

Wise men seek Him.

### Living Hope Restoration Branch

2425 1/2 S. Crysler Ave. Independence, MO 64052 December 29, 2024

Presiding Deacon-in-Charge Pianist

Elder Zach Wilson **Deacon Cullen Maday** Jean Schmidt

Prelude

Welcome

Jean Schmidt

Proverbs 3:5-6

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart: and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths."

Hymn

"To Us a Child of Hope is Born"

HR#117

**Elder Nathan Reed** 

Monologue 1

Invocation

Vignette

Monologue 2

**Special Music** 

Offertory

**Guiding Scripture** 

**Special Music** 

Spoken Word

Hymn

Benediction

Children's Quartet Anopew Durning Elder Thoric Smith

2 Nephi 4:3

Jason Cain

**Elder Larry Cain** 

"Living Hope by Phil Wickham"

Elder Ben McLean

Next Sunday: Jan. 5, 2025 Presiding: Elder Jack Hagensen Speaking: Elder Bob Dickson Prayer Service: Jan. 1, 2025 Elder Ken Schmidt

Junior Church/Kingdom Kids meet in the upstairs classrooms at 10:30am during service every 2nd and 4th Sunday.

Announcements: Would you like to receive Living Hope text voice messages announcements and prayer requests? Please contact Becky Stayton at: **sbstayton87@gmail.com** or Rich Hinkle at: **richesthome@hotmail.com**. To make announcements or prayer requests, contact Becky Stayton at: 816-830-5141.

Living Hope Live Streaming for adult classes at 9am and Song Services/ Morning Worship Services at will be at: <u>livinghopebranch.org</u> Click the link.

**On-Line Giving!** Text our "Giving" phone number at 816-688-3737 or online at **livinghopebranch.org/online-giving** 

Please check the lost and found. For missing items! Thank you.

There will be a short business meeting immediately following church on January 12 to discuss whether we want to pave the parking lot.



#### To Known God and to Make Him Known

Jesus has taught us to love the Lord our God. Matthew 22: 36-39

Jesus said unto him, Thou love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, And with all thy soul, and with all thy mind? This is the first And great commandment and the second is like unto it. Thou shalt Love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all The law and the prophets.

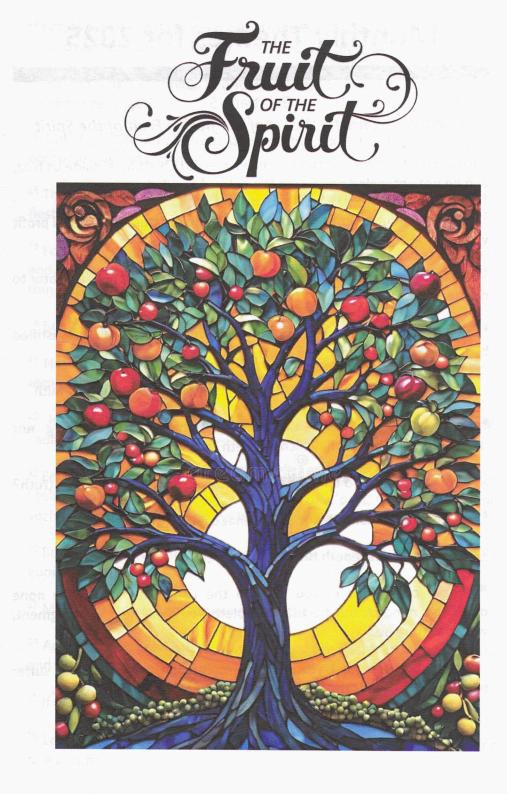
The mission of the Living Hope Restoration Branch of the Church Of Jesus Christ is to come to know the Lord more fully through prayer and fasting, worship and reading of the word. We are then Called to spread the Gospel to all who do not know Him.

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## **Monthly Themes for 2025**

#### Galatians 5

Freedom in Christ—Works of the flesh—Fruit of the Spirit

<sup>1</sup> Stand fast, therefore, in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.

