

# The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

## Washington County Single Adults 46+



The church currently has 2 groups of single members. “Young single adults” refers to those ages 18-30. “Single adults” refers to those ages 31 and older. (General Handbook 14.0). The WCSA Program is primarily for any single adults over the age of 46. We encourage any single adults to attend our activities.

The WCSA serve Single Adults 46 and older in St George and surrounding Stakes from Kanab and Mesquite. There are a total of 36 stakes. We sponsor Firesides, Dances, and Other Activities.

The WCSA Regional activities are available as a supplement to what you are currently doing. Stake assignments are a request, and your stake is not obligated to participate. We would not be able to organize these activities without your participation. As a WCSA Committee we greatly appreciate all your service in making the Regional Singles Program a success.

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**Mid-Singles • [stgeorgesaward.com](http://stgeorgesaward.com)**

### **Mission Statement**

To provide opportunities for single members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints to broaden their circle of friends and find acceptance, to maintain and increase hope and faith in the Savior, to be actively involved in the church, to render service, to make and honor sacred covenants.

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### Temple Work

## **Stake Single Adult Representatives**

- **Who are Stake Single Adult Reps** – The Stake Presidency can assign any of the following individuals to be Stake Single Adult Reps: Stake Presidency, High Councilman, Stake Relief Society, Singles, Married or anyone that the Stake would like The WCSA Committee to be in contact with.
- **Contact Information** – Be sure that we have your updated contact information from all your Stake Reps by emailing [ldssinglesstg@gmail.com](mailto:ldssinglesstg@gmail.com)
- **Stake Assignments** – Mainly Firesides, Dances, Single Conferences, and other duties as assigned. Details can be found in the “Instructions for Assignments” section. The schedule is distributed once it has been approved. A member of the WCSA committee will be contacting you weeks before your assigned activity.
- **WCSA Regional Leadership Meetings** – These meetings give us the opportunity to: Discuss changes in the Single Adult Program, Coordinate assignments, Counsel together, and answer any questions you may have. We typically have 4 Leadership meetings a year. We encourage your Stake Single Adult Reps to join. If you are not able to attend, we ask that you send a representative in your place. Anyone is welcome to join our WCSA Monthly Regional Committee Meeting. Just let us know and we will give you the details of our upcoming meeting.
- **Stakes Hosting Regional Activities** – If your stake wants to host an activity for the entire region, please email [ldssinglesstg@gmail.com](mailto:ldssinglesstg@gmail.com) by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month (Description, Date, Time, Location and Details). We can also distribute a flyer if you have one. This gives us time to get the event posted to the calendar, create the flyer, and distribute it to the stakes by the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month.

## **Ward Single Adult Representatives**

- **Who are the Ward Single Adult Reps** – The Bishop can assign any of individuals (married or single) to be Ward Single Adult Reps.
- **Assignments** – Minister to the singles in their ward, distribute information from the stake to their ward singles and assist Stake Reps with any assignments.

**Please remember that singles are best served on a ward or stake level. Single adult representation at the ward level is the most effective and rewarding way to activate and involve single adult members.**

## Suggestions for Ministering to Single Adults in your Ward and Stake

“The Savior invites all to come unto Him and belong to His Church. Men and women who have not yet married or who are divorced or widowed make up a significant portion of Church membership. It is important for all to find hope through the Atonement of Jesus Christ.” (General Handbook 14) The Lord has asked us to love one another and minister to those in need. “Ministering means serving others as the Savior did. He loved, taught, prayed for, comforted, and blessed those around Him. As disciples of Jesus Christ, we seek to minister to God’s children.” (General Handbook 21.0) Please seek out ways to **ENGAGE** with the singles you have stewardship over. Here are a few suggestions that might be helpful.

