

# AKRON OHIO STAKE NEWSLETTER

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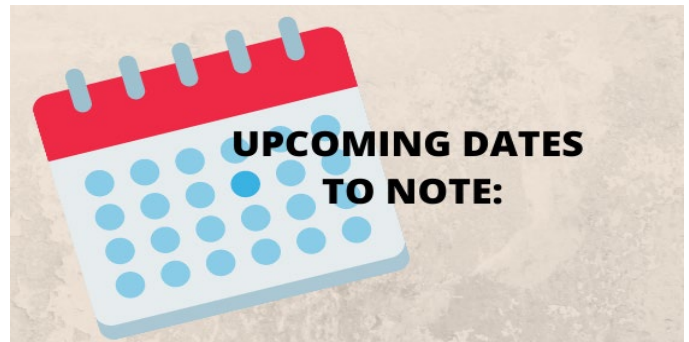
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### BRECKSVILLE HOME STORAGE CENTER

6900 Southpointe Pkwy, Unit C  
Brecksville, OH 44141  
440-526-4057

HOURS: Wednesday & Thursday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
A food storage list is available at  
[www.providentliving.org](http://www.providentliving.org).



### JANUARY

- 7 Home Storage Center ReOpens
- 18 "Walk with Me" Worldwide  
Discussion for Youth Broadcast

### FEBRUARY

- 1 Worldwide Devotional for Young  
Adults

### MARCH

- 5 Temple and Family History  
Leadership Instruction
- 5 – 7 RootsTech
- 7 Family Discovery Day
- 8 Worldwide Relief Society  
Devotional
- 29 Palm Sunday
- 29 – Apr 5 Holy Week

[Click here for Akron Stake Calendar](#)

To submit Stake or Area events to the Newsletter Calendar  
please contact LeAnn Snyder [leann.snyder@outlook.com](mailto:leann.snyder@outlook.com)

[Single Adult Facebook Page Link](#)



## MESSAGE FROM THE STAKE

**THE LIVING CHRIST**  
*President Quinn Coburn*  
*Stake President*

This past week, as we celebrated the birth of Jesus Christ, it seemed so appropriate that “The Living Christ” was included in the “Come Follow Me” reading.

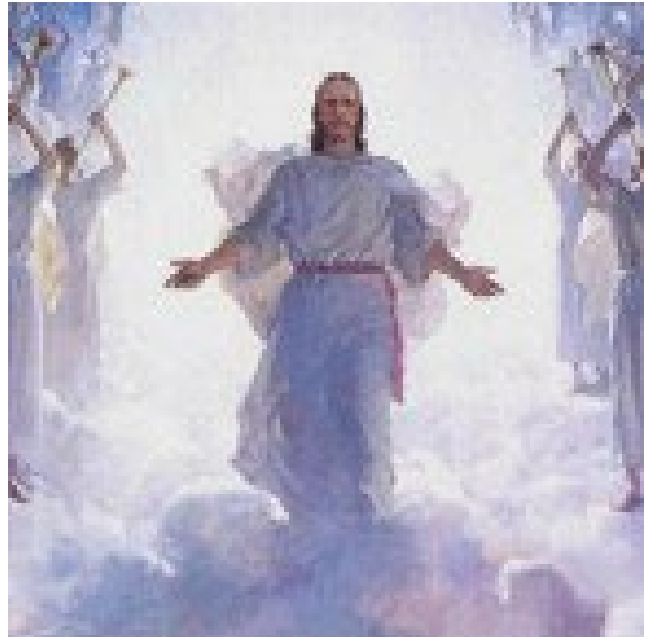
May we remember our Savior and Redeemer each and every day of this new year.

In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

I savored the words of truth as I read.  
What stood out to you the most?

Here are some of the things that most stood out to me:

- We offer our testimony
- We solemnly testify
- This is the testimony, last of all, which we give of him
- We declare in words of solemnity
- We testify
- We bear testimony, as His duly ordained apostles
- He “went about doing good”
- ... healing the sick, causing the blind to see, and raising the dead
- He taught the truths of eternity
- He gave His life to atone for the sins of all mankind
- He will rule as King of Kings and reign as Lord of Lords, and every knee shall bend and every tongue shall speak in worship before Him.
- Each of us will stand to be judged of Him according to our works and the desires of our hearts.



