

# Special Witness Cards

Use these cards to learn more about the members of the First Presidency and the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles. You could also copy the cards and create a matching game. You can print more copies at [liahona.lds.org](http://liahona.lds.org).



**President  
Russell M. Nelson**  
*Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles*

- Was a heart surgeon
- Served as a doctor in the U.S. Army in Korea and Japan
- Has 10 children—9 girls and 1 boy



**President  
Dieter F. Uchtdorf**  
*Second Counselor in the First Presidency*

- Fled with his family to West Germany as war refugees
- Is an airplane pilot
- Enjoys skiing with his children and grandchildren



**President  
Henry B. Eyring**  
*First Counselor in the First Presidency*

- Played basketball in high school
- Learned physics from his father on their basement chalkboard
- Was president of Ricks College, now Brigham Young University-Idaho



**President  
Thomas S. Monson**  
*16th President of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints*

- Was called at the age of 22 to serve as bishop of a ward with many widows
- Worked in newspaper publishing and printing
- Was a mission president in Canada



**Elder Jeffrey R. Holland**  
*Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles*

- Was a mission companion with Elder Cook in England
- Worked for the Church Educational System
- Was president of Brigham Young University



**Elder Robert D. Hales**  
*Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles*

- Grew up in New York, USA
- Pitched for his school's baseball team
- Was a jet fighter pilot in the United States Air Force



**Elder M. Russell Ballard**  
*Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles*

- Was nicknamed “the bishop” in college because of his high standards
- Ran a car dealership
- Encourages members to be missionaries



**Elder Dallin H. Oaks**  
*Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles*

- Cleaned a radio repair shop as a first job
- Became a lawyer and Utah Supreme Court judge
- Was president of Brigham Young University





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**Elder Neil L. Andersen**  
*Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles*

- Grew up on a dairy farm in Idaho, USA
- Served as a missionary and mission president in France
- Helped direct the launch of Mormon.org



**Elder D. Todd Christofferson**  
*Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles*

- Baked homemade bread for his family growing up
- Participated in the Hill Cumorah Pageant as a teenager
- Served a mission in Argentina with Elder Scott as his mission president



**Elder Dale G. Renlund**  
*Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles*

- His middle name, Gunnar, means "brave soldier"
- Moved to Sweden as a teenager
- Worked as a heart doctor



**Elder Quentin L. Cook**  
*Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles*

- Gained a testimony after praying with his older brother
- Was student-body president in junior high, with his future wife, Mary, as vice-president
- Was a Church leader in the Philippines and the Pacific



**Elder Gary E. Stevenson**  
*Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles*

- Served as a missionary and mission president in Japan
- Started a business making exercise equipment
- Served as bishop over the whole Church



**Elder David A. Bednar**  
*Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles*

- Was a quarterback on his high school football team
- After serving a mission, baptized his father a member of the Church
- Was president of Ricks College, now Brigham Young University-Idaho



**Elder Ronald A. Rasband**  
*Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles*

- Was mission president in New York City
- Has motto "It's people that matter most"
- Dedicated the first LDS Church building in the Czech Republic

