

THE SACRAMENTO STAKE SELF-RELIANCE NEWSLETTER FOR FEBRUARY 10, 2013

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RESCUING OURSELVES TO ALLOW US TO RESCUE OTHERS

In Stake Conference last week we learned that self-reliance principles, such as eliminating debt, saving a little each week/month, gaining additional education, and storing food and other supplies as needed for ourselves would allow us to rescue our own families and others who need help around us.

Let's make 2013 the year that we RESCUE our families from those events that will shadow these latter days. The Lord desires us to be happy and as prepared as possible. Let's do as we are instructed.

GARDENS:

If you haven't started gardening yet, make this the year you do. Choose seedlings and seeds that will grow



vegetables your family will enjoy, from broccoli to green beans to tomatoes. Buy a book that teaches you how to grow successfully, or go online to find all kinds of blogs and pages describing how to grow a garden. Check out the YouTube videos tool

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Let's heed the warnings and advice we have been given by our leaders since the beginning of time. How can we bless our family and neighbors if we don't have anything to share?

The following quotes are from President Spencer W. Kimball, 12th

President of the church (all bold and underlines are mine)

"...we call upon Latter-day Saints everywhere to (renew effort) in these specific areas: food production, reservation, storage; the production and storage of nonfood items...

"We
encourage
you to grow
all the
food that
you



feasibly can on your own property.

Berry bushes, grapevines, fruit

trees—plant them if your climate is

right for their growth.

"Grow vegetables and eat them from



your own yard. ...
If there are
children in your
home, involve
them in the
process with
assigned

responsibilities...Develop your skills in your home preservation and storage.

"We reaffirm the previous counsel the Church has <u>always</u> given, to <u>acquire</u> and <u>maintain</u> a <u>year's supply—a</u> year's supply of the basic commodities for us.

"We encourage families to have on hand this year's supply; and we say it over and over and over and repeat over and over the scripture of the Lord where He says, "Why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?"

WANT TO LEARN HOW TO PRESERVE FOOD?

These classes are available every year and are FREE:

| Sat, May 11 10 a.mnoon | Safe dehydration techniques |
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| Sat, June 8 10 a.mnoon | Safe water bath canning techniques |
| Sat, July 20 10 a.mnoon | The Pressure's On Safe pressure canning techniques |

Find them here:

Cooperative Extension-Sacramento County 4145 Branch Center Road, Sacramento, CA 95827-3823 (916) 875-6913 Office (916) 875-6233 Fax

Wanna keep your iPhone going if the power goes out?

The Bio-Lite Camp Stove: http://shop.biolitestove.com/BioLite-CampStove_p_15.html

This little stove is fueled by kindling wood and changes the heat of the fire to energy to fuel your electronic devices!

Or how about this, for water purifying, sold through church distributions:

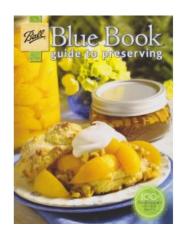


Or a starter kit for the food stuffs:



Ask yourself, why would the Church sell such products as those available online and in the canneries if they weren't serious about us getting our food storage??

President J. Reuben Clark Jr. said,
"The counsel to have a year's supply of
food, clothing, and other necessary
items is wise counsel for several
reasons....Political unrest ...could
interfere with the transport of foods.
Other types of disasters, such as
famine resulting from drought,
hurricanes, floods, and even wars, have
occurred in many countries and could
occur again. When such disasters
affect the entire community, food and
other supplies often cannot be
obtained, even if money is available."



Once you decide
to can, take a
class and then
ALWAYS
Work with
approved
recipes. NEVER
go by internet
pages and/or
videos of
unknown quality.

START PLANNING WHERE YOU
WILL STORAGE YOUR FOOD
STORAGE