



Elder Taylor G. Godoy

General Authority Seventy

Several years into his profession, Elder Taylor G. Godoy found himself at a crossroads.

He was working as a dentist, establishing a practice, and anticipating a future in academics teaching dental surgery. But a beloved and trusted priesthood leader invited him to work for Seminaries and Institutes.

Leaving a burgeoning career was an interesting choice for the young dentist, who was sustained on April 1, 2017, as a General Authority Seventy. Many of his colleagues wondered how he could walk away from the profession.

“But I knew it was the right choice,” he said. Such faithful certainty defines the Church convert. Helping others discover and come to love the gospel has proven to be a life-defining opportunity and blessing.

During his Church education career, Elder Godoy worked as an institute teacher, coordinator, director, and country director. Most recently, he was the South America Northwest Seminaries and Institutes area director.

Taylor Guillermo Godoy Atanacio was born in Lima, Peru, in 1968, to Taylor Godoy and Adalzahinda Atanacio. His father died when he was a young boy, and his beloved stepfather, Elias Rebaza, raised him. Elder Godoy joined the Church when he was 17.

After serving in the Peru Lima North Mission, he returned to his hometown of Arequipa. There he developed a friendship with a young woman named Carol Pacheco. The fellow converts were married on May 31, 1994, in the Lima Peru Temple. They are the parents of two children.

Elder Godoy earned a bachelor’s degree in dentistry from the Catholic University of Santa Maria in 1993 and a master’s degree in administration from the Technical University of Madrid in 2006.

He has served as bishop, high councilor, stake president, area public affairs director, and Area Seventy. ■



Elder Joni L. Koch

General Authority Seventy

Elder Joni Luiz Koch is a second-generation member of the Church from Brazil. His parents, Luiz and Etelca Gascho Koch, visited a variety of local churches in the early years of their marriage to find spiritual truth.

Hours after his mother had offered a heartfelt prayer and promised to follow God, missionaries arrived at his parents’ door. In less than six months, they were baptized.

Born in 1962, Elder Koch grew up in Joinville, Santa Catarina, Brazil. The influence of Church leaders, such as a dedicated Primary teacher, a fatherly bishop, and a valiant stake president, helped him commit to live the gospel.

After completing a full-time mission in the Brazil São Paulo North Mission, Elder Koch studied statistics at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, USA. “On a trip back to Brazil, I visited the ward of a friend, where I met my future wife,” said Elder Koch. “She walked up to me and asked me if I was married.” After an eight-month, long-distance courtship—and only 15 actual days together—he married Liliame Michele Ludwig on April 26, 1988, in the São Paulo Brazil Temple. They have two children.

After graduating from BYU and earning an executive master of business administration degree, Elder Koch worked in international logistics. Over the span of 25 years, he worked for a variety of companies until called to serve full-time for the Church.

Elder Koch has served as bishop, stake president, and Area Seventy. He was serving as president of the Mozambique Maputo Mission at the time of his call as a General Authority Seventy.

“My testimony was built gradually over time through spiritual experiences received through gospel living,” said Elder Koch. “The Book of Mormon is one of the main elements in the strength of my testimony of the Lord Jesus Christ, His Church, and the Prophet Joseph Smith.” ■



**Elder Adilson
de Paula Parrella**

General Authority Seventy

When Elder Adilson de Paula Parrella was eight years old, the missionaries began teaching his family about the Prophet Joseph Smith and the Restoration of the gospel.

“Even as a child, I had no question that Joseph Smith had in fact seen God and Jesus Christ,” said Elder Parrella, who was sustained on April 1, 2017, as a General Authority Seventy. “I never doubted that from then on.”

Elder Parrella was born in 1962 in Guarujá, Brazil, on the Atlantic coast near São Paulo, to Fioravante and Vany de Paula Parrella.

Each of his two older brothers served missions. Their examples and that of a loving bishop, Angelino Borges de Freitas, who mentored him in how to be an Aaronic Priesthood holder, sparked in him a desire to serve a full-time mission. Missionary service reinforced to him “the reality of God and His Son and that all of us are children of God.”

