

NOTES for SERMAN

P.V.I Ward Conference 12 NOV 1978 H. Tracy Hall

WARD GOALS by words

77-78
78-79
Genealogy, missions for couples, Forgive trespassers, magnify Callings, Temple Recommends, Sunday shopping, Ward/Stake Budget, Love in home particularly Mom/wife, Attaboy Award.

WARD STATISTICS 378 100
368 Members, 104 Families, Elders 54, 70's 3, H.P. 63, R.S. 123, A.P. 32, Y.W. 34, PRI 48, S.S. 353

TEMPLE RECOM. 168
182 ENDOWED 138 RECOMMENDS Δ = 44; last yr Δ ~ 60

GENEALOGY LAST YR. NIL according to stake records. This year running number 2. Bks. Rememb 283, Pers. Histroy 76, 4th Gen. Shts. 421

SERVING ELSEWHERE Stake 22, out of stake (except BYU) 8, Temple 15, BYU 11; i.e., Reese Hansen, Sy Felt, Sean Barnett, Dick Thurston (+ Mary Lou), Jens Jonsson, Lory Free (+ Myrtle Joy), Lavoie Merrill (+ Voniel), and Gary Browning.

MISSIONS see attached list 25 in field, 3 called, 2 in process ← 18 one yr ago
86 Adults serving elsewhere, 243 total adults leaving 157 for ward. There are 179 adult callings (20 more than persons available) in the ward.

CONF. THEME: Isaiah 54:13 " And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord: and great shall be the peace of thy children. COUPLES / OLDER SINGLES PREPARE & VOLUNTEER

BUDGET sped up stake share by April 1979

[Love at Home esp. Husb./Wife] Important to survival of the family.
→ new temple question: verbal or physical abuse. I perceive as greatly needed.
{ Different - unique - as intelligences } interest, variety, excitement
{ Viva la difference }

cloning of humans / NO!

Differences can lead to conflict - not see eye to eye in a situation

∴ need tolerance, empathy, understanding

- spiritual experiences together.

" ~~the~~ " " remembered

} strengthen our relationships.

Pres Mc Kay "My ^{worldly} success can compensate for failure in the home"

HTH No ~~success~~ worldly ^{pleasure} joy can equal the satisfaction of a successful home and the enduring love between husband and wife.

Time: for each other; ~~and~~ take it
Trips / Adventures together: have them

Read from diary

- Genealogy trips - Real adventures || Missions together - Real adventures

Isaiah 54:13 "And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord: and great shall be the peace of thy children."

[ERA letter from 1st Presidency] (ERA destructive of the home)

MISSIONARIES

Mary Lee Nielsen	Arizona Holbrook	← <u>Serving</u>
Merrill Popman	Canada Vancouver	
Greg Larsen	England Manchester	return April 79
Dale Taylor	U. Carolina Greensboro	
Mike Buckner	Hongkong	
Lara Nicky	Germany, Munich	
Walter Zeller	Swiss Temple	
El "	" "	
Jim Nielsen	Germany Frankfurt	
Jim Hill	Canada Calgary	
Brent Barnett	Germany Dusseldorf	
Lee Stout	Indiana Indianapolis	
David Moody	Louisiana Baton Rouge	
Frank Will	California San Diego	
Craig Smith	Costa Rica San Jose	
Jim Norton	San Diego Spanish	
Katherine England	El Salvador	
Craig Butler	Brazil Rio de Janeiro	
Steven Waters	Korea Pusan	
Herman Shoemaker	Guatemala City	
Phil Merrill	Calif. San Diego	
Chae Garner	Guatemala, Quetzaltenango	
Gladye "	" "	
Milton Wille	Peru, Lima	
Rhea "	" "	

BYU

Reese Hansen Stk Pres
 Ly Felt
 J. Dean Barnett Bp. 11
 Dick Thurston Bp.
 Mary Lou
 Ina Jonsson Stk Pres
 Lory Free Stk Exec Secy
 Myrtle Joy Free
 L. V. Merrill Bp.
 Voniel -
 Gary Lee Branning Hic

missions

$$\frac{30}{368} = 8.2\%$$

Stake ~~22~~ 22
 out of stake (not BYU) 8
 Temple 15

Called

Arturo DeHoyos	Germany Munich	Dec 7
Harold Colvin	Canada Calgary	Jan 25
Ruth Colvin	" "	

3

In Process

2

future couples

Ward jobs (adults) RS 39 } not counting H Teach
 Y. Mon 7 } or R.S. Vis teach.
 Y. W. Mutual 8 }
 Misc MM MM + 10 + 54 }
 Pri 26 }
 SS 29 }
 179 adult jobs
 20 doubling

30
 11
 22
 8
 15

 86 adults
 out of 243
 - 86

 157

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
 PLEASANT VIEW FIRST WARD
 EAST SHARON STAKE
 PROVO, UTAH 84601

368 members
 101 families

Sept Report abt. constant

Elders 54 54	} 18 yrs + over
70's 3	
H.P. 63	
R. Soc. 123	

Acornic Pathol 31
 young women 30
 Primary 48 enrolled
 S.S. 353 enrolled

improvement 16.