<sup>2</sup> Behold, I, Paul, say unto you that if ye be circumcised, Christ shall profit you nothing.

<sup>3</sup> For I testify again to every man that is circumcised, that he is a debtor to do the whole law.

<sup>4</sup> Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace.

<sup>5</sup> For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith.

<sup>6</sup> For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth anything nor uncircumcision, but faith, which worketh by love.

<sup>7</sup> Ye did run well. Who did hinder you, that ye should not obey the truth?

<sup>8</sup> This persuasion cometh not of him that calleth you.

<sup>9</sup> A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.

<sup>10</sup> I have confidence in you through the Lord, that ye will be none otherwise minded; but he that troubleth you shall bear his judgment, whosoever he be.

<sup>11</sup> And I, brethren, if I yet preach circumcision, why do I yet suffer persecution? Then is the offense of the cross ceased.

<sup>12</sup> I would they were even cut off which trouble you.

<sup>13</sup> For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.

<sup>14</sup> For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.

<sup>15</sup> But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another.

<sup>16</sup> This I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

<sup>17</sup> For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary, the one to the other, so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

<sup>18</sup> But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.

<sup>19</sup> Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,

<sup>20</sup> Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

<sup>21</sup> Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like; of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

<sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

<sup>23</sup> Meekness, temperance; against such there is no law.

<sup>24</sup> And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

<sup>25</sup> If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

<sup>26</sup> Let us not be desirous of vainglory, provoking one another, envying one another.

## **Monthly Themes for 2025**

January	Obedience – 1 Nephi {Lehi}
February	Gentleness - Luke 10 Mary of Bethany {Washed His Feet}
March	Sacrifice - Book of Ruth
April	Stewardship – Luke 21 {Widow with Mites}
Мау	Faith – Abraham {Offered Up Issac}
June	Meekness – John the Baptist
July	Wisdom – Matthew 25 The Ten Virgins
August	{Sheltered Jews in Jericho}
September	Boldness – Alma 14 {Alma and the Sons of Mosiah}
October	
November	Joy – Luke 1:41 Elizabeth {Mother of the Baptist} Luke 1:41: And it came to pass that when Elizabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb.
December	Love – Christ

# BOOK OF MORMON READING CHALLENGE 2025

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#### ~ BOOK OF MORMON READING CHALLENGE 2025 ~

DAY	DATE	SCRIPTURE
1	Monday - 01/06/2025	Moroni 10:1-7
2	TUESDAY - 01/07/2025	1 NEPHI 1:1-83
3	WEDNESDAY - 01/08/2025	1 Nерні 1:84-174
4	THURSDAY - 01/09/2025	1 NEPHI 2
5	FRIDAY - 01/10/2025	1 Nерні 3:1-129
6	Monday - 01/13/2025	1 NEPHI 3;130-229
7	TUESDAY - 01/14/2025	1 NEPHI 3:230-4:29
8	WEDNESDAY - 01/15/2025	1 Nерні 4:30-5:63
9	THURSDAY - 01/16/2025	1 NEPHI 5:64-178
10	FRIDAY - 01/17/2025	1 Nephi 5:179-264
11	MONDAY - 01/20/2025	1 Перні 6-7-
12	TUESDAY - 01/21/2025	1 Nерні 5:179-264
13	WEDNESDAY - 01/22/2025	2 Nерні 1:101-250
14	THURSDAY - 01/23/2025	2 NEPHI 3:4
15	FRIDAY - 01/24/2025	2 NEPHI 1:101-250
16	MONDAY - 01/27/2025	2 NEPHI 6:51-8:15
17	TUESDAY - 01/28/2025	2 NEPHI 8:16-9:16
18	WEDNESDAY - 01/29/2025	2 Nephi 9:17-120
19	THURSDAY - 01/30/2025	2 NEPHI 9:121-11:19
20	FRIDAY - 01/31/2025	2 Nерні 11:20-115
21	MONDAY - 02/03/2025	2 NEPHI 11:116-12:52
22	TUESDAY - 02/04/2025	2 Nерні 12:52-13:32
23	WEDNESDAY - 02/05/2025	2 Nерні 11:116-12:52
24	THURSDAY - 02/06/2025	ЈАСОВ 2:22-3:29
25	FRIDAY - 02/07/2025	ЈАСОВ 3:300-153
26	MONDAY - 02/10/2025	JACOB 4:1-5:48
27	TUESDAY - 02/11/2025	ENOS AND JAROM
28	WEDNESDAY - 02/12/2025	Omni – Mosiah 1:46
29	THURSDAY - 02/13/2025	Mosiah 1:47-2:6
30	FRIDAY - 02/14/2025	Mosiah 2:7-5:14
31	Monday - 02/17/2025	Mosiah 5:15-6:16
32	TUESDAY - 02/18/2025	Mosiah 6:17-7:124
22	WEDNESDAY - 02/19/2025	Mosiah 8:1-9:12
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33	THURSDAY - 02/20/2025	Mosiah 9:13-107

