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**BRIGHTON FIRST WARD
BRIGHTON STAKE**

BANNER

JANUARY 1990

As we witness the changes that are taking place in many of the countries of the world, we see people crying out for peace and religious freedom. The Berlin Wall has come down, Communist Governments are being replaced with democratic principals through the demands of the people. We recently heard of a young missionary's call being changed from Finland to Leningrad.

The mission of Christ was to bring Peace to the world. I believe the following poem beautifully describes his mission.

Peace will come when people live
In friendship, side by side,
And cherish understanding
More than hatred, greed, and pride.

Peace will come when people see
All people as the same,
And no one has to live in fear,
In ignorance, or shame.

Peace will come when people
Who are needy can reach out
For shelter, food, or love,
And no one has to do without.

Peace will come when people
Learn to listen and to care
About the rights and dignity
Of people everywhere.

Peace will come when love and trust
And kindness know rebirth,
And on that day all people
Will rejoice in peace on earth. ---Amanda Bradley

As we start the new year, I feel grateful for the opportunity I have to raise my family in this land and in this area. As we see these changes take place in the world may we look to the future when there comes the day when there will be true Peace on Earth. I pray that all families throughout the world may enjoy the freedoms that we enjoy. That all people may have the opportunity to hear the truths of the gospel and enjoy the eternal blessings that it brings as they live its principles.

Bill Allen
1st Counselor

Mission News



MICHAEL SPENCER

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We received a phone call from Mike before Christmas informing us of his release date, Feb. 2nd. He said he was fine and not to worry about him. He is in a resort town and baptisms are rather slow now because most of the people there are vacationing and don't want to be bothered with missionaries.

We were surprised when he asked me for a recipe for apricot jam. It seems they have an apricot tree by their apartment and they are tired of eating just plain apricots. We didn't even know Mike liked apricot jam. He wouldn't eat it when he was home.

CHUCK STUBBS

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On November 20th Chuck wrote that he had received word (10:30 p.m. that night) that he was being transferred. By 9:00a.m. the next morning he was there. His old area was called El Jaquel--the new one Florenco Valero. Both are on the outskirts of Buenos Aires and are suburbs. It is still very warm & humid this time of year in Argentina. The good news of the transfer is he lives with the zone leader. That means an apartment that has a toilet that flushes!

Chuck still finds the language a struggle and a little embarrassing when a child points to his tie---tugs on it and gives him the Spanish word for tie very slowly. Since he hardly ever speaks English, the language problems are slowly disappearing. Chuck emphasizes how encouraging it is to have good contacts & baptisms. In between the lines we read of his struggles with loneliness & discouragement but out front he is positive, happy, and thrilled with the work.

With periodic mail strikes, we still haven't heard from Chuck with any regularity and haven't received word that any of his small packages ever arrived

HEIDI CHARTRAND

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Heidi was only in Graz (her first assignment) for one week before she had to move. The Elders had been bothered by phone calls from a young woman who was harrassing them, so the Elders & Sisters switched apartments, which put the girls in a more desirable part of town, and the Elders in the inner-city.

Graz is a very beautiful city, and Heidi and her companion are trying to get to know the members better, in order to gain their support and help for missionary work. They are making appointments to practice their discussions with them, and hope to do some re-activating & fellowshiping too. Many of the members there don't have a real testimony of missionary work but hopefully they will soon.

The latest approach for them right now to get contacts is to set up their display on a corner and then sing hymns or carols. She says it makes people happy and interests them, making it much easier to keep smiling. Currently they are teaching a very fine woman. Heidi loves the work, the language, the challenges, the learning, and the study.

ELDER & SISTER DEAN

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Thank you for sharing your spirit with us at our Farewell and/or Open House on Dec. 10th.

We loved the MTC & became very close to our study group. They went to: Germany, Malta, Tonga, Washington D.C., and Independence, MO. We loved meeting and talking with as many missionaries as we could. We found several from our stake.

Our testimonies have been strengthened and our appreciation for the Gospel Plan has deepened. It was worth the mission call just to have the privilege of experiencing the MTC.

IT IS BETTER TO CONCEAL ONE'S KNOWLEDGE THAN TO REVEAL ONE'S IGNORANCE.



MELVIN & MARJORIE BROWN had an enjoyable holiday season this year as their whole family were able to come for the holidays. It is not often that they can all get together.

GET WELL

BOB OSTLER suffered a heart attack on Christmas Day. He underwent balloon angioplasty on January 2nd. We wish him well on his recovery.

TOM BIERMAN, former member of our ward, passed away December 13. Tom touched the hearts of all those who knew him and will be remembered by all of us.

RELEASED

BRUCE JONES has accepted a position as General Manager of a manufacturing company in Dallas Texas. His family will be moving to Texas as soon as they can sell their house. We will miss them.

