr); "How Firm a Foundation," *Hymns*, no. 85, arr. Kasen, pub. Jackman; "Press Forward, Saints," *Hymns*, no. 81, descant arr. Webb, unpublished.

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