

# Houses of the Lord

The temple is literally the house of the Lord. It is a place where God instructs His children and prepares them to return to His presence. It is a place where we are united as families and taught the ways of the Lord.





*The temple was a place of learning for the Savior when He was on the earth; it was very much a part of His life. Temple blessings are available once again in our day” (James E. Faust, “The Restoration of All Things,” Liahona and Ensign, May 2006, 67).*

◀ Washington D.C. Temple.  
Dedicated Nov. 19, 1974.

▲ Fountain, Nashville Tennessee Temple.





*“By identifying our ancestors and performing for them the saving ordinances they could not themselves perform, we are testifying of the infinite reach of the Atonement of Jesus Christ”*  
*(D. Todd Christofferson, “The Redemption of the Dead and the Testimony of Jesus,” Liahona, Jan. 2001, 11; Ensign, Nov. 2000, 10).*

- ◀ Stained glass, Palmyra New York Temple (far left).
- ◀ Hong Kong China Temple. Dedicated May 26, 1996.
- ▲ Arches, Bountiful Utah Temple.





*“The process of taking upon ourselves the name of Jesus Christ that is commenced in the waters of baptism is continued and enlarged in the house of the Lord. . . . In the ordinances of the holy temple we more completely and fully take upon us the name of Jesus Christ” (David A. Bednar, “Honorably Hold a Name and Standing,” Liahona and Ensign, May 2009, 98).*

◀ Cochabamba Bolivia Temple.  
Dedicated Apr. 30, 2000.

▲ Masonry detail,  
Cardston Alberta Temple.



*"In its gleaming glory, the temple seems to beckon to each who views its splendor, 'Come! Come to the house of the Lord. Here is found rest for the weary and peace for the soul.' . . . The [temple] prepares all who enter to return homeward—homeward to heaven, homeward to family, homeward to God"*  
(Thomas S. Monson, "Days Never to Be Forgotten," Ensign, Nov. 1990, 67, 70).

- ▲ Fencing, Sacramento California Temple.
- ▶ Accra Ghana Temple. Dedicated Jan. 11, 2004.



