

OMAHA NEBRASKA STAKE
NEWSLETTER

JULY 2026



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JULY

JULY 12

- “Why I Believe” Fireside, Trail Center, 6pm

JULY 13 - 18

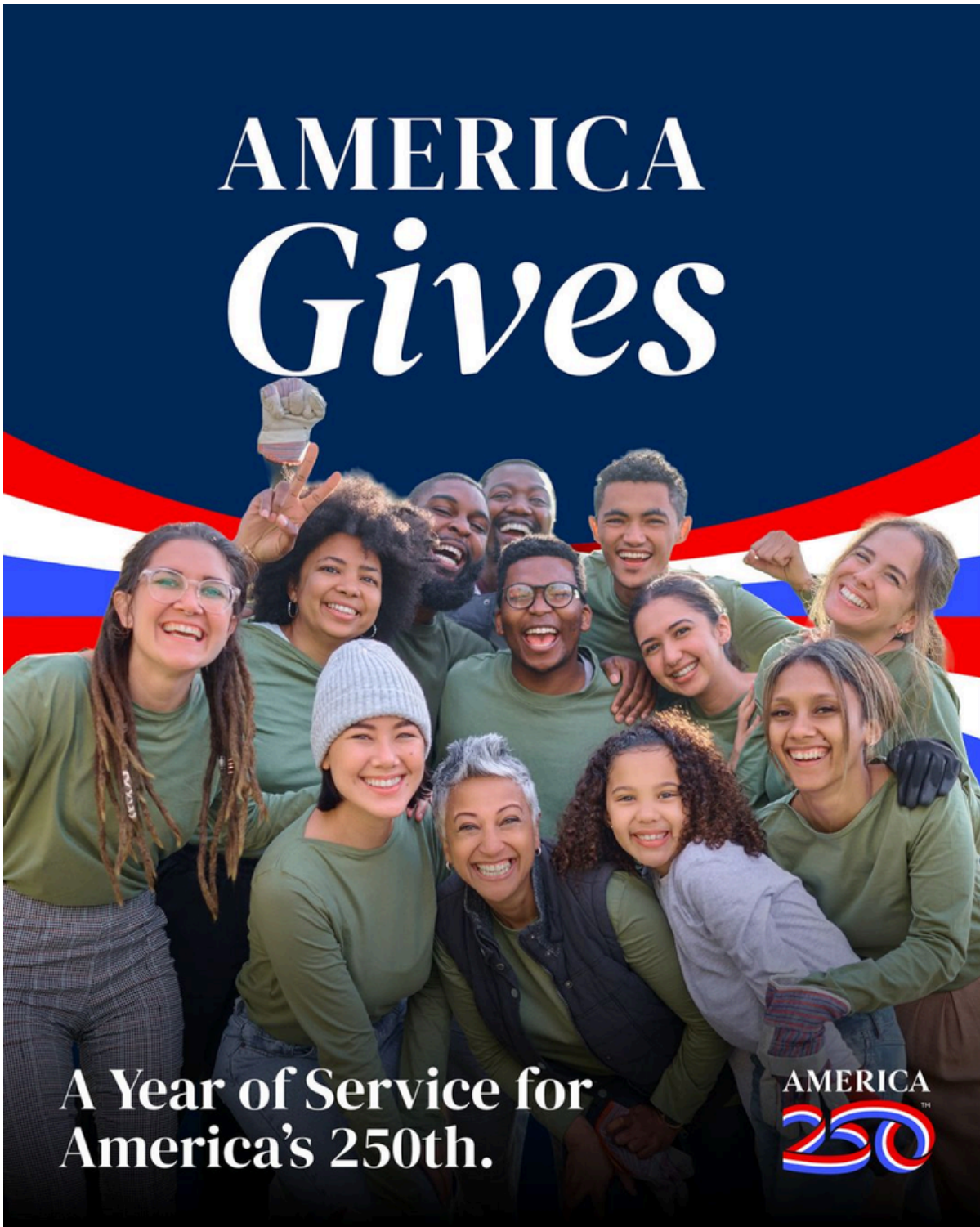
- Stake YM & YW High Adventure

SATURDAY 18

- Stake Youth Saturday Sports Activity, 9am, Stake Center

PLEASE NOTE:

OUR NEXT STAKE CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD NOVEMBER 7, 2026.



