

# DAILY TIDINGS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2024

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## Daily Theme: They should proclaim these things unto the world... D&C Section 1:4

4a. Wherefore I the Lord, knowing the calamity which should come upon the inhabitants of the earth, called upon my servant Joseph Smith, Jr., and spake unto him from heaven, and gave him commandments, and also gave commandments to others, that they should proclaim these things unto the world;

4b. and all this that it might be fulfilled, which was written by the prophets;

4c. the weak things of the world shall come forth and break down the mighty and strong ones, that man should not counsel his fellow-man, neither trust in the arm of flesh, but that every man might speak in the name of God the Lord, even the Savior of the world;

4d. that faith also might increase in the earth; that mine everlasting covenant might be established;

4e. that the fullness of my gospel might be proclaimed by the weak and the simple, unto the ends of the world, and before kings and rulers.

### REGISTRATION:

Registering is STILL important! Please register at the table in the foyer if you haven't already done so on-line. This helps us have a count for presentations, classes, and for meals. There is NO cost to register (however if you would like to purchase a binder with all the pertinent information, the cost is \$15).



**Conference Registration:** To register on-line directly, use this link:  
<http://eldersconference.org>

Once you have registered you will then receive a link to access on-line.

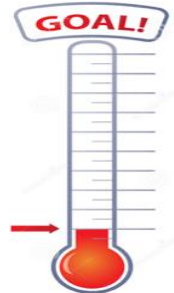
### LAYING ON OF HANDS; ADMINISTRATION:



If you need this ordinance, contact any Elder or specifically Eric Odida or Marlin Guin.

### CONFERENCE FINANCIAL GOAL:

If you will be donating by check, please make the check-out to: Conference of Restoration Elders OR CRE. Thank you for your generosity! The financial goal of the conference and reunion is:



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| Financial Goal .....     | \$15,650.00 |
| Offerings Thus Far ..... | \$ 5,924.87 |
| Balance To Be Met .....  | \$ 9,725.13 |

### MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.

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| Sunday Evening .....  | 225 |
| On-Line .....         | 90  |
| Monday Evening .....  | 160 |
| On-Line .....         | 96  |
| Tuesday Evening ..... | 187 |
| On-Line .....         | 126 |

### ELECTRONIC "GADGETS":

Please set your phones on silent or off when in the building. Take and make calls outside the building.



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**MELCHIZEDEK PRIESTHOOD:** You must register



and be credentialed in order to have a voice and vote in the Elder's sessions. The first Elder's Quorum session is **Monday, April 8, 2024** at 11:00 a.m. Please check the schedule in the conference notebooks as well as at the Registration desk for times and locations for all meetings. Pick up your name badge and conference notebook at the registration table. A \$15.00 donation is helpful to cover the cost of the notebooks.

**ON-LINE ACCESS:** [www.eldersconference.org](http://www.eldersconference.org)

- ◆ Access the website
- ◆ Register On-Line
- ◆ Conference Schedule
- ◆ Stone Church Map
- ◆ Public Sessions
- ◆ Women's Classes
- ◆ Aaronic Quorum Meetings
- ◆ Elders Quorum Meetings
- ◆ Conference Notebook
- ◆ Digital Handouts & Resources



**SANCTUARY:** A consecrated place. Please maintain a sense of quiet and reverence when in the sanctuary. Also, **NO** food or drink in the sanctuary, except for bottled water.



**FREE** Daily Devotional Guide (from May 1<sup>st</sup>– Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>) on Display

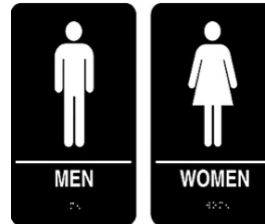


**SEATING:**

Please fill in the seats in the main section **BEFORE** filling in the seating on the sides of the sanctuary.



**RESTROOMS:** The men's restroom is located on



the east side hallway going toward the Luff Auditorium and the women's restroom is located on the west side of the hallway, also going

toward the Luff Auditorium. There is also a men's and women's room toward the main hallway going toward the glass breezeway.

**ELEVATOR:** The elevator is located on the west side of the foyer as you head toward the Luff Auditorium. Feel free to ask Janet Dickson who



**SCHEDULES AND BUILDING FLOOR PLAN:**

These items will be posted at the registration table in the foyer. The schedule is also in Section 1 of your notebook and the floor plan is on the back cover of the notebook.