After serving in the Brazil Porto Alegre Mission, Elder Parrella attended Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, USA, where he earned a bachelor’s degree in communication and a master of business administration degree. He worked as the managing director at Kodak Polychrome Graphics and as a partner at Korn Ferry International. Most recently he was a partner at Caldwell Partners.

He married Elaine Finholdt in December 1988 in the São Paulo Brazil Temple. They are the parents of five sons.

Elder Parrella has served as branch president, bishop, high councilor, counselor in a stake presidency, Area Seventy, and president of the Brazil Belo Horizonte Mission from 2009 to 2012.

Ever since he met the missionaries, his life has been a journey to understand the feeling he experienced as an eight-year-old. Attending church, continuing to learn from the word of God, and striving to live the commandments have helped broaden his vision from the glimpse of truth he was given as a child. “This truly is the kingdom of God on the earth,” he said. ■



Elder John C. Pingree Jr.

General Authority Seventy

“My testimony has been built over time, little by little, through receiving answers to prayers, feeling the Spirit while reading scriptures, repenting, and serving the Lord,” said Elder John C. Pingree Jr., who was sustained on April 1, 2017, as a General Authority Seventy.

Born in 1966 in Salt Lake City Utah, USA, to Carmen and John C. Pingree Sr., he credits the devotion of his parents in helping to shape his life.

“The day after I was born, my father wrote me a letter,” Elder Pingree said. “He saved that letter, and later, when I left to serve a full-time mission, he mailed it to me. The letter contained several pages of his testimony and lessons he wanted me to learn during my life. As I read it, the Spirit bore witness to me that what I had been taught about the restored gospel of Jesus Christ by my parents was truth.”

Elder Pingree served in the Massachusetts Boston Mission, Spanish-speaking.

He received degrees in English and political science from the University of Utah and a master of business administration degree from Harvard Business School. He married Anne Pugsley in March 1990, and they are the parents of five children.

Much of his career focused on helping others. He was president of a medical humanitarian aid organization and a vice president at two health care companies.

He was president of the Texas Houston Mission from 2011 to 2014 and has served as an Area Seventy, stake president, bishop, elders quorum president, and institute and seminary teacher.

“The Lord says, ‘If you desire, you shall be the means of doing much good in this generation’ (D&C 11:8),” Elder Pingree said. “To me, the Lord is saying, ‘I can use you to do some good in other people’s lives, if you will let me.’ If we look for opportunities, Heavenly Father will use us to bless somebody else.” ■



Elder Brian K. Taylor

General Authority Seventy

Brian King Taylor was sustained as a General Authority Seventy on April 1, 2017.

Elder Taylor was born in 1964 in Ogden, Utah, USA, to Lowell Moon and Marie King Taylor. He grew up in nearby Kaysville, the fourth in a family of five children that loved fishing and sports.

His older brother Craig had a basketball scholarship at Utah State University in Logan, Utah, and was trying to decide whether to serve a mission or continue his college career.

“One night at dinner I said [to him], ‘Hey, if you go on a mission, I’ll go on a mission,’” Elder Taylor recalled. Both brothers ended up serving, with Elder Taylor going to the Spain Seville Mission.

Before his mission, Elder Taylor played on the Brigham Young University basketball team from 1982 to 1984 with Devin G. Durrant, who is currently serving as a member of the Sunday School General Presidency. After his mission, he played two more years, from 1986 to 1988.

He also met his wife-to-be, Jill Featherstone, at BYU. She was teaching the Gospel Doctrine class in her student ward. Invited by his brother, Elder Taylor visited her class and met her. A romance blossomed, and they were married on April 30, 1987, in the Salt Lake Temple. They are the parents of seven children.

Sister Taylor is the only daughter out of seven children of Elder Vaughn J. Featherstone, emeritus General Authority, and Sister Merlene Featherstone. “They were just really accepting and kind,” Elder Taylor said of his in-laws. “I felt immediately loved.”

With a bachelor’s degree from BYU, Elder Taylor has built a number of businesses, including a company that designed software to coordinate emergency calls between public safety agencies.