HONOR AMERICA'S 250TH BIRTHDAY AND GIVE THE GIFT OF VOLUNTEERISM!

It's not too late to add your Volunteer Hours to the America 250 website... [America Gives](https://AmericaGives.org) - [America250](https://America250.org)

Make 2026 the Year of the Volunteer and Light another's life!

JUST SERVE: WATCH PARTY REPORT



Omaha, Papillion, Millard and Council Bluffs Stakes hosted a fun filled family event which included free face painting, balloon artist, popcorn, cotton candy, and booths sharing, Just Serve, Self Reliance, Family History, and Missionary Service plus field games for anyone who wanted to play. Families served at our Service Project by assembling more than 600 Hygiene Kits and Snack Packs for Heartland Family Service and Youth Emergency Services. The icing on the cake was watching the Tabernacle Choir and prominent musical guests, like Donny Osmond bring music to our evening. The Event brought a warm homespun feeling!



JUST SERVE: OMAHA STORM CHASERS REPORT



Just Serve Wheel of Fortune at the Storm Chaser Game June 9th.



Brooke Perkes introduces 'Just Serve' at the Storm Chaser Game on the Mega Screen!



Save the Date!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

...STAKE PRIMARY ACTIVITY...



• SEPTEMBER 19, 2026 •

3:00 TO 5:00 PM



OMAHA NEBRASKA STAKE CENTER

YOUNG SINGLE ADULTS: COME JOIN US!

Mondays: YSA Family Home Evening (FHE) at 7pm

Wednesdays: YSA Institute class at 6:30 pm at Institute Building.

Thursdays: YSA Institute Class at 6 pm at Papillion Stake Center

Thursdays: Volleyball at Papillion Stake Center at 7 pm (Teens/Adults)

We post all of our activities on our ward Facebook page (linked [here](#)) which helps when we have cancellations and location changes for FHE, etc. Additionally the institute has a website with all their class information, locations, and instructors (linked [here](#)).

OMAHA NEBRASKA STAKE YOUTH CALENDAR

	Date	Event	Who's Invited	Time	Location
JULY	12 Jul	Mission Prep	High School YM/YW	4:00 PM	Omaha Stake Center
	13-18 Jul	High Adventure	current sophomore, junior, and senior YM/YW		South Dakota
	18 Jul	Stake Youth Sports Activity	YM/YW	9:00 AM	Omaha Stake Center
	19 Jul	Mission Prep	High School YM/YW	4:00 PM	Omaha Stake Center
	26 Jul	Mission Prep	High School YM/YW	4:00 PM	Omaha Stake Center
AUG.	9 Aug	Mission Prep	High School YM/YW	4:00 PM	Omaha Stake Center
	15 Aug	Youth Sport Activity	All Youth	9:00 AM	Omaha Stake Center
	15 Aug	Seminary Kick-off & Dance	Youth turning 14+		Papillion Stake Center
	16 Aug	SYLC	Stake youth on this committee	3:00 PM	Omaha Stake Center
	16 Aug	Mission Prep	High School YM/YW	4:00 PM	Omaha Stake Center
	23 Aug	Mission Prep	High School YM/YW	4:00 PM	Omaha Stake Center
	30 Aug	Mission Prep	High School YM/YW	4:00 PM	Omaha Stake Center
SEP.	TBD	Walk With Me Music Devotional	All Youth		TBD
	13 Sept	Mission Prep	High School YM/YW	4:00 PM	Omaha Stake Center
	19 Sept	Youth Sport Activity	All Youth	9:00 AM	Omaha Stake Center
	20 Sept	SYLC	Stake youth on this committee	3:00 PM	Omaha Stake Center
	20 Sept	Mission Prep	High School YM/YW	4:00 PM	Omaha Stake Center
	27 Sept	Mission Prep	High School YM/YW	4:00 PM	Omaha Stake Center