- Refer to the “General Handbook Section 14. Single Members” for guidance. “This handbook will help you to learn principles of Christlike service and understand your responsibilities. You will be most effective when you align your service in the Church with the work of God the Father and His Son, Jesus Christ.” (General Handbook 1.0)
- Setup a networking group in your stake. Calling Ward Reps or Shepharding Couples to minister to the singles in your stake.
- Including singles at church socials and other events.
- Expand lesson topics that are specific to marriage.
- Be inclusive when making ward temple plans.
- Unify the singles by organizing and hosting Ward or Stake Single Activities.
- Have the single activities announced in Relief Society and Priesthood meetings with prior approval by the bishop.
- Organize a carpool for activities.
- You might volunteer to take and pick up elderly singles.
- Make sure they have been assigned ward members to minister to them.
- Find ways for them to be involved in the stakes and wards.
- Share with them information about the Single Adult Program.
- Have the WCSA website posted in the ward bulletin. [www.wahsa.com](http://www.wahsa.com)
- Discuss the needs of the singles in your correlation meetings.
- Display the Single Adult Poster on your Ward and Stake bulletin boards.
- Invite the singles to help with the regional assignments.
- Set-up a Stake Single Adult email group and email all the singles in your stake the activity information.
- Try and not make the singles feel different just because they are single, simply treat them as a Child of God.
- If you know singles in your stake that would benefit from being part of the WCSA Committee let us know. We are always looking for singles to help with activities. An excellent way to get involved, serve others, and create lasting friendships.

## **Instructions for Assignments - Hosting Firesides**

Firesides are held mostly on Sundays from 700pm-830pm. They consist of speakers, music, prayers, and refreshments.

**Building** – Reserve a building including chapel, kitchen, and cultural hall. The choir usually practices before the firesides so please have the chapel accessible at 530pm.

**Speakers** – Speakers must be pre-approved by your Stake Presidency. You may want to secure speakers well in advance, including any technical assistance they need. Please ask speakers to take no longer than 35 minutes to allow ample mingle time. Many singles expressed a desire to hear the perspective of other singles.

**Leadership** – Please invite your Stake Presidency, High Councilman, Stake Single Adult Reps, and spouses to attend the fireside.

**Conducting** – Single Adult Reps, High Councilman or Stake Presidency may conduct the meeting. Whomever you prefer. Please announce the upcoming activities that can be found on the Monthly Flyer. Also remind the audience to silence their phones.

**Greeters** – Please have greeters at each door welcoming the singles to the fireside. If possible, please print out the flyer and other information to hand out to the singles.

**Setup** – Please provide people to help with setting up the speaker and the refreshments. Later that evening you will need to help cleaning up.

**Prayers** – Please provide an opening and closing prayer. Asking singles from the audience is just fine; you might want to ask them before the meeting starts.

**Refreshments** – Please provide refreshments and paper goods for 125-150 people. Set up for singles to mingle is strongly encouraged.

**Music** – Please provide an opening and closing song, including pianist and chorister. You may also provide your own special musical number. If you want the Single Adult Choir to sing, reach out to the choir conductor 2 weeks in advance. (Valorie Myers • 770-845-3527 • Yourarmygal@yahoo.com)

**Follow-up** – A member of the WCSA Committee will be contacting you approximately 8 weeks before the activity to get the details of the Fireside posted on the calendar, included in the Flyer and other promotional tools. (Location, Speaker, Topic)

**Ministering** – Firesides are a great opportunity for you to minister to the singles in your stake as well as the region. Ask the singles to participate in hosting the fireside. (Greeters, Setting Up, Prayers, Music, Refreshments, Cleaning up ...)

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If you have any comments, questions, or concerns, please contact WCSA Co-Chair Steve Purdy 208-317-405. Thanks so much for your service. Our firesides are one of the most successful activities we participate in.

## Suggested Topics for Firesides

We reached out to singles in the area and received some valuable feedback about the firesides. "The Firesides are Awesome, Inspired and Powerful." The firesides are probably the most important activity we have and appreciate your hosting them for us. If you ever want to know what some of the previous topics were just check the WCSA calendar on our website. ([www.washsa.com](http://www.washsa.com))

Are you the one?	Keep sacred covenants
Atonement of Jesus Christ	Law of Chastity
Attachment styles	Life of the Apostles
Become what you want in an eternal companion	Live up to your potential
Becoming more Christlike (attributes of Christ)	Living with hope and not fear
Church History	Loneliness
Conversion Stories, Missionary Experiences	Making good choices
Courage	Making lasting friendships
Dealing with difficult people	Mental, Physical, Spiritual Health
Develop strong, committed lasting relationships	Miracles
Discussion of any great gospel topic	Music and the Spoken Word
Effective scripture study methods	Parables that Christ taught
Encouragement	Patriotic Topic
Enduring	Peace
Facing trials without a companion	Personal experiences of church leaders
Faith in Jesus Christ	Personal stories of singles overcoming adversity
Feeling like you don't fit in	Pioneer Heritage
Focus on what you CAN do	Relying on the Savior for help
Following the Spirit in our everyday lives	Resilience
Growing old gracefully	Resisting Temptation
Healing through the Savior	Self-Worth
Healthy Coping Skills	Shame
Hear Him	Singles navigating through life
Historic Events	Stay active being single in the church
History of Southern Utah	Stay morally clean
Hope	Stay on the Covenant Path
How be successfully date	Staying positive in a changing world
How to attract the opposite sex	The Second Coming of the Savior
How to belong in the church as a single member	Trust in the Lord
How to build healthy relationships	Vulnerability
Humility, Accepting your life story	Word of Wisdom
Joy	Your body is sacred temple

## **Instructions for Assignments - Hosting Dances**

Dances are usually scheduled on Friday Evenings from 800pm-1100pm with Dance Instruction starting at 700pm.