He has served as institute teacher, high councilor, ward Young Men president, stake president, and, at the time of his call to the Seventy, president of the Texas Dallas Mission. ■



Elder Taniela B. Wakolo

General Authority Seventy

Elder Taniela Biu Wakolo has dedicated every day of his life since his baptism in March 1994 to serving the Lord.

Born in 1967 on the small island of Lomaloma, Lau, Fiji, to Taniela Vosa and Temalesi Buadromo Wakolo, Elder Wakolo was the youngest of six children. “I was raised in a very humble home, but we were rich in terms of the love we had for each other,” he said.

At age 12, Elder Wakolo left his parents’ home to attend boarding school with more than 500 young men, ages 12 to 19. “That was great training ground for me,” he said. “It is where I learned self-discipline.”

He dated Anita Herberta Moimoi, a recent convert, for more than a year. They married on August 22, 1987, in Suva, Fiji.

Conversion didn’t come overnight for Elder Wakolo, and over the first eight years of the couple’s marriage, he met with many missionaries. “I completed the [missionary] discussions four times in eight years,” he said. “I have 24 missionaries.”

It was a simple question from one of those missionaries about the name of the Church that changed his mind about baptism. “The Church needs to be named after its owner,” he said. “That was it for me.”

Elder Wakolo and his wife were sealed in the Nuku’alofa Tonga Temple in 1995. They are the parents of two children.

Service opportunities quickly followed his baptism. Two weeks after his baptism, he was called to the ward Young Men presidency and to co-teach seminary with his wife. After less than a year, he accepted the call to serve as branch president. He later served as counselor in a stake presidency, stake president, and Area Seventy. At the time of his call as a General Authority Seventy, he was presiding over the Arkansas Little Rock Mission.

Elder Wakolo studied management and public administration and earned a master’s degree in management. Most recently, he was the manager at the Church’s Fiji Service Center. ■



Jean B. Bingham

Relief Society General President

Having lived in several locations in the United States, Sister Jean B. Bingham appreciates how the gospel provides a stable influence during changes in environment.

Born in 1952 in Provo, Utah, USA, to Robert and Edith Joy Barrus, she grew up with six sisters and two brothers. She attended elementary school in Texas and Minnesota, USA, and finished high school in New Jersey. She and her siblings were the only LDS students in their schools until they moved to New Jersey, where she was delighted to discover a girl from her new ward in her class.

After she and Bruce Bingham married in the Provo Utah Temple on December 22, 1972, they moved to Illinois to continue his schooling.

Two children were born to Brother and Sister Bingham, and they claim as their own others whom they have fostered. She earned an associate degree in family living, and when their youngest child was in high school, she returned to school and earned a master's degree in teaching.

Sister Bingham's first calling in Relief Society came shortly after the birth of her first child. "I was called to teach the mother education lessons. It was a great opportunity to learn from the examples of other sisters as well as the manual."

Sister Bingham traveled extensively during her service as a Primary general board member and as a counselor in the Primary General Presidency. She has seen the challenges and blessings of being a member of the Church in areas across the globe.

She hopes Relief Society sisters will recognize the goodness in one another. "It's a temptation to compare ourselves with others, which is counterproductive and opposite of what Heavenly Father wants for us." She says that Relief Society helps each sister develop an understanding of who she is in the eternal realm. "When we center our lives on Jesus Christ, we really know who we are," she said. ■



Sharon Eubank

*First Counselor, Relief Society
General Presidency*

As a new employee with LDS Humanitarian Services, Sharon Eubank witnessed misery, sadness, and grief that made it hard for her to function. Through prayer, she came to understand that although she could help the Lord take care of His children, she was not in charge of that sorrow. "Jesus Christ is in charge. He will bear this burden. They are His people, and He hears and answers their prayers." That answer changed her ability to reach out and serve.

Years later, Sister Eubank, as the director of LDS Charities—the humanitarian arm of the Church—has delivered aid and promoted self-reliance to those in need across the globe.

Sustained on April 1, 2017, to the Relief Society General Presidency, she will continue in her role as director of LDS Charities. There is a "great link" between LDS Charities and Relief Society, where members of the Relief Society General Presidency sit on the board of directors for LDS Charities, she explained. Her responsibilities with both organizations will strengthen that link.