## Missionary Moments

### SERVING FROM THE AKRON STAKE

As we begin a new year, it might be nice to reach out and drop a note to any of those Missionaries serving from our Stake.



Ward:	Name:
Akron	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Elder John Patrick Callahan - Ohio Columbus Mission</li><li>• Sister Vanine Jo Furlan Callahan – Ohio Columbus Mission</li><li>• Elder Peter Shockey – California Arcadia Mission</li><li>• Sister Halle Kay Wilkinson – California Los Angeles Mission</li></ul>
Ashland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sister Mary Jeffery - Ohio Columbus Mission</li></ul>
Canton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sister Makenzi Priddis - France Lyon Mission</li></ul>
Massillon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sister Jan Gayhart - Ohio Columbus Mission</li><li>• Elder Tad Gayhart – Ohio Columbus Mission</li></ul>
Medina	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Elder Lucas Junge - Nevada Reno Mission</li><li>• Elder Zakai Miller – Brazil Piraciaba Mission</li><li>• Sister Audrey Gaylinn Pedro – Japan Fukuoka Mission</li></ul>

#### Wadsworth

- Elder Andrew Bryan – Brazil
- Sister Ava Lynn Cartwright – Arizona Tempe Mission
- Sister Nora Cartwright – California Ventura Mission
- Elder David Gailey – Ohio Columbus Mission
- Elder David Perkins – Utah Orem Mission
- Sister Xandra Eden Murawski – California San Bernardino Mission

#### Wooster

- Elder Creed Rodriguez

*If you know of someone serving and want them put in our Missionary Moments, please click the link below. We want to share their stories with everyone!*

We want to highlight your missionary!

[Click here to get your missionary in the Stake Newsletter!](#)

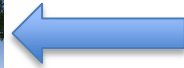


## Cleveland Temple Updates

### COLUMBUS



[CLICK HERE](#)  
TO SEE THE  
PROGRESS!



*2026 WILL  
BE HERE  
BEFORE WE  
KNOW IT!*



### PITTSBURGH



### UNTIL THEN .... VISIT

Click on city name to visit temple webpages.

#### \*\*\*\*New Distribution Service location open in Cranberry, PA \*\*\*\*

2771 Rochester Road Cranberry Township, PA 16066 (878) 236-4038  (Located inside the Cranberry Stake Center at the Southwest Corner. Enter the doors facing the Temple.)	Monday – Closed
	Tuesday – Wednesday 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm
	Thursday – Friday 10:00 am – 6:00 pm
	Saturday 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
	Sunday Closed

## MINISTERING MOMENTS

Our stake would like to focus on the blessings that come through ministering by sharing uplifting experiences. You are invited to participate by sharing ways that you have been impacted and blessed by ministering.

Both ministering and being ministered to. These submissions will be printed in future Stake newsletters. All submissions will be printed anonymously.

Please focus your thoughts on how your experience has brought you closer to our Savior Jesus Christ and minister as He did.

To submit your  
experience.

[Click here](#)



## Healing Through the Savior

### The Addiction Recovery Program



Recovery Meetings  
Meet Weekly on Zoom

Sundays at 3:00 pm

[Click HERE for more information](#)

[Click HERE to find additional meetings](#)

Spouse and Family Support Group  
Meets Weekly on Zoom

Tuesdays at 8:00 pm

[Click HERE for more information](#)

[Click HERE to find additional meetings](#)





## JUST SERVE CORNER

**MEDINA WARD PRIMARY SPREADS HOLIDAY CHEER** -- On December 6, 2025, members of the Medina Primary participated in a project to spread some holiday cheer in the community. As part of their activity days, they met with their leaders to go to The Echelon, an assisted living facility for seniors, to spread some holiday carols and good tidings. Some residents joined in and sang along with the children.