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36	Monday - 02/24/2025	Mosiah 11:1-93
37	TUESDAY - 02/25/2025	Mosiah 11:94-196
38	WEDNESDAY - 02/26/2025	Mosiah 11:197-13:52
39	THURSDAY - 02/27/2025	MOSIAH 13:153-ALMA 1:130
40	FRIDAY - 02/28/2025	Alma 1:31-116
41	MONDAY - 03/03/2025	Alma 1:117-3:60
42	TUESDAY - 03/04/2025	Alma 3:61-5:29
43	WEDNESDAY - 03/05/2025	Alma 5:30-6:42
44	THURSDAY - 03/06/2025	Alma 7:1-8:67
45	FRIDAY - 03/07/2025	Alma 8:68-9:73
46	MONDAY - 03/10/2025	Alma 10:1-88
47	TUESDAY - 03/11/2025	Alma 10:89-11:33
48	WEDNESDAY - 03/12/2025	Alma 12:1-123
49	THURSDAY - 03/13/2025	ALMA 12:124-221
50	FRIDAY - 03/14/2025	ALMA 13
_ 51	MONDAY - 03/17/2025	ALMA 14:1-77
52	TUESDAY - 03/18/2025	Alma 14:78-128
53	WEDNESDAY - 03/19/2025	Alma 15
54	THURSDAY - 03/20/2025	Alma 16:1-79
55	FRIDAY - 03/21/2025	Alma 16:80-169
56	MONDAY - 03/24/2025	Alma 16:1-79
57	TUESDAY - 03/25/2025	Alma 16:247-17:30
58	WEDNESDAY - 03/26/2025	Alma 17:31-18:18
59	THURSDAY - 03/27/2025	Alma 19:1-80
60	FRIDAY - 03/28/2025	Alma 19:81-20:49
61	MONDAY - 03/31/2025	Alma 20:50-21:39
62	TUESDAY - 04/01/2025	Alma 21:40-113
63	WEDNESDAY - 04/02/2025	Alma 21:114-186
64	THURSDAY - 04/03/2025	Alma 22
65	FRIDAY - 04/04/2025	ALMA 23:1-24:60
66	MONDAY - 04/07/2025	Alma 24:61-25:15
67	TUESDAY - 04/08/2025	Alma 25:16-26:42
68	WEDNESDAY - 04/09/2025	Alma 26:43-129
69	THURSDAY - 04/10/2025	ALMA 26:130-27:35
70	FRIDAY - 04/11/2025	Alma 27:36-29:33
71	MONDAY - 04/14/2025	Alma 29:34-Helaman 1:8
72	TUESDAY - 04/15/2025	HELAMAN 1:9-3:22

