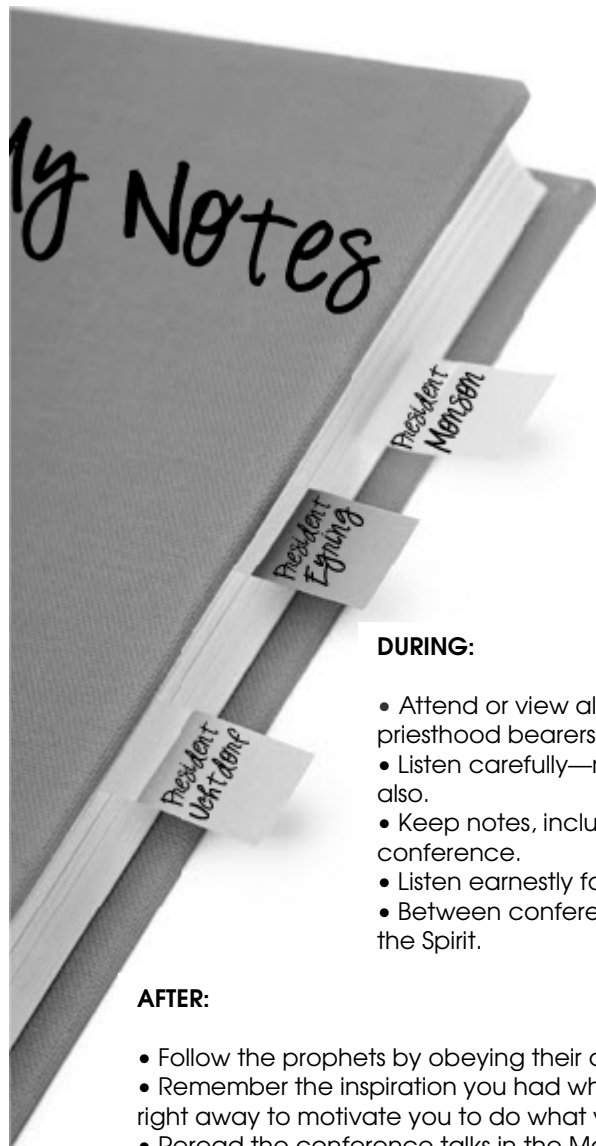


my conference notebook

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"Decide now to make general conference a priority in your life. Decide to listen carefully and follow the teachings that are given. Listen to or read the talks more than once to better understand and follow the counsel. By doing these things, the gates of hell will not prevail against you, the powers of darkness will be dispersed from before you, and the heavens will shake for your good."

- Paul V. Johnson, "The Blessings of General Conference," Ensign, November 2005, 50.



Pre-conference Checklist

BEFORE:

- Start thinking now about questions or concerns you have. Write them down, and pray that you will find solutions and guidance during conference.
- Do those things which invite the Spirit into your life so you will have a better understanding of what will be taught.
- Have a willing heart, ready to obey the words of the prophets.
- Be awake for conference. Get a good night's sleep.
- Prepare a notebook, pens, your scriptures, and anything else you might need.
- Pray for those who are assigned to speak.

DURING:

- Attend or view all the sessions, including the priesthood session for priesthood bearers or the General Young Women Meeting for women.
- Listen carefully—not just to the speakers, but to the prayers and songs also.
- Keep notes, including any inspiration you might receive during conference.
- Listen earnestly for answers to the questions you have.
- Between conference sessions, participate in activities that will invite the Spirit.

AFTER:

- Follow the prophets by obeying their counsel.
- Remember the inspiration you had while you were listening to conference. Make goals right away to motivate you to do what you felt inspired to do.
- Reread the conference talks in the May *Ensign*. Studying the words of the prophets again will help you remember their most current counsel for you.

Conference is for YOU!

“Those who will address us have sought heaven’s help and direction as they have prepared their messages. They have been impressed concerning that which they will share with us.”

– President Thomas S. Monson, New Era, Nov. 2009, 2–3

In order for YOU to get the most from Conference, write down one question (or more) that you would like an answer to. As the speakers share their messages, listen for specific impressions or thoughts that help answer your question(s).

I wonder....

