

# INSTRUCTIONS *for* CURRICULUM 2011

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**JESUS CHRIST**  
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

This guide provides a list of curriculum materials for use in Sunday classes during 2011, instructions for organizing Sunday quorums and classes, and a list of Church materials for use in the home.

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## Distribution

**STAKE:** Stake presidents should distribute copies to stake leaders as needed.

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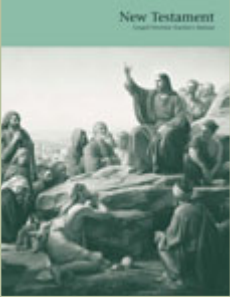
Stake and ward councils should review this publication each year.



# GENERAL CURRICULUM 2011

Used where the Church is well established

Organization	Manuals and Resource Materials
<p><b>Melchizedek Priesthood and Relief Society</b></p> 	<p><b>1ST SUNDAYS</b> The scriptures; Church magazines; <i>Priesthood and Auxiliary Leaders' Guidebook</i> (31178); <i>Worldwide Leadership Training Meeting</i> booklets; <i>Family Guidebook</i> (31180); and other Church-approved resources</p> <p><b>2ND AND 3RD SUNDAYS</b> <i>Gospel Principles</i>, new edition (06195); continued from 2010. This manual temporarily replaces the <i>Teachings of Presidents of the Church</i> books. Lessons should be taught in the order they are presented in the manual.</p> <p><b>4TH SUNDAYS</b> Teachings for Our Time: talks from general conference; see page 6</p> <p><b>5TH SUNDAYS</b> Topics and Church-approved resources determined by the bishopric</p>
<p><b>Aaronic Priesthood and Young Women</b></p>	<p><i>Aaronic Priesthood Manual 3</i> (34822) and <i>Aaronic Priesthood Resource Guide 2011</i> (08659)</p> <p><i>Young Women Manual 3</i> (34825) and <i>Young Women Resource Guide 2011</i> (08660)</p> <p>Other resources include the scriptures; Church magazines; <i>Fulfilling My Duty to God: For Aaronic Priesthood Holders</i> (06746); <i>Young Women Personal Progress</i> (36035); <i>For the Strength of Youth</i> (36550); and <i>True to the Faith</i> (36863).</p>
<p><b>Primary</b></p>  <div data-bbox="345 1535 475 1591" style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 2px; font-weight: bold;">New</div>	<p><b>AGES 18 MONTHS–2 YEARS (NURSERY CLASS)</b> <i>Behold Your Little Ones: Nursery Manual</i> (37108)</p> <p><b>AGES 3–11 (SHARING TIME)</b> <i>2011 Outline for Sharing Time: I Know the Scriptures Are True</i> (08635)</p> <p><b>AGE 3 (SUNBEAM CLASS)</b> <i>Primary 1: I Am a Child of God</i> (34969)</p> <p><b>AGES 4–7 (CTR 4, 5, 6, AND 7 CLASSES)</b> <i>Primary 3: Choose the Right B</i> (34499)</p> <p><b>AGES 8–11 (VALIANT 8, 9, 10, AND 11 CLASSES)</b> <i>Primary 7: New Testament</i> (34604)</p> <p>Other resources for all classes include the Church magazines; illustrated scripture readers; <i>Gospel Art Book</i> (06048 090); <i>Children's Songbook</i> (35395); and Visual Aids Cutouts (individual sets 1–10).</p>

Organization	Manuals and Resource Materials
<p><b>Sunday School</b></p> 	<p><b>AGES 12–13</b> <i>The Presidents of the Church Teacher's Manual</i> (31382)</p> <p><b>AGES 14–18</b> <i>New Testament Gospel Doctrine Teacher's Manual</i> (35681) <i>New Testament Class Member Study Guide</i> (35682)</p> <p><b>ADULTS</b> <i>New Testament Gospel Doctrine Teacher's Manual</i> (35681) <i>New Testament Class Member Study Guide</i> (35682)</p> <p><b>ADULTS</b> <i>Gospel Principles</i>, new edition (06195). This course is for investigators, new members, members returning to activity, and others who need basic gospel instruction. The instructor chooses the order of the lessons according to the needs of class members.</p>


Optional Courses	Manuals and Resource Materials
<p><b>Teaching the Gospel</b></p>	<p><i>Teaching, No Greater Call</i> (36123), pages 185–239 (12 weeks)</p>
<p><b>Marriage and Family Relations</b></p>	<p><i>Marriage and Family Relations Instructor's Manual</i> (35865) <i>Marriage and Family Relations Participant's Study Guide</i> (36357) (16 weeks)</p>
<p><b>Temple and Family History</b></p>	<p><i>Instructor's Guide to Temple and Family History Work</i> (35804) <i>Member's Guide to Temple and Family History Work</i> (36795)</p>
<p><b>Temple Preparation</b></p>	<p><i>Endowed from on High: Temple Preparation Seminar Teacher's Manual</i> (36854) <i>Preparing to Enter the Holy Temple</i> (36793) (7 weeks)</p>