**TESTIMONIES FOR TIDINGS OF ZION:**

Write your testimonies for the Tidings of Zion magazine and send them to: [centerplacetidingsofzion@gmail.com](mailto:centerplacetidingsofzion@gmail.com)



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**SPECIAL NOTE: TODAY,** Who doesn't love a picnic! April 10th from 12:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., there will be a picnic, fellowship, and lawn game fun instead of the regular daily scheduled activities. The picnic location is at Living Hope RB (2425 Chrysler Ave., Independence, MO. 64052). It is only 1.2 miles from the Stone Church.



**FIRST AID, & AED Defibrillator:** Check at the Registration Desk in the foyer if you have first aid needs. We will not have a nurse "on duty" but some may be



available. A portable AED Defibrillator will be there as well. Point of contact for these items is Janet Dickson at the registration table. You can call or text at (940) 783-7987.

**LOST AND FOUND:** Lost and found items can be turned in at the Registration Desk in the foyer. If possible, please be sure that your items are marked with your name so that they can be returned to the rightful owner.



**NAME BADGES:** When you to leave the conference and won't be returning, please leave your plastic name badge at the registration table.



Make sure you stop by the **Old Bookman** book tables in the foyer and pick up a few good reads!

Free 1-year subscriptions of Restoration Voice magazine are available. Give Dee or Paul Ludy your name, address & phone number to get on the list.

**DISPLAYS:** Various displays are set up in the foyer. Please take time to visit them to see what is going on in and around the Center Place. Displays will be up all week and removed by Friday, April 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.



- † ARM: African Restoration Ministries
- † Children's Books by: Beryle Immer
- † Education Council
- † FSM: Freedom Stewardship Ministries
- † Joseph Smith III & Israel A. Smith Home Historical Society
- † Kingdom Kids by: Becky Stayton
- † Old Bookman: Paul & Dee Ludy
- † Publications Council
- † Restoration Hymn Society, Inc.

**BUILDING OPEN & CLOSURE TIMES:** The building will be open at 8:00 a.m. and will be closing approximately at 9:00 p.m. following the evening service. Please complete all your business by that time, so conference staff can close up and get home shortly thereafter.



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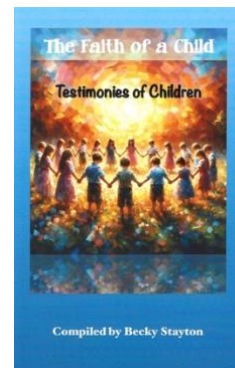
**WATER BOTTLE FOUNTAIN:** There is a water fountain that also fills water bottles on the west side in the foyer and a traditional water fountain on the east side of the foyer. Feel free to bring your own water bottles for refilling.



**Just a thought...** What type of personality would Naomi have had if her daughter-in-law had not followed her?  
Answer: Ruthless

# TEACH PEACE

**This evening,** the Stone Church offers a free meal to those in need. This may make parking a little more challenging. Please see Section 1, page 11 for parking options.



Stop by the Kingdom Kid display in the foyer. Becky Stayton has a new little booklet of testimonies of children. These books are to encourage all to have faith as a child. A \$3 donation per book is appreciated. Also, she has materials for children, parents, grandparents, Sunday school, teachers, and home ministry. Please fill out an information card to receive additional resources.

## How Are Women Uniquely Equipped to Serve the Church?

By: Lisa Loraine Baker, 02/16/2024

If we all take a good look at what is happening within our churches, we'll most likely hear, read about, and see groups of women focused on numerous tasks. Both women's and men's activities within the church are important, but why are so many women involved in the church? What are today's churches doing well in connecting with women, and how can women use their unique talents and abilities to reach more for the Kingdom?



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**The Roles of Both Men and Women.** First, we should address men's roles in the church. Men are involved in various functions and responsibilities, but many are "behind-the-scenes" in leadership or support involvement. These important roles provide the focus and impetus for all the ministry efforts which take place within the church, including that which involves Christian women. It seems the visibility of active women in the church, though, is heightened of late.

