



# FIND, TAKE, TEACH:

Join the Temple  
Challenge

*The challenge has been extended—  
have you accepted it?*

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Elder Neil L. Andersen of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles has invited the youth to “prepare as many names for the temple as baptisms you perform in the temple, and help someone else to do the same.”<sup>1</sup> Elder Dale G. Renlund of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles also promised that participating in this Apostolic challenge can bring spiritual protection and healing for families.<sup>2</sup>

Think about it—Apostles of the Lord have encouraged everyone to join in family history work by taking their own family names to the temple. Wouldn't it be great if every ordinance you performed in the temple was for your own family? Elder Andersen has invited youth around the world to do just that *and* to help friends and family do the same.

As you accept this challenge, you can feel the Spirit, increase your testimony, and enhance your temple experience. Not sure how to start? Let's break the challenge down step by step:

### FIND

First, find names to take to the temple and add them on **FamilySearch.org**. If you have over four generations complete, try FamilySearch's Descendancy view. Or if your family tree is pretty empty, you can start by checking out **FamilySearch.org/findnames**.

### TAKE

After reserving and printing the ordinances through FamilySearch.org, then, with a recommend, you can take the names to the temple for baptisms and confirmations! Invite endowed family or friends to complete the rest of the ordinances, or submit them to temples through FamilySearch to have the work done.

### TEACH

Share the joy of family history with those around you! Have a family history night with your friends, or sit down with your parents and siblings and fill out your family tree together. You can share your experience on social media using **#TempleChallenge**.

### Are You Ready?

No matter your experiences with family history, there are many ways that you can participate in the challenge. Think about how you can help the Lord's work move forward today. ■

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#### NOTES

1. Neil L. Andersen, "Is Anything Too Hard for the Lord?" (address at RootsTech conference, Feb. 14, 2015), [lds.org/topics/family-history](http://lds.org/topics/family-history).
2. See Dale G. Renlund, in "Opening General Session" (address at RootsTech conference, Feb. 6, 2016), [lds.org/topics/family-history](http://lds.org/topics/family-history).



"You are sons and daughters of God, children of the covenant, and builders of the kingdom. You need not wait . . . to fulfill your responsibility to assist in the work of salvation for the human family."

Elder David A. Bednar of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, "The Hearts of the Children Shall Turn," *Ensign or Liahona*, Nov. 2011, 26.

### A CHALLENGE MET

"I'd heard the promises and blessings that would be given to me if I accepted the temple challenge, and so I decided to put those words to the test. I strongly felt the Spirit and I knew that on the other side of the veil, other spirits were just as excited."

Wesley R., France

Accept, accomplish, and share the challenge at **[templechallenge.lds.org](http://templechallenge.lds.org)**. Share your experience with **#TempleChallenge**.