Born in 1963 in Redding, California, USA, Sharon is the oldest of Mark and Jean Eubank's seven children. Raised in Bountiful, Utah, USA, Sister Eubank grew up on a 10-acre (4 ha) plot of land where the Eubank children picked apricots, repaired sprinklers, and had close access to Utah's mountains.

Sister Eubank received her bachelor's degree in English and history from Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, and served in the Finland Helsinki Mission.

In addition to her work with the Church's Welfare Department, Sister Eubank worked on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C., USA, was co-owner of a small business, and lived abroad in Japan and France.

Each opportunity was a "leap of faith" that helped her learn the skills she uses today, allowed her to meet wonderful people inside and outside of the Church, and gave her a love and appreciation for many of the world's cultures, languages, and foods. ■



Reyna I. Aburto

*Second Counselor, Relief Society
General Presidency*

Sister Reyna I. Aburto was born in Managua, Nicaragua, to Noel Blanco and Delbi Cardoza in 1963. “My parents always worked hard so they could provide for us,” Sister Aburto said. “I had a very happy childhood.”

Just past midnight on December 23, 1972, when she was nine years old, an earthquake struck Managua. “I was saved because there was a piece of furniture behind me, but my legs were trapped.” Hearing her and her mother’s screams, neighbors came to pull them from the destroyed adobe house. In the wreckage, they found the body of her older brother in the bed next to hers. “Material possessions are just so temporary, but the important thing is our family,” she said.

When she was 21, Sister Aburto immigrated to the United States with her family. While living in San Francisco, California, she was introduced to missionaries and decided to come to church. “As soon as I stepped into that building, I could feel the Spirit. It was stake conference, and I felt that every single message was for me,” she said. She was baptized in 1989.

During this time she met Carlos Aburto, and they became friends. They continued to correspond, even when Sister Aburto moved to Orem, Utah. They married on May 8, 1993, in the Jordan River Utah Temple. They are the parents of three children.

Sister Aburto, sustained on April 1, 2017, to the Relief Society General Presidency, has worked in the translation industry for more than 25 years, including at Novell Inc. and Lemoine International. She and her husband now own a small translation agency. She studied industrial engineering at Central American University in Managua, Nicaragua, for four years and earned an associate degree in computer science from Utah Valley State College in 1997.

Sister Aburto has served in a wide variety of Church callings, including Primary general board member from 2012 to 2016. ■



Cristina B. Franco

*Second Counselor, Primary
General Presidency*

At a young age, Sister Cristina B. Franco learned that if she had a question, she could turn to Heavenly Father in prayer for an answer.

“I remember going to my mom when I was 11 or so and asking her a doctrinal question,” she said. “She answered my question but told me, ‘You don’t have to take my word for it.’ So I prayed and asked my Heavenly Father if it was true.”

Her prayer was answered, and from then on she knew she had a Heavenly Father who loved her and would answer her prayers.

Sustained on April 1, 2017, to the Primary General Presidency, Cristina Beatriz Fraga was born in 1958 to Hugo R. and Maria A. Godoy Fraga in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

When she was three years old, missionaries knocked on her parents’ door. After studying and attending church for about eight months, the couple joined the Church and began raising their family in the gospel. In Primary she met Rodolfo C. Franco, a child who later became her best friend.

When she was 18, Sister Franco’s family moved to Utah, USA. At that time, she and Rodolfo knew they wanted to marry, but Rodolfo was required to serve in the Argentine military for a time. The two wrote letters, and when he completed his military service, they married on December 15, 1978, in the Salt Lake Temple. They are the parents of three sons.

Following in the footsteps of Sister Franco’s father, a watchmaker, the couple worked at a watch and clock shop in Salt Lake City for nearly three decades.

Sister Franco has served in many capacities in the Church. She served on the Primary general board from 2005 to 2010 and, at the time of her call to the Primary General Presidency, was serving with her husband as he presides over the Argentina Resistencia Mission. ■



Relief Society's Purpose

The Relief Society has updated the wording in its purpose statement. It now reads, "Relief Society helps prepare women for the blessings of eternal life as they increase faith in Heavenly Father and Jesus Christ and His Atonement; strengthen individuals, families, and homes through ordinances and covenants; and work in unity to help those in need."