138 recommends 182 Endowed $\Delta = 44$ last yr $\Delta \sim \underline{60}$

Bks remain	283	no. 2
Personal Hist	76	"
4 gen. sh. ts.	421	no. 3
Frod Storage (12 Mon)		no. 3

Ave no. 2.

(over)

Notes

H. Tracy Hall, Bishop

ON SUFFERING

Sermon for Sac City,
PVE Ward Conf. 12 Nov 1978
Provo, Utah

Those in side, everyone (with Paul). Wd ave age 50 yrs. Increase w. age
some severe: Hyrum Babcock, Helen Kezerian, Frank Wille,
Elma Boardman Hoover Clark, ^{the negative in years} Clara Crosland, Elizabeth
^{Wesley} ^{Washburn} Packer, ^{Jennie Myers} Kerry Lynn Gardner, David Gordon, the widows, ^{& ers}
divorcee's,

→ Passed away ^{not since last wd. Conf.} this past yrs. Darwin Boardman, Pheva Waite, David Woolf,
& Donna Rae Woolf's father & parents, ^{+ loved ones} of other ward members
Renee Christensen's mother, Sis young
Donna Norton's mother, Delia Stanley
Carma Anderson's father

Why suffering? Some reject God because there is S.

Why do the righteous suffer?

Is suffering the result of sin?

Does the Lord chastize with suffering?

Does righteous living prevent suffering?

Innocent victims die in an earthquake, half of all
mankind is hungry, noble youth are killed in battle,
a fatal disease ravishes a loved one, a traffic accident
claims another. This ward has had its tragedies:
The prob. of suffering is either a paradoxical perplexity or perplexitating

answer to is yes and no

Re: Scouting
Accident
JUNE 1963

The PROPHET JOSEPH F. SMITH said (Gospel Doctrine pp69-70) "Too many
of us are inclined to think, or lean toward the feeble thought, that
the illness that comes to us, the afflictions that we suffer, the accidents
we meet with in life, and the troubles that beset us on our way in
the journey of life, are attributable either to the mercy or displeasure
of God. Sometimes we are prone to charge God with
causing our afflictions and our troubles, but if we could

could.

see as God sees, if we could understand as he understands, if we could trace the effects back to the cause, and that truly, by the spirit of correct understanding, we could unquestionably discover that our troubles or suffering, or afflictions are the result of our own ⁱⁿdiscretion or lack of knowledge, or of wisdom. It was not the hand of God that put affliction and trouble upon us. "

ON THE OTHER HAND

THE SAVIOUR SAID (JOHN 9.2) after being asked by his disciples master, who did sin, this man, or his parents that he was born blind? Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him. ---
spittle / clay / anointing eyes - and washed and came seeing.

JOSEPH SMITH THE PROPHET while a prisoner in the jail at Liberty, Mo. cried fervently to the Lord in behalf of the suffering saints:
Section 121 D+C Vnos! - 10 also 122:5-9

JOB "There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job: and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and shunned evil. Thus begins the ^{great} ~~longest~~ ^{lengthiest} biblical treatise on human suffering. ^{Job is subjected to loss of children and possessions} ~~Job's possessions~~ and children are lost; then he is smitten with a loathsome disease; he curses the day he was born & calls for death; He debates three friends as to the reasons for suffering. finally he desires to meet God face to face and obtain the answers. God The Lord answers Job out of the whirlwind but not

as Job expected. God does not even allude to Job's sufferings but bids ^{him} Job to observe the mystery and wonder of God's creations and asks if he (Job) could make any of these things or even understand them.

Job had never ^{wavered} ~~wavered~~, ⁱⁿ testimony during his ordeals. He knew that his redeemer ^{lives} ~~lived~~ "and though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God."

It seems that Job's questions ^{were} ~~are~~ not answered ^{but} ~~and~~ ^{perhaps} in a larger view, ^{were} probably irrelevant anyway. ^{at} ~~at~~ ^{consequently} ~~any rate~~, the personal revelation, received "out of the whirlwind" completely satisfied Job. ^{him}. ~~As a child of God, he was to~~

Paraphrasing our Ward Conference Theme: He was taught of the Lord: and great was his peace.

What then is the answer to ^{the problem of} earthly suffering? TRUST, pure and simple and only. only TRUST. The ~~the~~ ~~IN~~ ~~GOI~~ answer is found on the penny "In God We Trust", on the dime I.G.W.T., on the dollar bill I.G.W.T. or, in fact, on every denomination of money that ^{our} the U.S. Gov't issues. Ask ^{Bill and} Donna Rae Woolf how ^{they} ~~she~~ found ^{their} ~~her~~ answers to suffering. I aver that ^{they} ~~she~~, like Job, trusted God implicitly and furthermore, like Job, received, "out of the whirlwind" ~~the~~ personal revelation germane to their ~~unique~~ circumstance.

what I have concluded applies to the ultimate answer ^{of} the problem of suffering. I have presupposed presumed that family members, first, and ward members, second, have, ^{already} justified themselves to in ~~reducing~~ ~~alleviating~~ suffering to the utmost possible by human means, by their baptismal covenant; ^{of Mosiah 18:8} i.e. to wit, "and are willing to bear one anothers burdens that they may be light" (~~Mosiah 18:8~~).

Communal Ward on "bearing one anothers" burdens.

Bless w. peace - ^{the} peace that surpasseth understanding.