## CHURCH DELIVERS 30,000 LBS OF MEAT TO FEEDING MEDINA COUNTY

-- Early in the morning of December 8th, a truck from Salt Lake City carrying almost 15 tons or 30,000 lbs of meat arrived at Feeding Medina County's warehouse. It was the church's latest Humanitarian Aid donation to this wonderful charity located within our stake. According to Janet Newcomer, the director of Feeding Medina County, this donation was the largest single donation in the organization's history. They were thrilled and very appreciative of our church's generous gift. Janet Newcomer invited many town officials to attend the event that included the Mayors of both Medina and Wadsworth, Councilman, and Ohio State Representative. Our Stake President, President Coburn, was also there along with the Bishop of Wadsworth Ward, High Councilman responsible for JustServe, and our Stake Communication Director, Susan Jackson. Because of the vast amount of goods, Feeding Medina County asked the Medina Fire Department to help them unload into their freezer, which was actually not big enough, so they had to transfer some of the shipment to another warehouse!



Pictured upper right: The truck arriving from Salt Lake City.

Pictured left to right: Firemen helping unload; All attendees at the delivery; Civic and Church Leadership

## **\*\*Still need to try out the Activity Sharing?\*\***

If you haven't already tried it... Please check it out!



Enter an activity on the calendar and it will **AUTOMATICALLY** show up on your website!

**FOR A QUICK OVERVIEW**

**Click here**

What if I can't find the link  
to my **WARD PAGE**?

1. Log in to

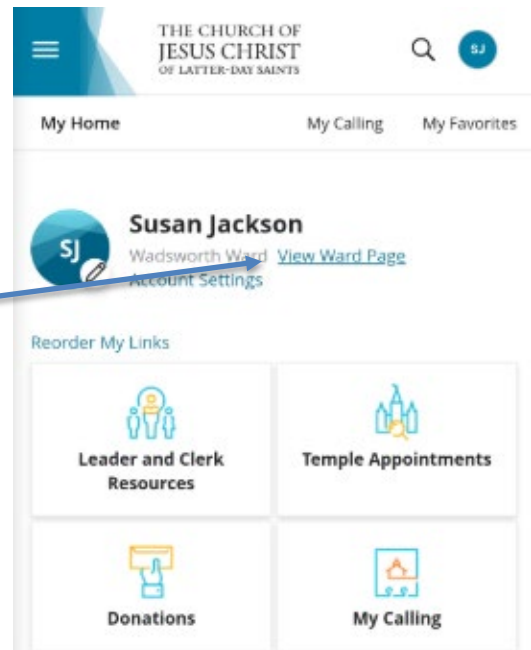
[www.churchofjesuschrist.org](http://www.churchofjesuschrist.org)

You will find your name and a link to your  
Ward Page. (It doesn't work on the  
app....yet)

2. Google it. Seriously, that is one of  
the suggested options.

3. Have a QR Code made for the link and  
put it in Ward Bulletins, Sunday  
Programs, etc.

**OR CLICK BELOW**



<a href="#">AKRON WARD</a>	<a href="#">MEDINA WARD</a>
<a href="#">ASHLAND WARD</a>	<a href="#">NEW PORTAGE WARD</a>
<a href="#">CANTON WARD</a>	<a href="#">WADSWORTH WARD</a>
<a href="#">MASSILLON WARD</a>	<a href="#">WOOSTER WARD</a>

Click on your ward link to access your ward webpage!

If your calling offers you the option to submit items to the ward/stake calendar  
and you want to learn more ...

**Click here**

## Announced 2026 Churchwide Broadcasts



Here are the announced dates for 2026. Make sure to mark your calendars for these special broadcasts/events:

- **January 18** – “Walk With Me” Worldwide Discussion for Youth
- **February 1** – Worldwide Devotional for Young Adults
- **March 5** – Temple and Family History Leadership Instruction
- **March 5 – 7** – RootsTech
- **March 7** – Family Discovery Day
- **March 8** – Worldwide Relief Society Devotional
- **March 10** – Caring For Those in Need: 2025 Annual Report
- **March 29** – Palm Sunday
- **March 29 – April 5** – Holy Week
- **April 4 & 5** – Easter Weekend General Conference
- **May 3** – Worldwide Devotional for Young Adults
- **May 24** – Video for Children
- **Jun 11 & 12** – Religious Educators Conference Broadcast
- **September 14** – Video for Children
- **October 3 & 4** – General Conference
- **November 1** – Worldwide Devotional for Young Adults
- **December 6** – First Presidency’s Christmas Devotional
- **December 20** – Sacrament Meeting Only