Aaronic Priesthood Quorum and Young Women Class Presidency Orientation

**CALLED OF GOD**

- What does it mean to me to be called of God?

**MINISTER TO THOSE YOU SERVE**

- How will I get to know and love all the members of my quorum or class?
  **LEARN MORE**: As a starting point, a list of quorum or class members is available from the ward clerk.
- How will I follow the Savior’s example of ministering?

**ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES**

- What meetings do I attend and plan?
  **LEARN MORE ABOUT**: quorum or class presidency meetings and ward youth councils in addition to regular Church meetings and activities. See *Handbook 2: Administering the Church* (ChurchofJesusChrist.org), 8.9.2, 8.9.3, 10.4.2, 10.4.5, and 18.2.9.
- What administrative tasks do I have? What tools can help me?
  **LEARN MORE ABOUT**: meeting agendas, conducting meetings, delegating assignments, following through on assignments, and greeting quorum or class members. See *Handbook 2*, chapter 3.

**PLAN MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES**

- How will we have uplifting and spiritual Sunday meetings?
  **LEARN MORE AT**: ComeFollowMe.ChurchofJesusChrist.org.
- How will we have engaging and impactful service and activities?
  **LEARN MORE AT**: ChildrenandYouth.ChurchofJesusChrist.org.
Information for Bishoprics and Young Men and Young Women Leaders

Bishoprics have a responsibility to orient newly called Aaronic Priesthood quorum and Young Women class presidencies. Orienting a presidency is an important step in helping youth leaders succeed in their callings.

The following resources are suggestions to assist bishopric members as they orient a new presidency. These resources and the questions on the reverse side could be used to lead a brief discussion to orient new presidencies in ward youth councils or in other settings. As directed by the bishopric, Young Men and Young Women leaders could also review these resources in a quorum or class presidency meeting.

ORIENTATION RESOURCES

Called of God 8–10 MINUTES

“To be effective Church leaders, we must learn this critical lesson: leadership in the Church is not so much about directing others as it is about our willingness to be directed by God” (Dieter F. Uchtdorf, “The Greatest among You,” Ensign or Liahona, May 2017, 80).

• Quorum and class presidencies are called by revelation (see John 15:16).
• Aaronic Priesthood quorum presidencies function with keys conferred when quorum presidents are set apart.
• Young Women class presidencies function under priesthood authority after they are set apart by a member of the bishopric. (See Doctrine and Covenants 42:11; 107:5; Articles of Faith 1:5; Handbook 2: Administering the Church [ChurchofJesusChrist.org], 2.1.1.)
• Presidencies are accountable to the Lord and His leaders (see Doctrine and Covenants 104:11–13; Handbook 2, 3.3.4).
• Presidencies serve as an example for quorum or class members (see 1 Timothy 4:12; Alma 17:2–3).

Minister to Those You Serve 5–8 MINUTES

“You are called to represent the Savior. … Your hands to lift [become] the same as His hands” (Henry B. Eyring, “Rise to Your Call,” Ensign or Liahona, Nov. 2002, 76).

• Number, name, and nourish those you serve (see Moroni 6:4).
• Help others follow the Savior (see Handbook 2, 3.2.3).

Administrative Responsibilities 5–8 MINUTES

“This is the miracle of Church councils: listening to each other and listening to the Spirit!” (M. Russell Ballard, “Counseling with Our Councils,” Ensign, May 1994, 26).

• Participate in councils (see Handbook 2, 18.2.9).
• Develop leadership skills to accomplish the work (see Handbook 2, 3.3).

Plan Meetings and Activities 5–8 MINUTES

“Every activity, every lesson, all we do in the Church, point to the Lord and His holy house” (Russell M. Nelson, “Personal Preparation for Temple Blessings,” Ensign, May 2001, 32).

• Learn your responsibilities (see Handbook 2, “Aaronic Priesthood,” chapter 8; “Young Women,” chapter 10).
• Plan and lead as directed by the Spirit (see Doctrine and Covenants 43:8–9; 88:119; Moroni 6:9).

ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTION

Opportunities to develop leadership skills continue in ward youth council meetings and regular presidency meetings. The following resources can assist in this effort.

• Quorum presidency leadership lessons, AaronicPriesthoodQuorums.ChurchofJesusChrist.org.
• Class presidency leadership lessons, YoungWomen.ChurchofJesusChrist.org.