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President Thomas S. Monson speaks during the Sunday afternoon session of general conference.

"Two Glorious Days of Inspired Messages"

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President Thomas S. Monson said at the conclusion of the 184th Semiannual General Conference on Sunday, October 5, 2014.

Those messages included the importance of developing a testimony that will enable you to endure all circumstances; following the path of the Savior and becoming a devoted disciple; following and sustaining the prophets; using agency wisely; and making the home a place of love, safety, example, and gospel learning.

In his opening remarks on Saturday, President Monson noted that the Church continues to grow. "We are now more than 15 million strong and increasing in numbers," President Monson said. "Our missionary efforts are going forward unhindered. We have over 88,000 missionaries serving, sharing the gospel message the world over."

At the Saturday afternoon session, Elder Carlos H. Amado and Elder William R. Walker of the First

Quorum of the Seventy were released and granted emeritus status. Elder Arayik V. Minasyan and Elder Gvido Senkans were released as Area Seventies.

For the first time in general conference, some speakers whose primary language is not English delivered their addresses in their native tongue. Elder Chi Hong (Sam) Wong spoke in Cantonese, Elder Eduardo Gavarret and Elder Hugo E. Martinez in Spanish, and Elder Carlos A. Godoy in Portuguese.

Crowds filled the 21,000-seat
Conference Center and overflow areas
on Temple Square in Salt Lake City,
Utah, USA, for each of the conference
sessions, which were translated into
more than 90 languages and broadcast to more than 170 countries and
territories. In addition, proceedings
were available on television, radio,
satellite transmission, and the Internet,
including mobile devices. This conference marked the 90-year anniversary
of radio broadcasts and the 65-year
anniversary of television broadcasts
of conference.

Film about Joseph Smith Now on Hulu

illions of people now have access to a Church-produced movie honoring the Prophet Joseph Smith: The Prophet of the Restoration, a film that depicts the life and legacy of the Prophet, is now available for viewing free of charge on Hulu, a website offering streaming video.

The movie is the first Church film to penetrate an exclusive, major distribution channel like Hulu, where some 4 million subscribers can watch on-demand, streaming video through Roku, Apple TV, Xbox, PlayStation, and smartphones and tablets that connect to the Internet. Having the film on Hulu not only makes it more accessible for Church members, but it also provides an opportunity for more people who are not LDS to watch and learn more about the Church.

Members who watch, leave comments, and rate the movie can make the movie easier for others to find. ■