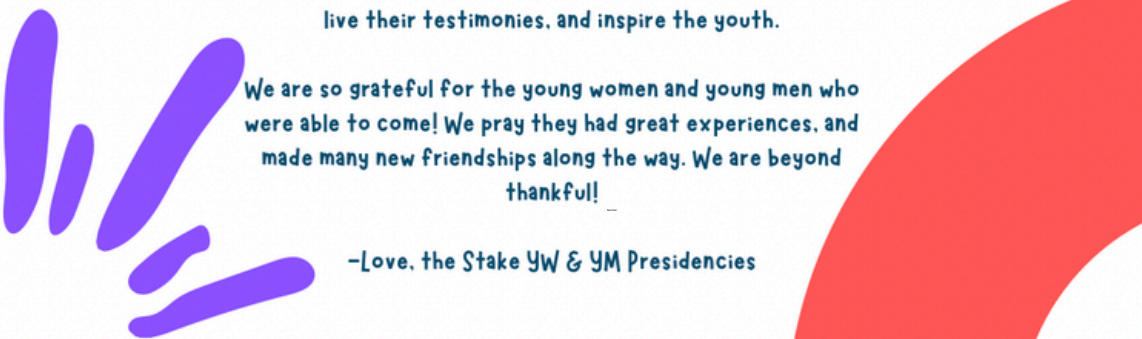


THANK YOU

To EVERYONE that helped us with camps this year!

Youth Conference
YM Camp
YW Camp
High Adventure

We couldn't have done it without the support of those who volunteered their time to be with our youth, and especially to those who came to multiple camps! Our youth are really lucky to be surrounded by so many who have various talents, who live their testimonies, and inspire the youth.



We are so grateful for the young women and young men who were able to come! We pray they had great experiences, and made many new friendships along the way. We are beyond thankful!

-Love, the Stake YW & YM Presidencies

PAL LEAGUE CROSS COUNTRY

We will have a Church Cross Country (XC) team again this fall. All middle-schoolers are welcome to join (5th - 8th grade), young men and young women.

We have 2 practices a week and there are 5-6 meets, all weekdays, about town.

We participate in the PAL league, which includes 25 schools in Omaha, Bellevue, and Papillion. It is an awesome organization.

Reach out to Jon Poyer, Ashley Gower, or Jordyn Harris if you have any questions:
OmahaLDSXC@gmail.com



Serving The Youth



**We invite you to take this survey
about sharing your skills and
experiences to bless and inspire our
Omaha Nebraska Stake Youth**



[Use this link](#)

Sharing Our Talents

“Walk with Me” Moses 6:34



FAMILY SEARCH CENTER HOURS

Open every Tuesday noon-2pm and 7pm-9pm,
or by special appointment

(402) 252-5130
Stake Center

Get free help from a Familysearch consultant,
or bring a friend!

TEMPLE RECOMMEND STAKE INTERVIEWS

Matthew Nielsen

719-464-8456

Schedules for members from:

***Bennington, Elkhorn, Fremont, Blair,
Columbus***

Tanner Bosworth

208-221-4650

Schedules for members from:

***Old Mill, Eagle Run, Winter Quarters
YSA, and Pacific Ridges***

Temple and Family History Onboarding

- Temple and Family History Onboarding will resume in August. Creighton Omer will email those who have been participating. Please contact him (info in Tools) if you would like to be added to the distribution list!



TEMPLE & FAMILY HISTORY MESSAGE

In her April 2026 General Conference talk, Ministering – “That Ye Love One Another; as I Have Loved You”, Sister Kristin M. Yee shared a story about an invitation that changed her father’s life. This invitation was extended to him by two ministering brothers during a very low point in his life. Their invitation was to attend the temple. He accepted. This one simple invitation resulted in three years of weekly temple worship together, and continued service as her father became a temple worker.