Steve Johnson S.S. Presidency
Bill & Kari Jackman Primary Teacher
Pymm Chartrand S.S. Teacher

SUSTAINED

Steve Johnson
Nephi Bierman
Ward Building Maintenance Supervisors
Alan Blackhurst S.S. Presidency
Peggy Waltman Primary Teacher
Randy Sutton S.S. Teacher
JiJi Perkins Primary Teacher

Warmest wishes

for a

Bright New Year

Welcome home to FRANK & CINDY MONTOYA and son MATTHEW. Frank has been serving as a 1st Lt. in the Army for the past four years. They are living with his parents on Oakcreek Drive.

We want to welcome the family of RANDY & PEGGY WALTMAN into our ward. They live on Danish Oaks Drive.

We want to welcome JOHN & FRANCES HOUSKEEPER into our ward. They live at 7775 Steffensen Drive.

We are glad to finally be able to welcome the family of DALE RYCROFT into the ward. There is his wife, DEBBIE, and daughters, NATALEE, KIMBERLEE, & EMILEE. We hope to become acquainted with you soon.

BANNER STAFF

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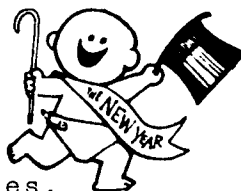
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WAYNE CLAYTON & TAMMY BURNINGHAM were married Dec. 21st in the Salt Lake Temple. A lovely reception was held that evening in their honor.

MAITLAND & EARLENE SPENCER have been elected president of their square dance club for 1990. Incidentally, new classes are starting in January and if anyone would like to learn to square dance we would love to have you join our club. We dance on Friday evenings, \$5.00 per couple.

BABY NEWS



CONGRATULATIONS!

Little PAIGE HAMILTON was born Nov. 13th. She weighed 6 pounds 12 ounces. Her father, will give her a name and a blessing on Fast Sunday in January. PAUL & GLADYS are the proud parents.

DARRIN TEA has received a mission call to serve in the Kentucky Louisville Mission. He will enter the MTC Feb. 14th.

STEVEN & CARI ZOLLINGER blessed and named their baby ALEXANDER ZILLINGER.

STEFFENSENS HONORED! When Wes & Rea were in Hawaii last month, part of their itinerary included attending a large luau where more than 500 people attended. The M.C. asked people how long they had been married, 10 years, 15 years, and up and up. Wes kept holding his hand up as the M.C. was asking for higher numbers. Finally, he asked Wes how long he had been married and when Wes told him 52 years, people could hardly believe it. Wes & Rea were interviewed and told that in all the time this M.C. had been there, they had been married longer than anyone he had talked to. They were given a video tape of the show and everyone thought they were wonderful. So do we!

LYNN & BARBRA BRASHER became grandparents for the 19th time when SPENCER BRIGGS was born on October 5th. This new baby is the son on DYKE & CARRIE BRIGGS.

WILFORD & LOIS INGLEBY became grandparents again when TANNER LEE HATCH was born to KENT & SUSAN INGLEBY HATCH. He was born Nov. 20th and weighed 6 pounds 10 ounces. The new baby has three brothers and one sister.

TODD & JENNETTE WATTS became parents for the first time when little BRAEDON was born Dec. 9th, weighing in at 7 pounds 14 ounces. Grandparents are NICK & DONNA WATTS.

TENNEY CLAWSON was ordained a High Priest and sustained Second Counselor in the Brighton Ninth Ward Bishopric.

WEDDING BELLS!

Wedding bells will be ringing for WENDEE WILSON & her fiance, JOHN WARING. The wedding date has been set for June 1990.

LINDSAY JONES has graduated from Primary and is now in Young Women's.

JACK HARRIS was baptized by his Grandfather Zollinger and then confirmed by Grandfather Harris.

Thanks!







JEREMY RAY BEATTIE was ordained an Elder in the Melchizedek Priesthood.

MARGE TAYLOR expresses deep appreciation to all ward members for the expressions of sympathy at the passing of her husband, Bob, and to the Relief Society for the lovely luncheon that was prepared for the family.

ADRIAN THOMAS has been advanced to the Young Womens Program.

SHIRLEY KIDD would like to thank all of you for the flowers, cards, visits, phone calls, and meals that were brought to her home during her illness.

IF YOU GUESS THE CORRECT INITIAL LETTERS OF THE PICTURE CLUES, YOU WILL SPELL THE NAME OF A FAMOUS INVENTOR.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

YOUNG WOMEN

In December the Young Women did many things associated with the season of giving.

Kathleen McGuire gave a beautiful talk on "Divine Nature".

We made yummy micro-wave candy and were given the recipes so that we could make the candy for our families. The Laurels made braided bread sticks or pizza loafs which were delicious. The Young Women are turning out to be excellent homemakers!

