

Greenmount Ward

NEWSLETTER

19th July 2020

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"When personal difficulties or world conditions beyond our control darken our path, the spiritually defining memories from our book of life are like luminous stones that help brighten the road ahead."

Elder Neil L. Anderson

Bishop's Message

Hi Ward Family,

On Tuesday night I had the pleasure of meeting with President Jenkins and President Bennallack, (Perth Mission President). We discussed the Saviour, his ministry, the gospel and its impact and relevance in the world in the latter-days. We also discussed our role as members in doing this great work. We discussed the importance of inviting all, as the Saviour said "Come Follow Me" (Luke 18:22).

We know an invitation is just that, an invitation, and no guarantee all will accept, but there are many right now searching for something better, and unless we invite they may never find. The Lord knows who they are, He, needs them to further His work here on earth. In return for our service is the ultimate promised blessing of eternal life, united with family awaits us.

May I encourage members of Greenmount to prayerfully choose a friend, nonmember or less active and invite them to a missionary discussion, sacrament meeting, youth activity or other church event. Can I make a few suggestions,

- For those with a facebook account to comb through your thousands of friends or as in my case 50 friends and select one you'll like to invite.
- Invite a friend over for dinner.
- Take advantage of spontaneous teaching opportunities that arise and with courage invite them to learn more.
- Invite friends to youth activities. We have a wonderful youth program and proactive leaders with planned activities by the youth that are uplifting, fun and relevant.
- Invite a friend to watch "General Conference" or a relevant talk that may have an impact on their problems.

It has always been the intent of the Saviour to restore and re-establish his church upon the whole earth. "*Light shall break forth among them that sit in darkness, and it shall be the fullness of my gospel*" (D&C 45:28). For this work, requires willing and able church members who are now scattered across the world (3 Nephi 24 - 25). The Lord is in control and wants his elect, who are still searching, to find their way home. The Lord knows who they are, but requires us to do our part and provide an invitation and He will do the rest.

As I mentioned last week, President Nelson's comments when he calls our time the *greatest challenge, the greatest cause, and the greatest work* on earth today." May we assist in that work in any way we can.

Sincerely,
Bishop Spark



Ward Announcements

- Tithing donation statements for tax purposes can be found on LDS.org, under donations. Once logged in go to the donations page select Donor Statements on the left hand side of the page. Those without the internet please see the Ward Clerk Bro. King or one of the Bishopric members.
- Sunday church remains for those without Priesthood in the home and those with an invitation. As soon as the Bishopric has new restriction easing information, we will notify all members of any changes to Sunday the meeting program.

Ward Business

- Nil

Tithing

If you wish to pay tithing and/offering in person then please drop it off to a member of the bishopric at the chapel at 10:15 am (if you're not already attending church).

Relief Society

We want to set up a meal roster for the sister missionaries. Due to current circumstances we encourage you to contact the sister directly, on 0410 434 756, to make a meal appointment.

Morning teas will start up again this Tuesday, 21 July at 9:30 am at Naomi Holder's home.

Please be aware of your ministering people. The Relief Society presidency will be checking in soon with how things are going.

Primary

Now we are in July here is this month's primary songs to learn at home:

-“my Heavenly Father loves me”(pg 228 cs).

-“faith”(pg96)

-“as I search the holy scriptures”.(pg 277 cs)

If there are any families who would like some paper copies of the Sunday lessons for primary at home please contact sister Beckham or sister Hamilton.

We hope to be back as a primary very soon, missing you all, love primary presidency.

Elders Quorum

Elders Quorum lessons and dates:

26-07-20 A good foundation against the time to come- Gary E Stevenson

09-08-20 He goes before us- Henry B Eyring

23-08-20 The Melchizedek priesthood and the keys- Dallin H Oaks

13-09-20 Opening the heavens for help- Russell M Nelson

27-09-20 Come and belong- Dieter F Uchtdorf

11-10-20 Finding refuge from the storms of life- Ricardo P Gimenez

25-10-20 The finest homes- L Whitney Clayton



Paul Thompson - 12 July
Margs Armitage - 14 July
Sione Punaivaha - 16 July
Sharen Martin - 20 July
Melissa Edwards - 20 July
Rachel Edwards - 23 July
Rebecca Edwards - 25 July
Deborah Ralph - 26 July

Weekly “Come, Follow Me” Home Centered Learning

We encourage you to continue your home-centered learning by continuing the “Come, follow me” program. If you need a “Come, follow me” manual, please call or message Luke Holder 0435 553 357 your name and address to get one delivered to your door this week! The learning schedule:

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| 13 - 19 July Alma 32 - 35 | 20 - 26 July Alma 36 - 38 | 27 July - 2 Aug Alma 39 - 42 | 3 - 9 August Alma 43 - 52 |
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If you did not receive the business email or this newsletter via email, please contact Neville King (0412 684 403) with your email address to be added to the ward list.

If you want to add something to the newsletter then please contact Michael McIlwaine on michael.mcilwaine@gmail.com