

THE PURPOSE AND VALUE OF WARD AND STAKE HISTORIES



WARD AND STAKE HISTORIES HELP CONNECT MEMBERS WITH EACH OTHER AND WITH FUTURE GENERATIONS.

President Henry B. Eyring taught,

“IT IS THE HOLY GHOST WHO HELPS US SEE WHAT GOD HAS DONE FOR US.”

When we recognize and remember these things, we qualify to “receive the gifts of the Holy Ghost to give us power in our service.” President Eyring also promised, “You and [those who read your history] will be blessed as you remember what the Lord has done” (“O Remember, Remember,” *Ensign* or *Liahona*, Nov. 2007, 67–69).

Reflecting on, recognizing, and capturing important events can help strengthen our own faith as well as the faith of those who read our history.



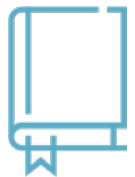
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“WHAT GREAT THINGS THE LORD HATH DONE”

(title page of the Book of Mormon).



HISTORY CAN AID IN CONVERSION AND STRENGTHEN OUR FAITH.

Alma said that while record keeping may seem like a small and simple thing, it enlarges the memory of the people and brings them to the knowledge of their God unto the salvation of their souls (see Alma 37:6, 8).

