



WHAT YOUTH THINK



My first experience in the temple was extraordinary. I traveled with the youth to the Madrid Spain Temple. When I was baptized for my ancestors, I felt the Spirit of God even after we left the baptismal font. I will never forget those precious memories.

Dani F., 17, Ilfov, Romania



When I think of the temple I feel happy, and I am happy to be worthy to enter. Going to the temple helps us to get closer to Heavenly Father.

Valentina R., 16, Lazio, Italy



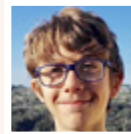
I feel blessed and happy because there is a temple close to Malta! Now I have a better opportunity to enter the house of the Lord and to perform baptisms for the dead, especially for members of my own family.

Khaniel P., 12, Malta



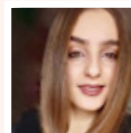
I am excited to know that there is a new temple near my country. I have never been to the temple, but I know it's an honor to receive blessings there. I'm excited to visit the Rome Italy Temple and feel the Spirit there.

Daisy D., 19, Larnaca, Cyprus



I've only been to the temple once in my life. It was two years ago in the temple in Switzerland. I remember the beautiful feelings of peace and joy I had there. I cannot wait to go to the temple in Rome so I can feel those wonderful feelings again.

Gabriele G., 14, Lazio, Italy



In the temple, we can be sealed as couples, as families, and with ancestors who have passed on. For me, the greatest blessing I can imagine is that our family relationships can continue for eternity.

Jonida Q., 17, Korçë, Albania



RELIGIOUS AND CULTURAL CENTER

The Rome Italy Temple is part of a religious and cultural center that includes a multifunctional meetinghouse, a visitors center, a family history center, and housing for visitors.

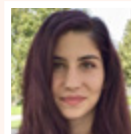
DEVOTIONAL and DEDICATION

A youth devotional will be held on **Saturday, March 9, 2019**, and will be broadcast to all units in the Rome Italy Temple district. The temple will be dedicated the next day, on **Sunday, March 10**, and dedicatory sessions will continue through **Tuesday, March 12**.

For more comments from youth, go to youth.lds.org.

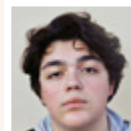
If you live in the Rome Italy Temple district, we'd love to hear from you too! Send comments and a photo to newera@ldschurch.org, or add comments on youth.lds.org.

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The purpose of the temple is to bring people closer to Heavenly Father. Because of temples, we can help gather His children to Him.

Diana D., 17, Ilfov, Romania



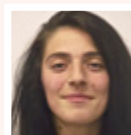
I feel very blessed by the Lord for giving us the opportunity to make covenants for ourselves and for the dead. In this way, we do a wonderful service.

Lorenzo M., 16, Sicily, Italy



Preparing to go to the temple always helps me to re-center my life around Christ. It makes me step back from my busy life and focus my thoughts on our Savior.

Lizzie T., 17, Attica, Greece



It is a huge blessing to have a temple in Rome, because it will be easier and cheaper to attend the temple, and people here in Kosovo will be able to go and do more temple work.

Fuada F., 17, Gjakova, Kosovo



When you first go to the temple, you feel like this is such a special place with wonderful energy everywhere. I am really excited to have a temple in Rome, because it means the Church is growing in this part of the world, including the Western Balkans, where I live.

Luca M., 13, Durrës, Albania



It is a privilege to enter the temple and feel closer to the Father. I am also grateful for the opportunity I have to serve the dead. Having a temple in Rome is a blessing.

But it is also a great responsibility, so I will work to respect it.

Donatella L., 15, Lazio, Italy