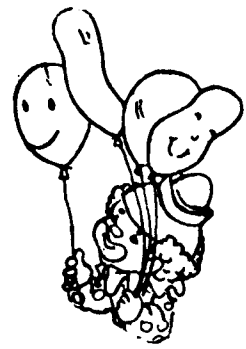
The YM/YW had a big sub for Santa party for the Primary children in one of the inner-city wards. The children were thrilled with the gifts that were given to them from our YM/YW and also with the visit from Santa and the treat that he gave. The party was a huge success and our YM and YW felt good about being able to help provide a better Christmas for those who are less fortunate.



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Jordan Gleave
- 1 Emilee Hague
- 1 Rudy Siebenhaar
- 2 Laverna Clawson
- 4 Matthew Boulton
- 7 Jamison Brown
- 10 Ray Haueter
- 10 Jan Vanderhooft
- 11 Shirley Kidd
- 15 Cameron Copeland
- 15 David Glad
- 16 Kaylee Thomas
- 17 Scott Paxman
- 20 Holly Smith
- 21 Marya Bradshaw
- 21 Malysa Fichialos
- 24 Matthew Paxman
- 24 Jerry Terkelson
- 24 Donna Watts
- 25 Charles Major
- 26 Kendra Barbour
- 27 Amber Hawkes
- 27 Sharon Nytech
- 29 Michael Vanderhooft
- 31 Lola Kartchner
- 31 Jennifer Rosen

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



NO MORE STRANGERS DANCE

January 12

Sandy Central Stake
1050 East Galena
Sandy, Utah

RELIEF SOCIETY

RELIEF SOCIETY HOMEMAKING NIGHT has been changed to TUESDAYS in 1990.

The first Homemaking Meeting of this year will be February 6th.

IT IS ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL COMPENSATIONS OF THIS LIFE, THAT NO MAN CAN SINCERELY HELP ANOTHER, WITHOUT HELPING HIMSELF

PRIMARY

This month in Primary was great. The children and everyone who participated in the Christmas party had fun singing carols throughout the Steffensen Heights subdivision. We then came back to the church for lunch. Santa came and talked to each child and gave treats to each one.

The Primary board members shared a special evening at the Call's home. Great food and a good time was had by all who attended.

This year has been a great year and we want to thank all the teachers & leaders who made it that way--you're the BEST!

We are looking forward to another great year in 1990. HAPPY NEW YEAR!

DANNY LARISCH

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Danny called us on Dec. 24th. It was very nice to hear him talk. He is doing very well and he is happy. They are having a few baptisms in Dec. & Jan. Danny writes that he has a new girl friend but luckily she is just nine years old. She writes him love notes and will give him a ring before he leaves.

There is an epidemic of flu and many missionaries are ill with it.

Danny is coming home the end of April or in May. He loved the Christmas notes from the ward and asked us to thank all the members for them.

DAN CLOWARD

West Indies Mission
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Recently, the U.S. & Trinidad competed in a soccer game in Trinidad. The missionaries were not allowed to leave their apartment for two days during the games because of the possible danger to them with the rivalry there. The U.S. won, 1-0.

Being a person with white skin is unusual enough that everyone stares at Dan & the other missionaries. Dan says he's gotten used to it by now. He has had his first baptism & was really excited about it. This sweet sister is so dedicated that she travels 1½ hours each way to church & back. He loves the work & says the areas that he is assigned are very "ripe" and easy to teach.

Dan says the roads are the worst he's seen & he finds it frustrating because they have natural asphalt there to use if they would do it. Many things like this make him appreciate the United States but he says the people are so good to them & so friendly that it is worth it. He's never been so happy.

KEVIN COPELAND

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Kevin's patriarchal blessing told of marvelous things that would take place when he became a leader in the mission field. This has certainly been happening. One day, after praying about which doors to knock on, Kevin & comp were let into the house of an elderly woman. She told about dreaming about her husband who had passed away eight months ago. They talked more and felt good about the visit.

Then they knocked on another door on another street quite a distance from the first house. This was a woman whose husband had died three years ago. This was the daughter of the first woman. The daughter told them that two missionaries from our church talked to her after the death of her husband and their words really helped her. The spirit was very strong there and Kevin & comp were going back to give the first discussion to both mother and daughter.

ROGER BUTTERS

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Elder Butters has been in Brazil for over a month now & is enjoying his experiences there. Even though it is now in the hottest part of the summer, he is getting used to sunburns & extremely hot days of tracting. He hasn't quite gotten used to all the mosquito bites. Even with these challenges he is thrilled to be there and loves being a missionary.

Roger says he loves to work hard. They get up early & tract late into the night. They have just had seven baptisms and are looking forward to more before the end of the year. These baptisms make all the hard work so worthwhile! He mentioned that he had such a marvelous feeling with each baptism and those he baptized are such great people they will be strong members of the church.