The question of women's prodigious participation in church events (such as outreach events or ministries, in-house service such as meals, worship, Bible studies, etc.) is truly a look at how God created females. Women are similar to men as created in God's image and in their responsibilities as ambassadors for Christ (evangelism, servants, etc.) but are unique in their capacity to complement men (most markedly their husbands) as equal but different, making their roles complementary. As author Alyssa Roat states, "men and women have separate but equal roles in marriage, family life, the church, and elsewhere."

Author and women's studies teacher at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Mary Kassian, says,



"Complementarians believe that God created male and female as complementary expressions of the image of God — male and female are counterparts in reflecting his glory. Having two sexes expands the view. Though both sexes bear God's image fully on their own, each does so in a unique and distinct way. Male and female in relationship reflects truths about Jesus that aren't reflected by male alone or female alone."

**How Are Women Uniquely Created to Build Up the Church?** 9 Marks shares encouraging news for women regarding their roles within the church, "The role of women in the church is anchored in the unique role of women as determined by God in creation. Genesis 2 says, 'Then the LORD God said, 'It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper for him as his complement' (Gen. 2:18). This helper role isn't about subservience to men or being less-than. The word for helper, *Ezer*, is used throughout the Old Testament about God himself as he helps his people; for example, 'Israel, trust in

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the LORD! He is their help and shield. House of Aaron, trust in the Lord! He is their help and shield. You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD!' (Ps. 115:9-11). Women reflect the character of God's powerful help to his people when they support and build up the church."

Women are often more gregarious than men, therefore they speak more to others about the goings-on in their churches and in their personal ministries.

A Focus on the Family article tells us this about women, "They think differently, they process emotions differently, they make decisions differently and they learn differently. Men are problem-solvers by nature and look at things as like boxes. Fix one box and then move on. Though some jump from completed boxes faster than others, they communicate looking at the bottom line and focus on that."



The same article indicates women are driven to connect, and this is a major plus for kingdom connections. Another change agent to consider is how things have altered socially since the COVID-19 pandemic of 2020. Society was literally locked down for a period of time. People worked from home, and this changed the dynamics of the work environment both in places of employment and at home. We've slowly gained a new normal, with some businesses fully engaged in work at the office, and some remaining fully remote. But many Christian women who chose to work outside their homes have also chosen to engage more in serving with their local church.

### How Did Women Serve the Lord Jesus? The Gospels and the book of Acts both mention women who

came alongside and ministered to Jesus and to His Apostles. Luke 8:1-3 records as Jesus went through Israel "proclaiming and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God," that His twelve Apostles were with Him, "and also some women who had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, and Joanna, the wife of Chuza, Herod's household manager, and



Susanna, and many others, who provided for them out of their means."

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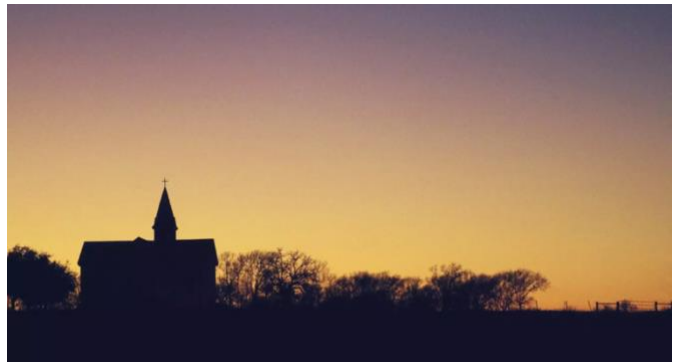
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Those women followed, learned, and provided. A few women named Mary followed Jesus (other than His mother). Author Hope Bollinger tells us, “The first, Mary, was the mother of one of Jesus’ disciples: James (Matthew 27:55-61). She provided for Jesus’ ministry via financial means, and two of her sons seemed to follow from Galilee to Jerusalem alongside her. She witnessed Jesus’ death and, likely, His resurrection (Mark 16:8).”

Faithful women were mentioned by the Apostle Paul in Romans 16:1-2 (Phoebe), Prisca (Priscilla) in vv. 3-5 (also mentioned in Acts 18), and Junia (Romans 16:7). According to Paul Carter, “Jesus welcomed women into his inner circle. He encouraged them to learn, he spoke to them directly and he insisted that they be treated kindly and with respect. Women played key roles in the planting of churches and the expansion of the Kingdom of God throughout the Roman world.”