*Not all materials on this chart have been translated into all languages that use the general curriculum. Please use these materials as they become available. Contact the distribution center with questions about the availability of materials.*

# BASIC CURRICULUM 2011

Used in Church units with few members or where general curriculum materials are not available

Organization	Manuals and Resource Materials
<p><b>Melchizedek Priesthood and Relief Society</b></p> 	<p><b>1ST SUNDAYS</b> The scriptures; Church magazines; <i>Priesthood and Auxiliary Leaders' Guidebook</i> (31178); <i>Family Guidebook</i> (31180); and other Church-approved resources</p> <p><b>2ND AND 3RD SUNDAYS</b> <i>Gospel Principles</i>, new edition (06195); continued from 2010. If this book is not available, the previous edition of <i>Gospel Principles</i> (31110) may be used. If neither of these books is available, <i>Gospel Fundamentals</i> (31129) may be used. Lessons should be taught in the order they are presented in the book.</p> <p><b>4TH SUNDAYS</b> Teachings for Our Time lessons are taught from talks in the most recent general conference issue of the <i>Ensign</i> or <i>Liahona</i> (see page 6 of this publication for instructions on selecting talks). If these magazines are not available in the language, the First Presidency Messages and Visiting Teaching Messages may be used.</p> <p><b>5TH SUNDAYS</b> Topics and Church-approved resources determined by the branch presidency</p>
<p><b>Aaronic Priesthood and Young Women</b></p>	<p><b>1ST, 4TH, AND 5TH SUNDAYS</b> <i>Aaronic Priesthood Manual 1</i> (34820) or <i>Young Women Manual 1</i> (34823). Teach lessons in order over two years, then repeat. If <i>Aaronic Priesthood Manual 1</i> and <i>Young Women Manual 1</i> are not available, use the <i>Duties and Blessings of the Priesthood</i> and <i>The Latter-day Saint Woman</i> manuals for lessons on the 1st, 4th, and 5th Sundays.</p> <p><b>2ND AND 3RD SUNDAYS</b> <i>Duties and Blessings of the Priesthood, Part B</i> (31112) or <i>The Latter-day Saint Woman, Part B</i> (31114)</p> <p>Other resources include the scriptures; Church magazines; <i>Fulfilling My Duty to God: For Aaronic Priesthood Holders</i> (06746); <i>Young Women Personal Progress</i> (36035); <i>For the Strength of Youth</i> (36550); and <i>True to the Faith</i> (36863).</p>

Organization	Manuals and Resource Materials
<p><b>Primary</b></p>  <p><b>New</b></p>	<p><b>AGES 18 MONTHS–2 YEARS (NURSERY CLASS)</b> <i>Behold Your Little Ones: Nursery Manual</i> (37108)</p> <p><b>AGES 3–11 (SHARING TIME)</b> <i>2011 Outline for Sharing Time: I Know the Scriptures Are True</i> (08635)</p> <p><b>AGE 3</b> <i>Primary 1: I Am a Child of God</i> (34969)</p> <p><b>AGES 4–7</b> <i>Primary 3: Choose the Right B</i> (34499)</p> <p><b>AGES 8–11</b> <i>Primary 7: New Testament</i> (34604)</p> <p>Other resources for all classes include the Church magazines; illustrated scripture readers; <i>Gospel Art Book</i> (06048 090); <i>Children's Songbook</i> (35395); and Visual Aids Cutouts (individual sets 1–10).</p>
<p><b>Sunday School</b></p> 	<p><b>AGES 12–18</b> <i>New Testament Gospel Doctrine Teacher's Manual</i> (35681)</p> <p><b>ADULTS</b> <i>New Testament Gospel Doctrine Teacher's Manual</i> (35681)</p> <p><b>ADULTS</b> <i>Gospel Principles</i>, new edition (06195). If this book is not available, the previous edition of <i>Gospel Principles</i> (31110) may be used. If neither of these books is available, <i>Gospel Fundamentals</i> (31129) may be used. This course is for investigators, new members, members returning to activity, and others who need basic gospel instruction. The instructor chooses the order of the lessons according to the needs of class members.</p>

Optional Courses	Manuals and Resource Materials
<p><b>Teaching the Gospel</b></p>	<p><i>Teaching, No Greater Call</i> (36123), pages 185–239 (12 weeks). If this book is not available, use the <i>Teaching Guidebook</i> (34595), pages 21–22 (8 weeks).</p>
<p><b>Marriage and Family Relations</b></p>	<p><i>Marriage and Family Relations Instructor's Manual</i> (35865) <i>Marriage and Family Relations Participant's Study Guide</i> (36357) (16 weeks)</p>

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## Instructions for Sunday Quorums and Classes

The curriculum year begins worldwide on January 1. Use the following instructions to organize priesthood quorums and Sunday classes.