#### $\sim$ Book of Mormon Reading Challenge 2025 $\sim$

DAY	DATE	SCRIPTURE
73	WEDNESDAY - 04/16/2025	Helaman 2:21-98
74	THURSDAY - 04/17/2025	HELAMAN 2:99-168
75	FRIDAY - 04/18/2025	HELAMAN 3:1-84
- 76	Monday - 04/21/2025	HELAMAN 3:85-4:34
77	TUESDAY - 04/22/2025	HELAMAN 4:35-5:47
78	WEDNESDAY - 04/23/2025	HELAMAN 5:48-129
79	THURSDAY - 04/24/2025	HELAMAN 5:130-3NEPHI 1
80	FRIDAY - 04/25/2025	3 NEPHI 2:1-89
81	MONDAY - 04/28/2025	3 NEPHI 2:90-3:61
82	TUESDAY - 04/29/2025	3 NEPHI 3:62-4
83	WEDNESDAY - 04/30/2025	3 Nephi 5:1-92
84	THURSDAY - 05/01/2025	3 NEPHI 5:93-7:45
85	FRIDAY - 05/02/2025	3 NEPHI 8
86	MONDAY - 05/05/2025	3 Nерні 9:1-93
87	TUESDAY - 05/06/2025	3 Nерні 9:94-10:41
88	WEDNESDAY - 05/07/2025	3 МЕРНІ 11-12
89	THURSDAY - 05/08/2025	3 NEPHI 13:4-4 NEPHI 1:13
90	FRIDAY - 05/09/2025	4 NEPHI 1:14-MORMON 1:56
91	Monday - 05/12/2025	MORMON 1:37-2:33
92	TUESDAY - 05/13/2025	MORMON 2:34-3:33
93	WEDNESDAY - 05/14/2025	MORMON 4
94	THURSDAY - 05/15/2025	ETHER 1:1-89
95	FRIDAY - 05/16/2025	ETHER 1:90-3:49
96	Monday - 05/19/2025	ETHER 1:1-89
97	TUESDAY - 05/20/2025	ETHER 4:35-115
98	WEDNESDAY - 05/21/2025	ETHER 5-6
99	THURSDAY - 05/22/2025	Moroni 1-7
100	FRIDAY - 05/23/2025	MORONI 8:10

# Saturday, January 4, 2025



## Worship Service

at the Stone Church

Doors open at 5:00 pm

Song Service - 5:20 pm

Worship Service - 6:10 pm

# 2025 BOOK OF MORMON FOUNDATION INTERNSHIP

JUNE 8-JULY 19

AGES 19-24 AT LEAST ONE YEAR OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL

APPLY NOW WWW.BOMF.ORG/INTERNSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE MIDNIGHT, FEBRUARY 9

2025 WINTER RETREAT JANUARY 24-26

> SEEK ME IN THY YOUTH ALMA 17:68-70

AGES 17-24 \$35 IF EARLY REGISTERED; AT DOOR \$45 ODESSA HILLS CAMPGROUNDS

REGISTER TODAY WWW.BOMF.ORG/INTERNSHIP



#### LIVING HOPE NEIGHBORHOOD PRAYER WALK/DRIVE SATURDAY, JANUARY 11TH @ 9:00AM

#### Join us or consider doing this in your own neighborhood. Our city cries out in need for our prayers.

Jeremiah 29:7 And seek the peace of the city whither I have caused you to be carried away captives, and pray unto the Lord for it; for in the peace thereof shall ye have peace.

Helps as you walk or drive:

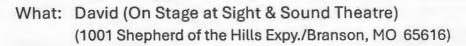
**W** – **Worship** As you set off walking begin with your eyes on Jesus. Say the name of Jesus; recite a Psalm; hum a worship song; – basically anything that helps declare the Lordship of Jesus over the streets you walk on.

A - Ask Flowing from your worship begin petitioning God for His Spirit to fall on the streets you walk on, the homes, businesses, schools and other churches you walk past.

L – Listen As you worship and pray, leave space to listen to what God might want to say to you - then pray that back. Often God may give you promises from scripture or words and pictures; listen for promises and literally walk these promises all over your community.