The statement reflects additional insights that will help Latter-day Saint women understand the divine identity, eternal work, and purpose of each sister in Relief Society. ■

New Callings Announced

During general conference, the callings of six new General Authority Seventies, a new Relief Society General Presidency, and the reorganization of the Primary General Presidency were announced.

Called to serve as General Authority Seventies were Elder Taylor G. Godoy, Elder Joni L. Koch, Elder Adilson de Paula Parrella, Elder John C. Pingree Jr., Elder Brian K. Taylor, and Elder Taniela B. Wakolo.

Jean B. Bingham will serve as Relief Society General President, with Sharon

Eubank as First Counselor and Reyna I. Aburto as Second Counselor. Prior to her call, Sister Bingham was serving as First Counselor in the Primary General Presidency. Bonnie H. Cordon, who was serving as Second Counselor in the Primary General Presidency, was announced as the new First Counselor, with Cristina B. Franco as Second Counselor.

Biographies are found starting on page 135. The callings of 36 Area Seventies were also announced (see page 44). ■

Five New Temples

President Thomas S. Monson announced plans to build five additional temples, located in the following cities:

Brasília, Brazil. The Brasília Brazil Temple will be the 10th temple in Brazil, including six temples in operation and three others announced or under construction. Aside from the United States and Mexico, more Latter-day Saints (more than 1.3 million) live in Brazil than any other country. Brazil has a population of about 211 million.

Greater Manila, Philippines. This temple will be the second in Manila and the fourth in the Philippines. There are nearly 750,000 Latter-day Saints in the Philippines, which has a population of 104 million.

Nairobi, Kenya. The temple will serve more than 30,000 members in eastern Africa, including 13,000 members in Kenya, which has a population of 48 million. It will bring to eight the number of temples operating, under construction, or announced in Africa.

Pocatello, Idaho, USA. The Pocatello Idaho Temple will be the sixth temple in Idaho, a state with approximately 450,000 Latter-day Saints and a population of 1.7 million.

Saratoga Springs, Utah, USA. This temple will be found in one of the fastest-growing areas in Utah and will become the 18th temple in the state. Utah, where Church headquarters is located, has 2.1 million members, with a state population of about 3.1 million.

The five temples announced bring the total number of operating temples (155) and temples announced or under construction/renovation (27) to 182 temples worldwide.

Since the October 2016 general conference, the Fort Collins Colorado Temple, the Star Valley Wyoming Temple, and the Hartford Connecticut Temple in the USA have been dedicated, and the Suva Fiji Temple has been rededicated.

Future dedications are planned as indicated below:

TEMPLE	DEDICATION DATE
Paris France	May 21, 2017
Idaho Falls Idaho (USA)	June 4, 2017 (rededication)
Tucson Arizona (USA)	August 13, 2017
Meridian Idaho (USA)	November 19, 2017
Cedar City Utah (USA)	December 10, 2017

Ground has been broken for the Winnipeg Manitoba Temple (Canada), the Kinshasa Democratic Republic of the Congo Temple, the Barranquilla Colombia Temple, the Arequipa Peru Temple, and the Rio de Janeiro Brazil Temple.

Also of note, as construction of the Rome Italy Temple continues, statues of Jesus Christ and the original Twelve Apostles were placed in the visitors' center, and a statue of the angel Moroni was placed on the spire. ■

Find updates and information at temples.lds.org.

Pathway to Education

The First Presidency has announced the creation of a new global higher education organization in the Church, called BYU-Pathway Worldwide. The new organization will begin operating on May 1, 2017. The organization will provide educational opportunities to those who would not otherwise have them.

“Pathway is a bridge to the world of online college education and a pathway to opportunities for a successful livelihood,” said President Dieter F. Uchtdorf, Second Counselor in the First Presidency. ■

Find more information at pathway.lds.org.



