

WORLD BRIEFS

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In preparation for a new website, those who direct the Addiction Recovery Program (meeting shown here) are seeking personal stories of addiction recovery.

Addiction Recovery Program Calls for Stories of Recovery and Healing

In preparation for an Addiction Recovery Program (ARP) website scheduled to debut later this year, the Church is seeking personal stories of addiction recovery.

Those who decide to share their stories should send an e-mail to arp@ldschurch.org containing the following information, which will be kept confidential:

- Full name, age, and gender
- A photo of yourself (preferred but not required)
- Your affiliation with the Church/membership status
- A brief description of your addiction or the addiction of your loved one
- An indication of your willingness to share your story through video, audio, text, or all of the above
- Your story. Include the consequences of your addiction (please do not share inappropriate detail, but do talk about the effects your addictive behavior had on you and those around you); a brief description of your life when you knew you needed help; an explanation about how you experienced healing through Christ and what you experienced when your hope was restored; and a description of your life today and the lessons and blessings you have experienced through forgiveness, repentance, and service.

Church Members in Fiji Provide Humanitarian Aid to Flood Victims

In February, three stakes in the Suva, Fiji, area held a drive to collect food, household items, and school supplies for flood victims in northern and western Fiji.

Fiji was hit by continuous heavy rainfall earlier in the year, causing widespread flooding and localized landslides in the western and northern areas. Flooding led to several deaths and forced thousands to evacuate their homes.

As the floods raged through the western and northern regions of Fiji, local Church leaders immediately opened up meetinghouses as evacuation centers for people whose homes were in the path of the flood.

Elder Taniela Wakolo, Area Seventy and the Church's Fiji Service Center manager, initiated the drive on February 6, shortly after local Church leaders were alerted about the flood. Members collected and sorted food, clothing, bedding, kitchenware, and school supplies; the items were then allocated to people in need.

To read more of these and other stories, visit news.lds.org. ■



Elder Steven E. Snow will step completely into the role of Church Historian and Recorder later this year.

Elder Steven E. Snow Called as Church Historian

The First Presidency recently announced the call of Elder Steven E. Snow of the Presidency of the Seventy as Church Historian and Recorder, a role previously filled by Elder Marlin K. Jensen of the Seventy.

Elder Snow has been released from the Presidency of the Seventy, and Elder Jensen will be given emeritus status at the October 2012 general conference.

Until then, Elder Snow and Elder Jensen will work together for training and transition purposes. ■