**K** - Know your neighborhood/city Get (and keep) yourself informed around the area you are prayer-walking; what is its history; some of its ongoing problems; so you can pray for breakthrough. Take time to praise God and celebrate the good things that are in your area, asking God to make your area a blessing beyond its borders God and celebrate the good

# SIGHT & SOUND



When: Saturday, May 17, 2025

sight & sound

- Time: 11:30 a.m.
- Cost: Depending on the seats that are chosen AND the size of the group, seat costs are between \$59 & \$79, PLUS, tax & service fees
- Note: If you are interested in attending, please sign up on the sheet on the back table. More details to follow.

Also, if you are interested in camping, 6 sites are being reserved at Branson Landing RV Park. You must let Janet Dickson know if you want one of the reserved campsites.

#### Sign Up is Closed on Sunday, January 19, 2025

# 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Service Schedule

9:00 a.m. ..... Priesthood Prayer

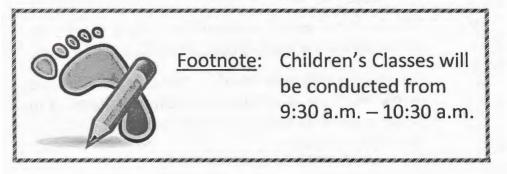
9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. ..... Circle Prayer

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. ...... Family Testimony

10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. ..... Medication

10:30 a.m. ..... Sacrament Service

<u>Note</u>: To encourage fasting on Sacrament Sundays, the kitchen will be closed.



Overnight at Living Hope!

## Kingdom Kids is having a camp/sleepover at Living Hope!



February 16, 2025: starts right after church If interested, please let us know right away so preparations can be made. Please contact Becky Stayton or Pete and Dawn Peterson.

The children have planned the event but need parental guidance to execute it.

#### Women's Ministry for January 2025

#### January's Theme: Obedience

We are looking forward to a year full of fellowship, worship, study, service, and getting to know each other better as we grow



closer to our Heavenly Father, our Savior, our Friend.

#### Mark Your Calendars:

Jan 2 @ 6:30 Women's Ministry Meeting and Activity night. Refreshments, Sharing (reflections) of 2024 & Prayers for the new year. You will also get your new book club book! We hope to see you there!!

Jan 16 Women's Book Club 6:30 @ Living Hope. After refreshments, we will be going over the first part of our new book.

#### **Restoration Women's Council Activities:**

**RWC Winter Gathering will be Feb. 8th** at the Outreach Branch. The theme is "God Will Do A New Thing and Make a Way".

#### **Meal Ministry**

If you, or someone you know could benefit from our meal ministry, please call or text Shari or Connie.

#### **On Going Visiting Ministry**

If you, or someone you know would enjoy a visit during the day, evening or weekend, please call or text Shari and she'll set it up.

Thank you for supporting your branch & Women's Ministry Shari Mason 360-600-6807 & Connie Smith 816-204-8211

Centor Moms

## Want to connect with other moms?

## Join our Mentor4Moms group!

You will enjoy relaxing discussions with other moms about effective parenting strategies while you nibble on light snacks. Your children will be engaged in their own activities with stories, crafts, snacks, games and music!



## **STARTING WEDNESDAY JANUARY 8TH!**

Sessions will be every 2nd & 4th Wednesday from IOAM-Noon, January through May 2025.

Directors: Holly McLean & Sarah Smith

Childcare Coordinator: Jessica Holmes

Location: Living Hope Restoration Church 2425-1/2 S. Crysler Avenue, Independence, MO

TO ALLOW PREPARATION FOR ADEQUATE CHILDCARE AND SUPPLIES. PLEASE RSVP TO 816-206-0690

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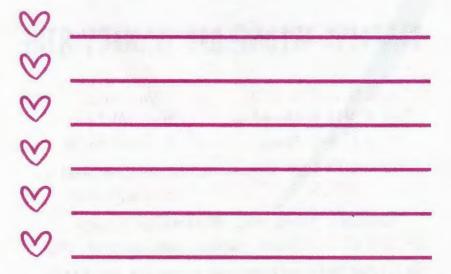
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Children's Names & Birthdates



Please send this form to: holly@mommyanswerlady.com If there is a specific parenting issue you would like to discuss, please include it in your email! RSVP to 816-206-0690