

# Reno Nevada Stake

## 2023 Ward Conference Reference Guide

### Ward Conference Dates:

January 22<sup>nd</sup> Canyon Creek (10:30 am)  
January 29<sup>th</sup> Peavine Valley (9:00 am)  
January 29<sup>th</sup> Beaumont (12:00 Noon)  
February 26<sup>th</sup> Skyline (9:30 am)  
February 26<sup>th</sup> Hunter Lake (12:00 Noon)  
April 23<sup>rd</sup> Tahoe North (10:00 am)

### Ward Conference Theme

*“...remember, remember that it is upon the rock of our Redeemer, who is Christ, the Son of God, that ye must build your foundation; that when the devil shall send forth his mighty winds, yea, his shafts in the whirlwind, yea, when all his hail and his mighty storm shall beat upon you, it shall have no power over you to drag you down to the gulf of misery and endless wo, because of the rock upon which ye are built, which is a sure foundation, a foundation whereon if men build they cannot fall.” (Helaman 5:12)*

*“How activism against the Church can blind, mislead ‘valiant’ souls” – Ahmad S. Corbitt ([Brother Corbitt: Activism against the Church can blind, mislead - Church News \(thechurchnews.com\)](#)), or [Activism vs. Discipleship, Protecting the Valiant || Brother Ahmad S. Corbitt - YouTube](#))*

*“The Everlasting Covenant” – President Russell M Nelson ([The Everlasting Covenant \(churchofjesuschrist.org\)](#))*

### Preparation for Ward Conference

In preparation for Ward Conference, all members are invited to review scriptures and articles that pertain to the theme of the conference. Please announce and include in the ward bulletin for 3 to 4 weeks in advance of your scheduled conference

Please have the Ward Clerk prepare five (5) copies of the sustaining list and provide it to the Stake Clerk in advance of the block for distribution. Your assigned Stake High Councilor will read the sustaining list during the business portion of your Sacrament Meeting.

Please invite reverence by having the sacrament prepared well in advance of the start of the meeting. Prelude music should begin 15 minutes before the scheduled start time and should consist of the hymns. Members of the bishopric and the stake presidency should be in their seats on the stand 5-10 minutes before the scheduled start time.

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### **Sacrament Meeting**

Please have a counselor in the bishopric conduct. Announcements should be kept to a minimum and placed in the printed program. Please conduct any required ward business and allow time for your assigned high councilor to read the sustaining list during the business section of the program. If any ordinances are to be performed (confirmations, etc.) please do so following the business.

Speakers in Sacrament Meeting will be the Bishop and the Stake President. The Bishop's remarks should be limited to 10-12 minutes. The remainder of the time should be left for the Stake President.

### **Primary**

The Stake Primary Presidency will teach Primary during the 2<sup>nd</sup> hour. Primary workers may attend the other session of Ward Conference. The Stake High Councilor over Primary and Stake Primary Presidency will coordinate this with your Ward Primary President.

### **Relief Society**

The Stake Relief Society Presidency will conduct and present the lesson during Relief Society.

### **Elders Quorum**

President Keele will preside and the High Councilor assigned to the Ward will accompany President Keele to assist in training/lesson presentation.

### **Youth**

President Dobbs will Preside and will be accompanied by President Jolley, Stake Young Women and Young Men leaders. All youth, Bishoprics, Young Women, Young Men leaders should attend. The instruction will be under the direction of the President Dobbs and President Jolley.

Please advise the Stake Executive Secretary of the desired locations for the above classes.