Once conference is over, decide upon a way you can act upon that which you have heard. “In order for the messages of general conference to change our lives, we need to be willing to follow the counsel we hear. The Lord explained in a revelation to the Prophet Joseph Smith “that when ye are assembled together ye shall instruct and edify each other, that ye may know ... how to act upon the points of my law and commandment.” But knowing “how to act” isn’t enough. The Lord in the next verse said, “Ye shall bind yourselves to act in all holiness before me.” This willingness to take action on what we have learned opens the doors for marvelous blessings.” - Paul V. Johnson, “The Blessings of General Conference,” *Ensign*, Nov 2005, 50.

I will...

COME, LISTEN TO
**A PROPHET'S
VOICE**



My Testimony
of the prophet

President Thomas S. Monson



In one word, his talk was on:

President Henry B. Eyring



In one word, his talk was on:

President Dieter F. Uchtdorf



In one word, his talk was on:

NOTES:

DID YOU KNOW....

that he can wiggle his ears?

NOTES:

DID YOU KNOW....

that President Kimball was his uncle?

NOTES:

DID YOU KNOW....

that he was born in Czechoslovakia?

President Boyd K. Packer



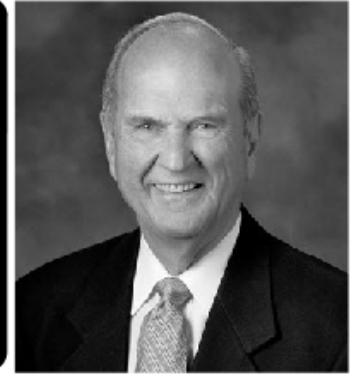
In one word, his talk was on:

Elder L. Tom Perry



In one word, his talk was on:

Elder Russell M. Nelson



In one word, his talk was on:

NOTES:

DID YOU KNOW....

that he loves to paint, sculpt and carve?

NOTES:

DID YOU KNOW....

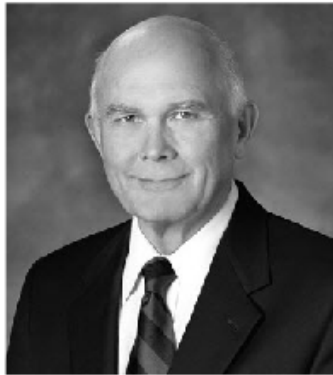
that he was very shy in high school?

NOTES:

DID YOU KNOW....

that he plays the piano, organ? He also use to be a heart surgeon.

Elder Dallin H. Oaks



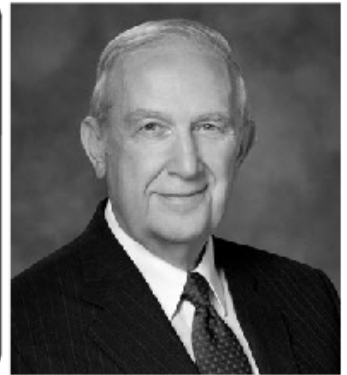
In one word, his talk was on:

Elder M. Russell Ballard



In one word, his talk was on:

Elder Richard G. Scott



In one word, his talk was on:

NOTES:

DID YOU KNOW....

that he plays tennis, loves to garden and read?

NOTES:

DID YOU KNOW....

that Hyrum Smith is his great-great grandfather?

NOTES:

DID YOU KNOW....

that he played the clarinet & saxophone in a jazz band?

Elder Robert D. Hales



In one word, his talk was on:

Elder Jeffrey R. Holland



In one word, his talk was on:

Elder David A. Bednar



In one word, his talk was on:

NOTES:

NOTES:

NOTES:

DID YOU KNOW....

that he was a jet fighter pilot flying F84 and F100 aircrafts ?

DID YOU KNOW....

that as a teenager he wanted to build & race hot rods for a living ?

DID YOU KNOW....

that his home never had trees in the backyard so he could play baseball and football?

Elder Quentin L. Cook



In one word, his talk was on:

Elder D. Todd Christofferson



In one word, his talk was on:

Elder Neil L. Andersen



In one word, his talk was on:

NOTES:

DID YOU KNOW....

that he first met his wife at a 7th grade talent assembly ?

NOTES:

DID YOU KNOW....

that he was a lieutenant and captain in the U.S. Army ?

NOTES:

DID YOU KNOW....

that he speaks four languages?