1<sup>st</sup> Friday Dance ► Music from the 60's, 70's and more

3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Dance ► 80's and up to Today's Hits

Dances on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month: details on [www.washsa.com](http://www.washsa.com)

Place: Morningside Stake Center 881 South River Road, St. George, Utah

Time: 8:00 -11:00 p.m.

### **Assigned Stake Instructions –**

1. Please provide Refreshments for 125-150 people and a 10 lb. bag of ice. This is a snack not a dinner so keeps it simple with a variety of the following suggestions: fruit, vegetables, potato chips, dip, crackers, cheese, cookies, and special holiday treats.
2. Please be there before 8:00 with at least one person willing to stay and clean up the kitchen, which can be done as early as 9:45 p.m.
3. You do not need to provide paper products for this event.

**Ministering** – What a great opportunity to engage with your singles in a casual environment at the dances. Invite your Stake Presidency, High Councilman, Single Adult Reps, and spouses to better understand how the single program works. You are welcome to join us on the dance floor.

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## **Upcoming Events for 2024**

- Singles Conference April 17-21
- Talent Show May 11
- Pine Valley Dance August 30
- New Years Eve Dance December 31

## **Dance Assignments for 2024**

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Assigned</b>
04/05	Dance	Morningside
04/19	Dance	Red Cliffs
05/03	Dance	Southgate
05/17	Dance	St George East
06/07	Dance	Ivins
06/21	Dance	Washington Fields
07/05	Dance	Washington
07/19	Dance	St George
08/02	Dance	Green Valley
08/16	Dance	Crimson Ridge
09/06	Dance	Bloomington Hills
09/20	Dance	Sunset
10/04	Dance	Bloomington
10/18	Dance	Boulder Ridge
11/01	Dance	Crimson Ridge West
11/15	Dance	Hidden Valley
12/06	Dance	Santa Clara
12/20	Dance	Washington
12/31	Dance	WCSA



## **Fireside Assignments for 2024**

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Assigned</b>	<b>Notes</b>
04/07	Fireside	*No Activity* Conference	General Conference
04/14	Fireside	Washington	
04/28	Fireside	Hidden Valley	
05/05	Fireside	Hurricane North	
05/12	Fireside	*No Activity* Mother's Day	Mother's Day (5/12)
05/19	Fireside	Green Valley	
05/26	Fireside	*No Activity* Memorial	Memorial Day (5/27)
06/02	Fireside	Hurricane	
06/09	Fireside	Bloomington	
06/16	Fireside	*No Activity* Father's Day	Father's Day (6/16)
06/23	Fireside	Crimson Ridge West	
06/30	Fireside	Pineview	
07/07	Fireside	LaVerkin	
07/14	Fireside	Ivins	
07/21	Fireside	Boulder Ridge	
07/28	Fireside	Washington Fields North	
08/04	Fireside	Hurricane North	
08/11	Fireside	Morningside	
08/18	Fireside	Santa Clara	
08/25	Fireside	Washington East	
09/01	Fireside	Hurricane	Labor Day (9/2)
09/08	Fireside	Buena Vista	
09/15	Fireside	Crimson Ridge	
09/22	Fireside	Santa Clara Heights	
09/29	Fireside	Little Valley	
10/06	Fireside	*No Activity* Conference	General Conference
10/13	Fireside	Washington East	
10/20	Fireside	Southgate	
10/27	Fireside	St George East	
11/03	Fireside	LaVerkin	
11/10	Fireside	Boulder Ridge East	
11/17	Fireside	Washington Fields	
11/24	Fireside	Bloomington Hills	
12/01	Fireside	Hurricane Multi-Stake	President's Devotion
12/08	Fireside	Green Valley	
12/15	Fireside	Red Cliffs	
12/22	Fireside	WCSA	
12/29	Fireside	Snow Canyon	