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THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST  
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS



**Payson Utah Temple**  
DEDICATED 7 JUNE 2015

**JAMAICA 1ST WARD**

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29 AUGUST 2021

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## Stake youth devotional

### LITTLE NECK BUILDING

TODAY ♦ SUNDAY 29 AUGUST ♦ 6.00PM

Youth, parents, and leaders are invited to join a testimony meeting and recap of experiences from last week's Young Men and Young Women camps. Refreshments will follow.

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## September building cleaning assignments

Any ward member is invited to participate in any building cleaning session. We invite all members to participate in at least one throughout the month.

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| <i>Friday 3 September</i> | 7.00–8.30pm |
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| <i>Saturday 11 September</i> | 10.00–11.30am |
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| <i>Friday 17 September</i> | 7.00–8.30pm |
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| <i>Saturday 25 September</i> | 9.00–10.30am |
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## Bishop's storehouse assignment

### LITTLE NECK BUILDING

SATURDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2021 ♦ 9.30AM

Volunteers from the Jamaica 1st Ward are needed to help fill food orders for families in need in the Lynbrook New York Stake. All food and other supplies are provided. May require moderate lifting. Volunteers should expect the process to take 1½–2 hours. Sign-up sheets will be circulated in second-hour meetings.

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## October 2021 general conference

### CHURCHOFJESUSCHRIST.ORG

2–3 OCTOBER 2021

General conference takes place twice a year, in April and October, and is an opportunity for us to hear from our worldwide church leaders, including the prophet, President Russell M. Nelson, members of the First Presidency and Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, and other general authorities and general officers of the church. Video streams of conference proceedings from church headquarters in Salt Lake City, Utah, are available live on the church's website, YouTube, and other means.

| Saturday 2 October | Sunday 3 October |
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| noon–2.00pm EDT    | noon–2.00pm EDT  |
| 4.00–6.00pm EDT    | 4.00–6.00pm EDT  |
| 8.00–9.30pm EDT    |                  |

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## Fall blood drive

### CULTURAL HALL (4TH FLOOR)

WEDNESDAY 3 NOVEMBER ♦ 1.00–7.00PM

For more information and to sign up to donate, visit [jamaica1stward.org/blood-drive](http://jamaica1stward.org/blood-drive)

JAMAICA 1ST WARD

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SACRAMENT MEETING ♦ 22 AUGUST 2021 ♦ 9.00AM

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*Presiding*

BISHOP DUSTIN TYLER JOYCE

*Conducting*

BROTHER ANDRE RICHARDSON

First counselor in the bishopric

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*Opening hymn*

GENTLY RAISE THE SACRED STRAIN

#146

*Opening prayer*

BY INVITATION

*Ward & stake business*

*Sacrament hymn*

JESUS, THE VERY THOUGHT OF THEE

#141

ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENT

*Speaker*

SISTER AMANDA ATKINSON-CHUNIELAL

*Intermediate hymn*

JEHOVAH, LORD OF HEAVEN AND EARTH

#269

*Speaker*

SISTER THERESA CHINHEYA

*Closing hymn*

LET THE HOLY SPIRIT GUIDE

#143

*Closing prayer*

BY INVITATION

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TODAY'S SECOND-HOUR MEETINGS ♦ 10.10–11.00AM

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Combined meeting ..... Chapel (2nd floor)  
*Those who regularly attend elders quorum, Relief Society,  
Aaronic Priesthood quorums, and Young Women are welcome to  
participate.*

Primary ..... Primary room (5th floor)

12 AUGUST 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

We find ourselves fighting a war against the ravages of COVID-19 and its variants, an unrelenting pandemic. We want to do all we can to limit the spread of these viruses. We know that protection from the diseases they cause can only be achieved by immunizing a very high percentage of the population.

To limit exposure to these viruses, we urge the use of face masks in public meetings whenever social distancing is not possible. To provide personal protection from such severe infections, we urge individuals to be vaccinated. Available vaccines have proven to be both safe and effective.

We can win this war if everyone will follow the wise and thoughtful recommendations of medical experts and government leaders. Please know of our sincere love and great concern for all of God's children.

The First Presidency

Russell M. Nelson

Dallin H. Oaks

Henry B. Eyring

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To find a location to get  
the COVID-19 vaccine, go to

**[vaccinefinder.nyc.gov](https://vaccinefinder.nyc.gov)**

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

OFFICE OF THE FIRST PRESIDENCY

47 East South Temple Street  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84150-1200

To: General Authorities; General Officers; Area Seventies; Stake, District, Mission, and Temple Presidencies; Bishoprics and Branch Presidencies

General Conference

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

A basic principle of the gospel of Jesus Christ is the blessing of continuing revelation wherein the Lord reveals His will, “giving line upon line, precept upon precept; here a little, and there a little” (Doctrine and Covenants 128:21). The Lord directs His work according to changing circumstances and needs. For example, the format and schedule of general conference have been changed many times over the years. Some sessions of general conference were designated for specific groups of members or leaders, such as the welfare session, the women’s session, the priesthood session, and other sessions designed to address topics pertinent to specific organizations of the Church.

In June 2021, we announced changes to the next general conference wherein the Saturday evening session would no longer be held. This decision was based on changes in technology that make it possible for all members and friends to view each session of general conference, including the women’s session and the priesthood session.

We recognize the increasing challenges facing members of the Church worldwide in our day. An important way to fortify against these challenges comes through hearing the word of God (see Alma 31:5). Therefore, after additional study and prayer, we have felt impressed to continue to hold the Saturday evening session of general conference, albeit in a different format than in the past.

Beginning with the October 2021 semiannual general conference, the Saturday evening session will be continued. All members and friends of the Church are invited to view this session. It will not have a specific theme, nor will it be intended for any particular demographic or leadership group. Holding this session will allow for more gospel topics to be taught and permit more general leaders to address the conference.

We thank the Lord for His direction in this matter. We express our deep love and appreciation for the faithful members of the Church throughout the world and look forward to general conference, when the word of the Lord will be imparted through His servants.

Sincerely yours,

The First Presidency

Russell M. Nelson  
Dallin H. Oaks  
Henry B. Eyring

## Today ♦ 29 August 2021

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COME, FOLLOW ME

**“Receive of His Fulness”**

Doctrine and Covenants 93

## Next week ♦ 5 September 2021

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COME, FOLLOW ME

**“For the Salvation of Zion”**

Doctrine and Covenants 94–97

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### WARD DIRECTORY

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To protect the privacy of ward members’ contact information, the ward directory has been removed from this version. Please refer instead to the ward directory at [ChurchofJesusChrist.org](https://www.ChurchofJesusChrist.org).

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#### *Full-time missionaries*

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|----------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Elders Brady & Norman (English)              | 631.806.3686 |
| Sisters Church & Starkey (English)           | 917.373.4446 |
| Elders Roskelley & Triplett (Haitian Creole) | 917.242.6446 |

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#### *Manhattan New York Temple*

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| 125 Columbus Avenue | 917.441.8220 |
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Currently operating in phase 3:

All living and proxy ordinances by appointment

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*Ward website*

**[jamaica1stward.org](https://jamaica1stward.org)**

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### REMINDERS

**Everyone ages 2 and older, regardless of vaccination status, should wear a mask over their nose and mouth and practice physical distancing while in our church building.**

**If you have not yet received the COVID-19 vaccine, we strongly encourage you to do so. (See the enclosed statement from the First Presidency.)**