Apostles' Worldwide Ministry Continues

Prophets and apostles continue to minister throughout the world (see D&C 107:23). During the last six months:

In a Face to Face broadcast originating in **Palmyra, New York, USA**, President Henry B. Eyring and Elder Jeffrey R. Holland encouraged youth of the Church to gain a personal testimony. “Come to know for yourself that these things are true,” President Eyring said.

In **Mexico**, President Russell M. Nelson was introduced in the national Chamber of Deputies (the lower house of Congress), and the Church was praised for the good it has done in defending religious freedom and in strengthening families. President Nelson also met with members and missionaries and said that members “are an active force for good in their communities.”

In **Arizona, USA**, Elder Dallin H. Oaks urged all Church members to defend religious freedom. (Find more information at religiousfreedom.lds.org.)

President Dieter F. Uchtdorf spoke to members of the Parleys Creek (Swahili) Branch in **Salt Lake City, Utah, USA**. Many of the branch members are refugees from African nations, and President Uchtdorf has twice been a refugee himself. “Always remember that wherever we are, the gospel is home,” he said.



Clockwise, from top left: Elder Bednar visits with Church members in the Philippines; President Russell M. Nelson meets with members of the Chamber of Deputies (the lower house of the Mexican Congress) to discuss religious freedom; a distinguished gathering of Mormon and Jewish leaders from the USA visits Israeli prime minister Benjamin Netanyahu; Elder Stevenson greets a young adult serving as a counselor in a For the Strength of Youth conference in Uruguay; teens attend a live broadcast with Elder Holland and President Eyring in Palmyra, New York, USA; Elder and Sister Renlund greet sisters at a meeting in Tonga; and Elder Rasband visits a children's cancer hospital in Guatemala City, Guatemala.

Elders M. Russell Ballard and D. Todd Christofferson attended the installation ceremony for the new bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Salt Lake City and welcomed him to the community.

In the **Holy Land**, Elder Holland and Elder Quentin L. Cook joined a delegation of Latter-day Saint leaders and Jewish dignitaries from the USA who gathered at a historic site in **Jerusalem** to mark the 175th anniversary of Elder

Orson Hyde (1805–78) of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles dedicating the land as a gathering place for the Jewish people.

Elder Holland also visited with members and missionaries in **Japan, Korea, and Guam**, where “we were able to reassure them of a [bright] future,” he said. He noted that live nationwide broadcasts of devotionals “offered us the largest possible reach for our messages,” connecting with tens of thousands of members.

In **New York, USA**, Elder David A. Bednar participated in a forum on marriage, saying that one of the great tasks of our time—one on which diverse faith communities should be united—is to help people understand the true meaning and purpose of marriage.

While visiting Latter-day Saints in **Japan and Korea**, Elder Bednar said that the Church is experiencing slow but steady growth in Asia. “You can’t help but be impressed by the diligence, graciousness, and faithfulness of these Latter-day Saints,” he said. Elder Bednar also addressed thousands of Church members and taught missionaries in 7 of the Church’s 21 missions in the **Philippines**.

In **Mexico**, Elder Neil L. Andersen counseled Church members to overcome obstacles that keep them from attending the temple, observing the Sabbath, and strengthening family relationships. He invited them to bring the Savior more fully into their lives.

Elder Quentin L. Cook visited the **Philippines**, 20 years after he served there as a newly called General Authority. He said the Church in the Philippines has since doubled in size. “Where there were branches,” he said, “there are now stakes. Children we

knew then are now returned missionaries. Returned missionaries are now stake presidents. It is incredible to see the growth of the Church.”

In **Bolivia and Peru**, Elder Cook counseled members to focus on faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. He said that youth and young single adults there are exceptional and demonstrate love for the Savior and His Atonement and Resurrection.

In the **Africa West Area**, Elder Gary E. Stevenson said his visit provided an opportunity to reflect on the love and joy Latter-day Saints find in the gospel, despite the “challenges and adversity” they face.

Later, in **Uruguay, Chile, and Argentina**, Elder Stevenson spoke at a For the Strength of Youth conference. He said that many of the youth “are making decisions to go on missions and to remain steadfast with their goal to be married in the temple and . . . [gain] higher education.”

