



Elder Alan R. Walker

General Authority Seventy

Learning about and immersing himself in new cultures has become a lifetime hobby for Elder Alan R. Walker, which will serve him well in his calling as a General Authority Seventy.

Born in Buenos Aires, Argentina, to Victor Adrian Walker and Cristina Ofelia Sparrow Walker on January 2, 1971, Alan Roy Walker grew up in different parts of North and South America.

His spent his early years in Argentina before his family moved to Boston, Massachusetts, USA, and later to Mexico City, Mexico, for his father's job.

"Learning English has been a tremendous blessing," he says. And growing up in the gospel allowed him to develop his testimony and prepare at an early age for a mission. After attending Brigham Young University for a year, Elder Walker served as a full-time missionary in the Tennessee Nashville Mission.

To assist his father's recovery from a serious accident, Elder Walker delayed his plans to return to school following his mission and returned to Argentina. That's when he met Ines Marcela Sulé at an institute dance. Eight months later, on August 12, 1993, they were married in the Buenos Aires Argentina Temple. The next day, the young couple moved to Provo, Utah, USA, where Elder Walker completed his bachelor's degree in economics in 1996.

Elder Walker worked for three years as a corporate banker with Citibank, six years as a controller for the Church in the South America South Area, 11 years in the Mexico Area, and most recently as a director for temporal affairs for the South America South Area. In 2010, Elder Walker was called to preside over the Mexico Monterrey East Mission.

The Walkers, along with their daughter, enjoy serving others, traveling, and getting to know new places and people.

Before being called as a General Authority Seventy, Elder Walker served in various Church capacities, including Area Seventy, counselor in a stake presidency, high councilor, bishop, bishopric counselor, and ward mission leader. ■