Statistical Report for 2009

The statistical report was presented by: _____

NUMBER OF CHURCH UNITS

Number of stakes: _____
Number of missions: _____
Number of districts: _____
Number of wards/branches: _____

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Total Membership: _____
Increase in children of record: _____
Convert baptisms: _____

MISSIONARIES

Number of full-time missionaries: _____

TEMPLES

Temples dedicated in 2009: _____
Temples rededicated in 2009: _____
Number of temples in operation as of 12/31/2009: _____

PROMINENT CHURCH MEMBERS

List prominent church members who have passed away since the last conference:

Conference Center Facts

- The Conference Center is the largest religious indoor auditorium in the world.
- There are 21,000 seats in the main auditorium.
- The organ has 7,667 pipes.
- The Conference Center complex measures 1.5 million square feet (139,350 sq m) and covers 10 acres.
- There are 50,000 miles (80,450 km) of wire in the building, enough to wrap around the equator twice.
- It took a little less than 1,000 days to build. Ground was broken on 24 July 1997, and the Conference Center was dedicated on 8 October 2000.
 - The stage of the Conference Center can be changed according to the event. For conference, the stage is set into tiers with chairs arranged for all the General Authorities and for the general presidencies of the Primary, Young Women, and Relief Society. Of course, the Mormon Tabernacle Choir takes its place under the new pipe organ, like the one in the Tabernacle on Temple Square just across the street.
 - To make the stage and podium look beautiful, flowers and greenery are grown and arranged by those who take care of the Temple Square gardens. The flowers surround the podium, and greenery is placed on the tiers behind the speakers. In addition, the Conference Center has a large foyer area where tables hold more bouquets of flowers.
 - The foyer of the Conference Center displays paintings, sculptures, and other works of art. The beauty of the materials and the arrangement of the furnishings creates a feeling of reverence that those who attend conference can enjoy.
 - Many visitors enjoy attending conference in the Conference Center. Although it is one of the largest meeting places in the world, still only a small fraction of those who wish to attend in person are able to. Tickets are issued by stake presidents at no cost so people will not have to wait hours in long lines. Those without tickets can wait for seats not taken by ticket holders. The atmosphere is happy and polite, with members dressed in their Sunday best, most often with their families. It is not unusual for members to meet old friends. Volunteers greet those coming to conference and help them find their seats.
 - The television cameras need to be in the prime locations in front and to the sides of speakers. But normal, bulky television cameras with cameramen would block the view of many. The television cameras used in the Conference Center are much less noticeable. They are small and operated by remote control. Banks of hundreds of lights are also all handled by remote from a control room at the back of the Conference Center.
 - Inside the Conference Center is a big television center with control rooms and recording rooms. From this station, the broadcast signal is sent to satellites that, in turn, send the signal around the world.
 - To assist the speakers in reading parts of their talks while still being able to look out at the audience, teleprompters (below, left) are provided. From the point of view of those watching the broadcast or those in the audience, the teleprompters appear to be clear sheets of glass held by stands. But speakers can easily see the words of their talks reflected onto the glass.
 - Making sure that people hear conference in their own languages takes elaborate preparation. Conference is translated into 58 languages by translators in soundproof booths, watching and listening to the speaker, and translating as the talk is being given. They have the help of language experts who can quickly explain unusual phrases or words. Their translation is recorded as well as broadcast, along with the video of the speaker.

(*"Conference Live!" New Era, Mar 2004, 27*)

Bible anagrams

Each of the ten words listed can become the name of a person in the Bible if the letters are rearranged. The letter w after a word stands for woman, the letter m, a man.

- | | |
|---------------|---------------|
| 1. Army (w) | 6. Wander (m) |
| 2. Hurt (w) | 7. Vee (w) |
| 3. Bale (m) | 8. Heal (w) |
| 4. Nailed (m) | 9. Evil (m) |
| 5. Masons (m) | 10. Lie (m) |

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.

