



Mark L. Pace

Sunday School General President

With an interview set for what would be a call to serve as the Church's new Sunday School General President, Brother Mark L. Pace offered a prayerful commitment.

"Heavenly Father, whatever Thou wouldst have me do, I'm happy to do it," he prayed. "Just know that I'm all in."

Brother Pace says his main desire in his new calling is to bless, support, and encourage members of the Church. "We want to give everything we have," he said of the new Sunday School General Presidency.

Mark Leonard Pace was born on January 1, 1957, in Buenos Aires, Argentina, to Lorin Nelson and Marylynn Haymore Pace. At the time, Brother Pace's father was presiding over the Argentine Mission.

Brother Pace met his future wife, Anne Marie Langeland, while the two were second-grade classmates in Salt Lake City, Utah, USA. Later, while attending different high schools in the city, they reconnected during a combined seminary activity. They wrote each other for the next few years as she accompanied her family to Norway, where her father presided over the Norway Oslo Mission, and while Brother Pace served in the Spain Madrid Mission. They were married in the Salt Lake Temple on November 21, 1978, and are the parents of seven children.

Brother Pace graduated with a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Utah in 1980 and with a master of business administration degree from the Harvard Business School in 1982. After brief employment with Price Waterhouse in New York City, he joined the Boyer Company in Salt Lake City, working in commercial real estate development from 1984 to 2012. Following a three-year assignment as president of the Spain Barcelona Mission, he joined Gardner Company in 2015, doing real estate development.

At the time of his new calling, Brother Pace was serving as an Area Seventy. His previous Church callings include counselor in a stake presidency, high councilor, bishop, counselor in a bishopric, elders quorum president, ward Young Men president, and Scoutmaster. ■