Elder Ronald A. Rasband counseled members and missionaries in the **Central America Area** to stay true to their covenants and to look to the Lord in turbulent times. He visited a children’s cancer hospital in **Guatemala**, delivered the keynote address at a Church-sponsored religious freedom symposium in **El Salvador**, and met with the president of **Nicaragua**.

In **Tonga**, Elder Dale G. Renlund met with the queen and other members of the royal family. He also visited **Australia and New Zealand**, where members asked him to convey their love to President Thomas S. Monson. ■

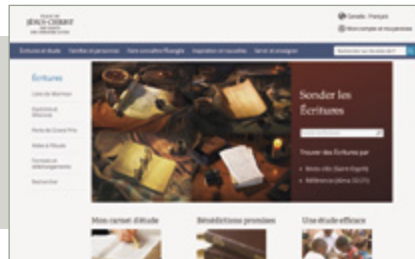
Up-to-date information on the ministry of these Church leaders can be found on their respective Facebook pages and at prophets.lds.org.

Better Missionaries, Better Teachers

In a worldwide broadcast, nearly 71,000 elders and sisters in 422 missions received training in how to be better missionaries and better teachers. Changes approved by the First Presidency and Quorum of the Twelve Apostles were announced as part of the training. A new daily schedule will allow greater flexibility in how missionaries use their time and greater adaptability according to the area where they are serving.

The purpose of the more flexible schedule is to help missionaries increase daily productivity, set more inspired goals, plan more effectively, be healthier, and use their agency to make righteous decisions about how best to spend their time. It will also allow them to be out working for a longer time.

The other change announced was a reduction of the number of “key indicators” missionaries use to report progress in their work. Missionaries were reminded that all principles in *Preach My Gospel* are important and should be applied. ■



New Products and Resources

Here is a summary of new products and resources the Church has recently made available.

Scripture stories and coloring books. To encourage individual and family scripture study, the Church is releasing new scripture stories resources, beginning with a series of coloring books designed for children ages 2–8. Free PDF versions are on scripturestories.lds.org, and printed versions can be ordered at store.lds.org and at Distribution Services centers.

The coloring books will be translated into languages that have LDS editions of the scriptures. Translated versions will become available throughout 2017, starting with Spanish, Portuguese, French, Japanese, Korean, Chinese (traditional), German, Russian, and Italian.

Scriptures. The First Presidency has announced a new translation of the triple combination of the scriptures in French, available at ecritures.lds.org and in the Gospel Library mobile app. The translation includes a minor wording change in one of the sacrament prayers. They also announced that a Croatian translation of the triple combination is available online. Printed editions of the triple combination in Croatian, Russian, and Icelandic have also recently been made available.

Help for families dealing with same-sex attraction. To help members respond sensitively and thoughtfully when they encounter same-sex attraction in their own families, among other Church members, or elsewhere, resources include the new site mormonandgay.lds.org and an updated Gospel Topic on same-sex attraction (in English), including frequently asked questions and Church teachings.

Updated Gospel Library app. The app, used by members worldwide to study the scriptures, conference talks, and other materials, recently released a major update for both iOS and Android. In version 4, study tools are more intuitive, features and functionality are more unified, and new video tutorials are available. Because all content is now annotatable, you can highlight, add comments to, link, tag, and organize all content into notebooks. You can annotate videos, scripture chapter headings and study helps, lists in various lesson manuals, hymns and Primary songs, and more.

Updated LDS Tools app. Version 3.2.0 of the LDS Tools mobile app makes it easier to attend the temple. Added features allow members to see their assigned temple, find the five nearest temples, contact a temple or learn when it is scheduled to close, and be reminded before their recommend expires. ■

Teaching in the Savior's Way

“We all want to teach like Jesus taught,” Elder Jeffrey R. Holland of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles said during a worldwide broadcast for teachers on November 5, 2016. “His instruction was simple and direct and powerful.”

Elder Holland said that the resource *Teaching in the Savior's Way* helps improve teaching in the Church. So do teacher council meetings and new-teacher orientation, which were discussed during the broadcast. The broadcast is available in 10 languages at teach.lds.org, along with a variety of videos and other materials to strengthen teaching. ■