**What Are Some Churches Today Doing Right in Connecting with Women?** Many astute church leaders have answered these women’s desires to serve the church by expanding the ministry offerings, effectively communicating the church’s needs, and/or creating new avenues where women can serve. A few stalwart examples include:

1. The 9 Marks Ministry states, “At 9 Marks, we help pastors, future pastors, and church members see what a biblical church looks like, and to take practical steps for becoming one.”
2. A quick look at Shadow Mountain’s Women’s Ministry website page displays seven Bible studies offered at various times during the week. It’s obvious this church body is focused on growing women deep into God’s Word. In addition, they have other ministries geared to help women serve in the church.
3. Bethlehem Baptist Church in Minneapolis says of their women’s ministry, “We aim to glorify God and enjoy him together through: - Prayer - Study and application of the Word – Fellowship.
4. Stonebriar Community Church in Frisco, Tx. has four main outlets through which women can grow in their faith and serve the church: Bible studies, small groups, resources to help with their walk with Christ, and service opportunities, which includes twenty-three different choices.



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Each organization listed above is a larger body of believers, but their ministry opportunities for women can easily be copied for use in a church of any size.

Outreach Magazine has a list which spells out four ways church leaders can support ministry to women. It's a great place to start if you feel your church isn't doing enough.

### 12 Ways Women Can Effectively Serve the Church and Reach More People in the Community

The following list is not in order of importance, excepting number one, which is a non-negotiable starting point.

- 1. Believers Must Be Constant and Fervent Students of God's Word.** This is the non-negotiable basis for all efforts made by women to reach within and outside of our churches. A woman must be a believer to have any eternal effect or impact for Christ. If we are to share the good news of Jesus Christ, we must be centered on Him and the truth of his Word. The Bible tells us to share the truth in love, and we will be well equipped as we immerse ourselves in Scripture, learn from biblically solid pastors and Sunday school teachers, and pray for the Lord to give us wisdom as we go forth.
- 2. Women's Conferences.** Hosted by solidly biblical organizations, women's conferences can serve to equip women to better serve the church as they grow in biblical knowledge and grace, and fellowship with other women who seek to serve the Lord to the best of their abilities (Colossians 3:23-24).
- 3. Writing** – Women who write articles (such as these), fiction and nonfiction books, blogs, posts, and even bulletin announcements are furthering knowledge of the kingdom to both believers and non-believers.
- 4. Women's Ministry/Bible Studies.** These are huge for women who long to serve the Lord. Both teaching and participating brings glory to the Lord because each role involves immersion into God's Word. It may seem simple to be a student or a teacher of a small group, but God brings the increase to everything we do to serve Him.
- 5. Worship Participants.** Women can take part in choir and worship teams on Sunday mornings and also during fellowship time or before an event staged by their church. The Bible tells us we are to



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be, “addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart” (Ephesians 5:19).

6. **Meals Ministry.** Many women enjoy serving others with the foods they are able to make. Whether it’s for an event at the church or meals made for homebound members or the community, everyone enjoys a good homemade meal.
7. **Prayer.** Prayer precedes and succeeds Bible study. It also anchors our focus on the Lord and His kingdom. It’s a daily routine we ought to love.
8. **Supporting Our Husbands with Prayer, Accountability, and Respect.** For those ladies who are married, Ephesians 5 and Proverbs 31 tell us much about a wife’s role as her husband’s helpmate. Submission may be a hard concept for some women, but ultimately, when we submit to a godly husband, we are submitting to Christ.
9. **Hospitality.** Providing a comfortable and welcoming atmosphere in our homes is a great way to serve others.
10. **International Mission Focused Ministry.** Many churches have opportunities to support international ministries.
11. **Local Outreach Visionaries and Implementers.** There are many ways to reach our communities through the list provided here and as communicated through Outreach magazine. These can include disaster support, dire needs of community families, etc.
12. **Communications.** Whether it’s through the church newsletters, bulletins, or social media, it’s always good to let our communities know what’s happening in our church. God may draw people in because of what we share.



The ways women can be involved in their local church is enhanced by how God is moving in their area. It’s hindered only by spiritual attacks and/or laziness. Pray and see how the Lord would have you serve Him through your church. And don’t forget to put on your spiritual armor (Ephesians 6:10-20)!