ANSWERS: (1) Mary, (2) Ruth, (3) Abel, (4) Daniel, (5) Samson, (6) Andrew, (7) Eve, (8) Leah, (9) Levi, (10) Eli

Conference Word Search

B K B J G I D L D M H U S G U M K K Q D E V G W Q W I O D F
N O S L E N C W P T R T R P J U P H U Q Q U W X I G B C V Y
S D A Q A S I X W G A B H E R S C Y M B F V V S A G C O Y E
K P M L N P U R S V G A C L K I W O R L D W I D E V R A U V
T R L Y D I X S Y Y L I M A F C N O E V S P I W F H C E N D
C O N F E R E N C E S S O U L S A G W R T Z L J B A T O K O
H P M K R A W I S H C G F N O D O P E R R Y T A F M N C V I
C H R I S T O F F E R S O N C Y H D J S D U U X M L D D E H
W E J O E I R I P A I I B A L L A R D F M A J R Y E O H Q U
R T D A N O F F N A P O S T L E S A Z P L L L G M I Y N W W
N J B E D N A R U H T T C T L S M Z D L Y O Y S N C U C U Y
K Z F T I R I P S U U C O O K V O P E W J M T T D F T L F S
F M H I Y O B K D X R D V C M F A Z Q C S E P T E W O D N N
Q C D D H Y X U B P E E Q S N D A V V T Q S H M U W M I Z G
U Q X C J Y C G Q P S F G W J O F Y J I U W X X V U G T X W

FIND THE FOLLOWING WORDS: Monson, Eyring, Uchtdorf, Packer, Perry, Nelson, Oaks, Ballard, Scott, Hales, Holland, Bednar, Cook, Christofferson, Andersen, Conference, Spring, Annual, Apostles, Prophet, Jesus Christ, messages, inspiration, leaders, love, family, goals, scriptures, broadcast, worldwide, Spirit, music, choir

** 32 of 33 words were placed into the puzzle. Which word was NOT included in the puzzle:*

A CTR Search

This puzzle is taken from the February 2010 Friend

Circle the letters every time you find "CTR" in this puzzle. Look up, down, across, backward, and diagonally. Some letters will be used more than once. How many times can you find CTR?

C T R C R C
 T T T C T T
 C R C R C
 T T T T T
 R C R C T R
 T R T C T R



Conference ABC's – Can you think of a word that relates to conference for every letter of the alphabet?

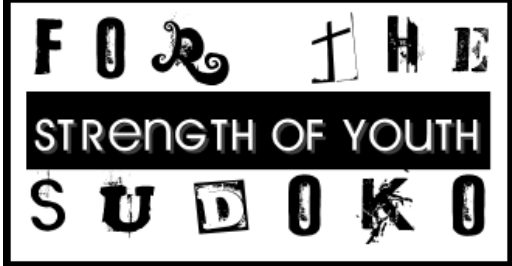
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 U: _____
 V: _____
 W: _____
 X: _____
 Y: _____
 Z: _____

For an added challenge, play others and try not to duplicate your answers.

I got _____ out of 26

	Friends					Purity	Agency	
Dating	Agency						Media	Friends
Media				Faith	Friends	Dating		Honesty
		Agency		Purity		Friends	Faith	
		Dating	Health		Faith	Agency		
	Family	Friends		Dating		Media		
Health		Purity	Dating	Agency				Media
Agency	Faith						Dating	Purity
	Dating	Family					Health	



The objective is to fill the 9x9 grid so that each column, each row, and each of the nine 3x3 boxes (also called blocks or regions) contains the digits from 1 to 9 only one time. For this puzzle, instead of numbers, use these nine words to complete the puzzle: **Agency, Family, Friends, Media, Dating, Purity, Honesty, Health, Faith.** Click on an empty square to select a word for that square.

