



## 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). ■