On behalf of our stake leaders, I invite you to invite others to join you each time you worship in the temple. These invitations can be made to family members, those to whom you minister, a quorum or class member, or others as you feel prompted. Additionally, we invite you to make a special effort to participate in ordinances in the Winter Quarters Temple during the week of July 20, remembering the sacrifices of early pioneers, exercising religious liberty, and expressing gratitude to the Lord for the blessing the Winter Quarters Temple has been for our families and our stake for 25 years.

Creighton Omer

Missionary Message

By Gus Checketts

President Oaks announced at the June Mission President training seminar that the missionary force is reaching an all-time historic high, with more than 87,000 full-time missionaries worldwide. This surge includes the first wave of 18-year-old sister missionaries. There are currently more Sisters in the MTC than Elders.



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**WE WELCOME THESE NEW FRIENDS
WHO RECENTLY JOINED THE CHURCH
THROUGH BAPTISM:**

Dal (Bennington)

Eric (Columbus)

Ian (WQYSA Ward)

ONS CALLED TO SERVE

RECENTLY CALLED

- Dallin McCune (Elkhorn) Uruguay Montevideo West, July 8
- Melissa Spangler (Blair) Lima Limatambo Peru, July 15
- Evan Himes (Blair) Arizona Tucson, July 22
- Derick Bishop (Columbus) Brazil São Paulo North, July 29
- Kade Foy (Blair) Bolivia Santa Cruz North, August 5
- Kaitlyn Ferguson (Old Mill) Florida Tampa, August 12
- Ben McAllister (Pacific Ridges) Brazil Santa Maria, Sept 2
- Afton Thompson (YSA) California Arcadia, Sept 16



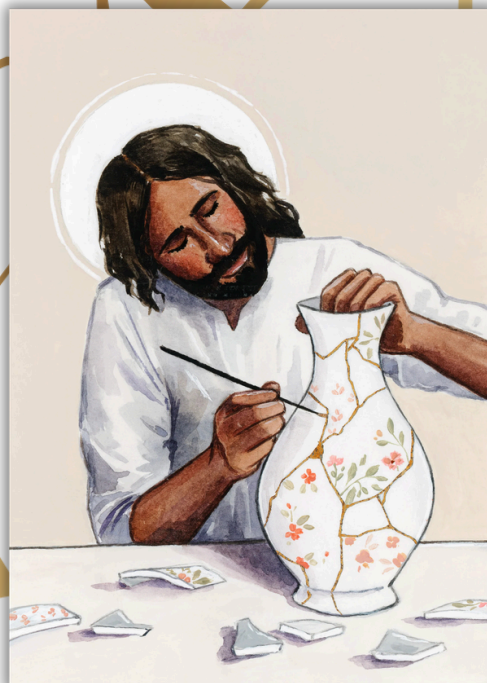
FULL-TIME MISSIONARIES CURRENTLY SERVING

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| • Elder S. Jensen (Blair) Oregon Portland | • Elder & Sister Jenkins (Bennington) Nebraska Omaha |
| • Elder J. Haughawout (Pac Ridges) Brazil Teresina | • Elder B. Codr (Bennington) Nebraska Omaha |
| • Elder C. Eichmann (Old Mill) Alpine German | • Sister O. Pincock (Pac Ridges) Ohio Cincinnati |
| • Elder K. McLeod (Winter Qtrs YSA) Layton, UT | • Elder J. Roach, (Old Mill) Alpine German Speaking |
| • Elder M. Blad (Pac Ridges) Washington Kennewick | • Elder D. Franzluebbbers (Blair) California Newport Beach |
| • Sister S. Jacobson (Elkhorn) California Modesto | • Sister E. Lilly (Pac Ridges), Michigan Lansing |
| • Elder M. Marten (Fremont) Nebraska Omaha | • Elder C. Eckstein (Winter Qtrs YSA) Utah Ogden |
| • Sister E. Call (Pac Ridges) Colorado Denver North | • Elder A. Allen (Elkhorn) Uruguay Montevideo |
| • Elder L. Bartlett, (Elkhorn) Korea Seoul | • Sister M. Huefner (Pac Ridges) Guatemala City Central |
| • Elder P. Omer, (Old Mill) México Torreón | • Sister E. Perkes (Elkhorn) Brazil Belo Horizonte |
| • Elder L. Dorrius (Pac Ridges) Brazil São Paulo South | • Roy & Thelma King (Eagle Run) Utah Salt Lake City |
| • Elder E. Haughawout (Pac Ridges) California Anaheim | Headquarters Mission |
| • Elder S. Whiteley, (Pac Ridges) Ecuador Guayaquil West | • Sister M. Beck (Old Mill) Japan Tokyo North |
| • Elder B. Urbano, (Elkhorn) Brazil São Paulo East | • Sister F. Munoz (Columbus) Guatemala Retalhuleu |
| • Elder C. Dossett, (Fremont) Brazil Santos | • Sister S. Peterson (Pac Ridges) New Jersey Morristown |
| • Sister M. McAllister, (Pac Ridges) Utah Saratoga | • Katelyn Dossett (Fremont) San Juan Puerto Rico |
| • Elder L. Glasgow (Bennington) Korea Seoul | • Noah Davis (Pac Ridges) Nebraska Omaha |