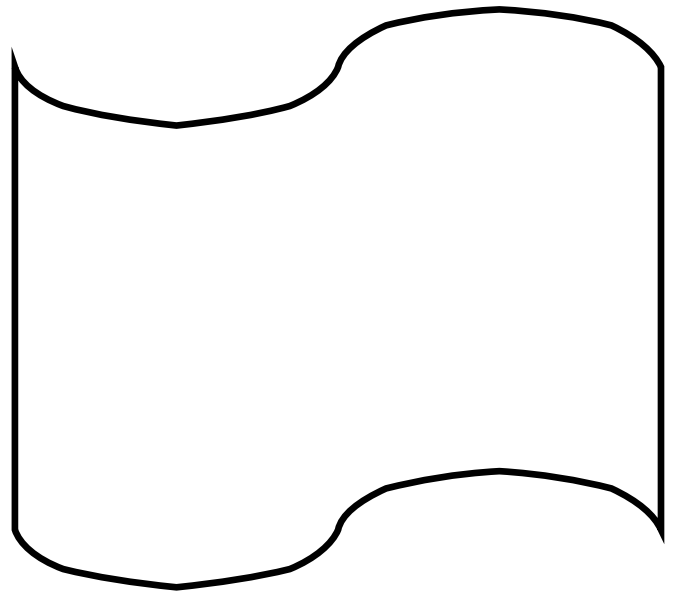
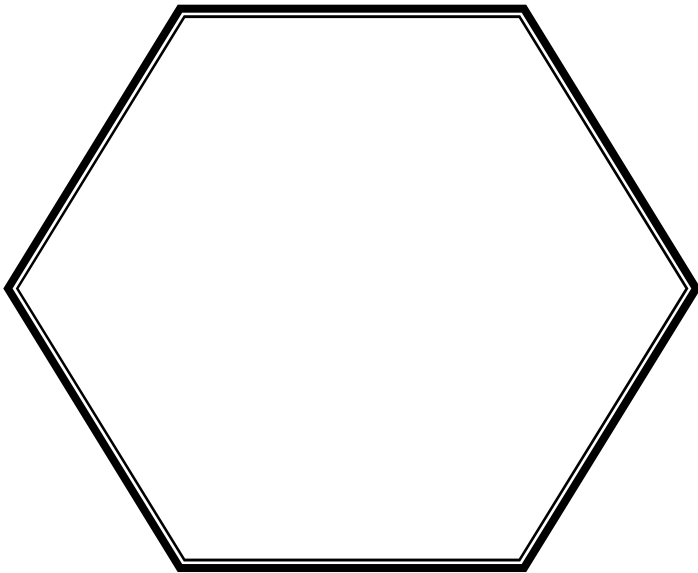
FOR ANSWERS: Go to <http://tinyurl.com/ygtgs5k>

Messages for Me!



As you listen to conference, jot down four short messages or scriptures that made the biggest impression on you. Cut them out and post them on your mirror, bed, or dresser so you can remind yourself of these important truths.

A large, empty rectangular area with a dashed border, intended for writing down messages.



A large, empty shape with a dashed border, intended for writing a message.

"Following the benediction we shall depart this great hall, turn off the lights, and lock the doors. You who are listening across the world will switch off your television set or the radio or shut down the Internet. As we do so, I would hope that we will remember that when all is over, "Still stands thine ancient sacrifice, An humble and a contrite heart" (*Hymns*, no. 80). I hope that we shall ponder with subdued feelings the talks to which we have listened. I hope that we will quietly reflect on the wonderful things we have heard. I hope that we will feel a little more contrite and humble. All of us have been edified. The test will come in the application of the teachings given. If, hereafter, we are a little more kind, if we are a little more neighborly, if we have drawn nearer to the Savior, with a more firm resolution to follow His teachings and His example, then this conference will have been a wonderful success. If, on the other hand, there is no improvement in our lives, then those who have spoken will have in large measure failed. Those changes may not be measurable in a day or a week or a month. Resolutions are quickly made and quickly forgotten. But, in a year from now, if we are doing better than we have done in the past, then the efforts of these days will not have been in vain. We will not remember all that has been said, but there will arise from all of this a spiritual uplift. It may be indefinable, but it will be real. As the Lord said to Nicodemus, "The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit" (John 3:8). So it will be with the experience we have enjoyed. And perhaps, out of all we have heard, there may be a phrase or a paragraph that will stand out and possess our attention. If this occurs, I hope we will write it down and reflect on it until we savor the depth of its meaning and have made it a part of our own lives." – *President Gordon B. Hinckley, "An Humble and a Contrite Heart", October 2000 General Conference.*

What I Learned during General Conference

The talk(s) that meant the most to me during the Saturday sessions of conference was/were by _____, I enjoyed the talk(s) because _____.

The talk(s) that meant the most to me during the Sunday sessions of conference was/were by _____, I enjoyed the talk(s) because _____.

The prophet counseled Church members to: _____.

This specific counsel was given to the youth of the Church: _____.

The answers I received from listening and pondering during general conference are: _____.

The main themes of general conference were: _____.

After listening to general conference, I want to become better in the following ways, or I was prompted to do the following: _____.

If we have drawn nearer to the Savior, with a more firm resolution to follow His example, then this conference will have been a wonderful success.

Gordon B. Hinckley, An Humble and a Contrite Heart, Las Vegas, Jan 2001, 102-103