

Notice: Our Pleasant View First Ward Christmas party will be held on Thursday, December 15th from 3:30-4:30 pm. A STRING ORCHESTRA rehearsal for the party will be held at the Goodman's on Sunday, December 4th at 3:00 pm. If you play a string instrument, please come to the rehearsal.

PLEASANT VIEW FIRST WARD NEWS

Provo, Utah, Friday,
December 2, 1988

The meetings listed below all occur on the first Sunday of the month, December 4, 1988 unless otherwise indicated.

GENERAL MEETINGS

Fst Mtg. 09:00-10:10 am
Sun. Schl. 09:20-11:00 am
Primary 10:20-12:00 am
Psthd.
Relf. Soc.
YM & YW 11:10-12:00 am

OTHER SUNDAY MEETINGS

Bishopric 07:30-08:15 am
Psthd. Ex. 08:15-08:45 am
Pray Mtg. 08:45-08:50 am
Youth Ldrs 12:15-01:00 pm
YM Ldrs. 01:15-01:45 pm
Sun. School
Stwrdshp. 03:30-04:00 pm
Choir 04:00-05:00 pm

TESTIMONY MEETING HYMNS

205 Once In Royal David's ..
189 O Thou Before The ...
206 Away In A Manger

FIRST PRESIDENCY

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

KBYU—TV Dec. 4th at 8:00 pm

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Tamara Taylor Dec. 4th
Ben Harrison Dec. 6th
Jan Hilton Dec. 6th
Carolyn Finlayson Dec. 7th
Hoover Clark Dec. 10th

Gospel Doctrine Lesson
Moroni: 1—9

RELIEF SOCIETY

Sunday Lesson: "Hallowed Be

Thy Name, page 135/
Mary Saldutti.

Homemaking:

Christmas Party,
Tuesday, December 6th.
Be sure to come!

PRIMARY

December Scripture:
Mosiah 3:8. "And he shall be called Jesus Christ, the Son of God. The Father of heaven and earth, the creator of all things from the beginning: and his mother shall be called Mary"

Scripture reading:
Moroni, chapters 1—5.

STAKE MUSIC NIGHT

Our next concert will be the Pleasant View 7th Ward annual Christmas Music Fireside to be held at 8:00 pm in the Rock Canyon Chapel on Sunday, December 11th. This event is one of the most delightful of our concert season. We'll see you there!

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO OUR MISSIONARIES and others who are temporarily away:

—Sister Cheryl Barnett
Lindabergesen 35B
1071 Oslo 10 norway

(Will be home Dec. 22nd)

- Elder/Sister **Lowell Christensen**, Oakland Mission, 4945 Lincoln Wy Oakland, CA 94602
- Elder **Mark Finlayson** 9 Windle Ave. Aliquippa, PA 15001
- Lory/Myrtle Joy Free** Box 135 Panaca, Nevada 89042
- Elder **Dale Hansen** 601 West Iron #B Salina, Kansas 67401
- Elder **Steven Harris** 531 Capps Lane #62 Ukiah, CA 95482
- Elder **Matthew Harrison** Port-au-Prince Mission Boite Postale 15319 Petionville, Haite
- Sister **Dawn Higbee** 727 Shady Lane Fallbrook, CA 92028
- Truman/Ann Madsen** P.O. Box 19604 Jerusalem, Israel
- Elder **Curtis Nielson** 4-25-12 Nishi O Chia Shinjuki ku, Tokyo 161 Japan
- Howard/Julie Nielson** 1132 No. Taylor Arlington, VA 22201
- Sister **Laura Thomas** Mission Espana Barcelona Calle Cala Trava 10—12 Bajos 08017 Barcelona, Spain
- Elder **Lincoln Sheranian** 4050 32nd Street San Diego, CA 92104
- Elder/Sister **Joe Weight** Southwood Apts. # 102 5136 south Wheeling Tulsa, Oklahoma 74105

THIRTY DAYS IN CHINA
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Our travel guide book told us not to take any church literature to China so we didn't. In retrospect, however, I doubt that we

would have gotten into any kind of trouble. Our bags were not examined by Chinese customs on entering or on leaving the country. They would have probably ignored a Book of Mormon but would have confiscated a Bible.

A word about our White Dove Hotel. By American standards it would have been about 3rd or 4th rate. This hotel was owned by the Zhengzhou Abrasives and Grinding Institute. Most "experts, such as myself, would be housed at this hotel. It provides limited maid service and all of your meals. The food is genuine Chinese and is rather hard to stomach. The sanitation is poor and the food is unusual. Ida-Rose and I both lost five pounds during our stay because there was little that we felt like eating. How we longed for a Big Mac!

Incidentally there is a second, newer, White Dove Hotel located about twenty walking minutes from our hotel. The following is taken from Ida-Rose's diary of September 18th. As mentioned above, Tracy said that he was going out to take some pictures. It was about eleven O'clock; I was lying on the bed and drifted off to sleep. About noon, I woke up and wondered where Tracy was. I was surprised that he hadn't come back for lunch as he said he would. The attendant knocked on the door and indicated that it was time to eat. Not a soul speaks English at the hotel so they indicate that a meal is ready by shoveling a hand several times towards their mouth. Before going to lunch, I walked down to the corner and looked for Tracy—no

Tracy! So, I went back to the dining room to eat. Getting more nervous and worried all the time, I finished eating and went back to our room and prayed for his safety.

Meanwhile, Tracy, as recorded in his diary...

To be continued.....

**Get your news to Tracy
by 3:00 pm on Friday**

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

The Council of the Twelve

47 East South Temple Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84150

11 November 1988

To: General Authorities; Regional Representatives; Stake, Mission, and District Presidents; Bishops; and Branch Presidents

Dear Brethren:

Family Home Evening

For over seven decades, Church members have been urged to hold regular, family home evenings. Great blessings are promised to those who follow the Lord's counsel to do so. In 1915, the First Presidency said, "If the Saints obey this counsel [to hold family home evening], we promise that great blessings will result. Love at home and obedience to parents will increase. Faith will be developed in the hearts of the youth of Israel, and they will gain power to combat the evil influence and temptations which beset them."

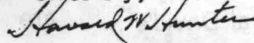
Monday night continues to be reserved for family home evening each week. Local leaders should see that Church buildings and facilities are closed on Monday nights. Stake and ward activities should not be planned for, or held on, Monday nights. Family home evenings may include family recreational activities in addition to gospel instruction.

Regarding families and the Sabbath, the following counsel was given when the consolidated meeting schedule was introduced: "Because the new schedule will give families time together on Sundays, parents should plan activities for the Sabbath that will spiritually strengthen the family." Suggestions included were gospel discussion and instruction, writing personal and family journals, holding family councils, family organization efforts, personal interviews between parents and children, writing to relatives and missionaries, family history work, visiting relatives and those who may be ill or lonely, missionary work, reading stories to children, and singing Church hymns together. Leaders should avoid scheduling too many extra meetings on Sunday which will keep families from having time together on the Sabbath.

We remind all, that the Lord has admonished parents to teach their children the gospel (See D&C 68:25-28). While the most important resource for teaching is the scriptures, parents are encouraged to also use the Family Home Evening Resource Book, general conference addresses, Church magazines, Church videos, and other appropriate family oriented materials. Every new convert family and every newly married couple should be provided a copy of the Family Home Evening Resource Book by the bishopric.

Under the direction of parents, the family should hold a family home evening each week. Family home evenings should focus on building unity and joyful togetherness through activities and through studying the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Sincerely,



Howard W. Hunter
President
Council of the Twelve