SERVICE MISSIONARIES

Additionally, we have 13 Service Missionaries called from the Omaha Stake serving from 4 to 24 hours per week in the temple, the bishop's storehouse, and family services. If you would like to serve as a service missionary, please contact your bishop or branch president for available opportunities.

Addiction Recovery Program



"HE HEALS WHAT IS BROKEN" BY PAIGE PAYNE

The Omaha Nebraska Stake offers an addiction recovery program for anyone struggling with addiction. Friends and family members of those struggling with addiction are also invited to attend. Attendees can meet in person or join virtually through Zoom. The Zoom link can be found by visiting the addiction recovery website, [HERE](#).

Tuesday Evenings

7:00 - 8:00 PM

Stake Center

Attendees can enter through the stake doors on the east side of the building.

2026 Omaha Nebraska Stake Vision

COME HOME TO THE LORD

CHOOSE HIM JOIN HIM REJOICE WITH HIM

We invite you to “Come Home to the Lord” in 2026. To do this we want to continue the pattern of **choosing Him** daily, **joining Him** in His work of salvation and exaltation, and **rejoicing with Him** as we experience the blessings of the gospel. In 2026, we emphasize the important role that your **home** and the **temple** play in that process.

YOUR HOME

“Only the home can compare with the temple in sacredness.” (Bible Dictionary). Like the temple, your home can become a refuge from the world. This occurs when we “yield to the enticings of the Holy Spirit” (Mosiah 3:19) and choose to have daily experiences with the Lord, personally and as a family. We invite you to commit to join the Lord in His work in your home by:

- Living the Gospel of Jesus Christ - diligently learn, live, and teach the gospel in your home.
- Caring for Those in Need - minister to others in their homes and allow others to do the same for you.
- Invite All to Receive the Gospel - with the Lord’s Spirit in your home, it becomes a place where you can share the gospel with those not currently living with its blessings.

You can come home to the Lord as you invite His Spirit into your home daily and allow His work to occur there. (see Revelation 3:20, D&C 88:119, Hymn #1020 Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling).

THE TEMPLE

“The temple is literally a house of the Lord.” (Bible Dictionary). The Lord invites us to come home to Him in the temple as we strive to live His gospel and unite families for eternity. President Russell M. Nelson taught us that nothing will bless us more than the time we spend in the temple. We invite all youth and adult members to choose to work with their local church leaders to obtain a temple recommend, and then to worship there, joining the Lord in His work as often as your circumstances permit. (see Psalm 27:4)

PROMISED BLESSINGS

As representatives of Jesus Christ, we promise that coming home to the Lord in our homes and in the temple will be a tremendous blessing. The Holy Spirit will teach each of us how to apply this vision to our individual lives, and as we act on those promptings, we will experience greater peace and happiness. We will have increased opportunities to rejoice with the Lord and with each other. (see Luke 15:6)

Omaha Nebraska Stake Presidency
Paul D. McAllister, Barry W. Webber, Danny C. Leavitt