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# Pioneer Ward Newsletter



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## Bishop's Message

Hello wonderful Pioneer Ward members!

As we close out another year and begin a new one, I am very grateful for each one of you, your friendships, your examples, your spirits and your help in this ward by fulfilling your callings. I am grateful for the sacrifices you make to help those around you and make this such an awesome ward and neighborhood. I truly believe we have a special community here. I am excited for the many amazing opportunities we each have ahead of us this upcoming year.

I enjoyed studying the Old Testament last year and I am very pumped to be able to study the New Testament as part of our Come Follow Me studies this year. The gospel of Jesus Christ is the one thing that will bring each of us peace in our lives, no matter what circumstance we find ourselves in, and studying the writings of prophets and apostles of the New Testament is a great way to bring that gospel knowledge into our lives. I encourage each one of you to develop a personal study plan and, if applicable, a family study plan to spend time in the scriptures this year. I encourage you to spend time on your knees expressing your gratitude and your desires to your Heavenly Father. I encourage you to spend time in the temple, learning and pondering. Finally, I encourage you to look for ways in which you can serve those around you. Watch over and love each other just as Jesus would do.

I promise that as you put forth the effort to make Jesus Christ the focus of your life, your testimony of Him and His restored gospel will strengthen, you will find peace in your life and you will find a renewed desire to share this great joy/gospel with those who do not have the happiness of the restored gospel in their lives. Brother and sisters, I love you. Our Heavenly Father loves you. May he bless you this upcoming year is my prayer.

Bishop Coombs

# Member Spotlights



We are the Rieske family. Our names are Nathan and Amelia. We have 5 Children, 3 boys and 2 girls. Dason (9), Annabelle (9), Warner (7), Easton (4), and Rosalie (2). We have lived in South Weber for 5 years now. We love living here. Our family enjoys doing many things. We mostly do soccer, basketball, tumbling, dance, and play games. Nathan works at Hill Air Force Base as a mechanical engineer. I am a stay at home mom.

We're the Taylors and have been in the neighborhood since 2018. Our names are Ben and Jessica and our kids are Lauren (7), Mary (3), and Will (1). We also have a friendly yellow lab named Malia, so look for us out on walks. Our little Lauren has special needs and is non-verbal, but that won't stop her from coming up to you and introducing herself in her own special way. We think your family will love getting to know her. Ben works in video marketing, Jessica likes to bake, Mary loves to color, and Will likes to explore. We love living in South Weber!



## Upcoming Dates

**Mission Prep Class**

**Ward Choir Practice**

**Temple Recommend Interviews**

**Baptism for Kate Smith**

**Fundraiser for YW: Valentine's Dance & Silent Auction**

**Combined YW/YM Activity**

**Priests Quorum Machine Shop Visit**

Sundays @ 3:30, Stake Center  
Sundays @ 10:30am in the RS room  
Sundays after church  
February 4th @ 9am @ our chapel

February 7th, 7-9pm @ SW Drive building  
February 21, 7-10pm @ Crush Fun Plex  
February 28