### *Melchizedek Priesthood and Relief Society*

On most Sundays, Melchizedek Priesthood brethren and Relief Society sisters meet separately but study the same subjects and use the same materials.

**FIRST SUNDAY.** Elders quorum, high priests group, and Relief Society leaders each plan this meeting for their own organization and can use the first-Sunday resource materials listed on pages 2 and 4.

A member of the elders quorum presidency or high priests group leadership teaches on the first Sunday. Quorum and group leaders use this meeting to help brethren become actively engaged in their priesthood duties. Subjects may include home teaching, performing priesthood ordinances and blessings, strengthening marriages and families, service, missionary work, activation, spiritual and temporal welfare, and temple and family history work. Quorum and group leaders may also use this time to plan ways to help others, give assignments, and ask for reports on past assignments.

A member of the ward Relief Society presidency teaches on the first Sunday. She uses the scriptures and approved

Church materials. Relief Society leaders use this meeting to teach the doctrines of the gospel and help sisters become actively engaged in the work of Relief Society. Subjects may include women's roles and responsibilities in the gospel, strengthening marriages and families, visiting teaching, service, missionary work, activation, spiritual and temporal welfare, and temple and family history work. Time may be given for sisters to share their testimonies.

**SECOND AND THIRD SUNDAYS.** Melchizedek Priesthood brethren and Relief Society sisters are taught from the new *Gospel Principles* manual that temporarily replaces the *Teachings of Presidents of the Church* books. Lessons may be taught by leaders or by quorum, group, or Relief Society teachers who have been set apart. Lessons are generally taught in the order they are presented in the manual.

Elders quorum, high priests group, and Relief Society leaders see that all members age 18 and older receive a copy of the new *Gospel Principles* manual for their personal study. Leaders encourage participants to bring their copies of the manual to class.

If stake conferences or other meetings preclude the teaching of one of these lessons, stake presidents and bishops decide if it should be taught on another Sunday.

**FOURTH SUNDAY—TEACHINGS FOR OUR TIME.** Lessons are taught from talks in the most recent general conference issue of the *Ensign* or *Liahona*. These talks are also available online (in many languages) at [www.conference.lds.org](http://www.conference.lds.org). Lessons may be taught by leaders or by quorum, group, or Relief Society teachers who have been set apart. Stake presidents may choose which talks should be used, or they may assign bishops to select the talks. The conference issues of the magazines contain further instructions.

**FIFTH SUNDAY (WHEN APPLICABLE).** The subject for this meeting is determined by the bishopric to meet local needs. On this Sunday the elders quorum and high priests group may meet separately or together, or they may be combined with the Relief Society.





### ***Aaronic Priesthood and Young Women***

Aaronic Priesthood quorums normally meet separately for Sunday quorum meetings and instruction. However, they may be combined when few Aaronic Priesthood-age young men live in the unit. The same guidelines apply to Young Women classes. Young men of the Aaronic Priesthood and young women may occasionally meet together for Sunday lessons under the direction of the bishop.

Young men of the Aaronic Priesthood and young women are taught from the manuals listed on pages 2 and 4. Leaders may invite youth to help teach parts of lessons.

### ***Primary***

Leaders should group children into Primary classes according to their ages on January 1. If there are sufficient numbers of children, a separate class should be organized for each age-group. Where classrooms or teachers are limited, children of different ages may be grouped together.

Where possible, a nursery class should be provided for children when they turn 18 months. Enrolling children in this class is the option of the parents. Children who are 2 years old by January 1 continue in the nursery class until the end of 2011. Children who are 3 years old by January 1 attend the Sunbeam class or the youngest combined class.

Children are taught from the manuals shown on the charts on pages 2 and 5.

Where appropriate, younger children participate in Primary sharing time while the older children attend class. Halfway through Primary, the two groups change places. Where numbers are few, the two groups may meet together. If the two groups meet separately, sharing time for older children should be held during the same time as Aaronic Priesthood and Young Women classes.

Children who turn 12 during the year continue to attend their Primary class until the following January. However, during Primary sharing time they begin attending their Aaronic Priesthood quorum meeting or Young Women class.

### ***Sunday School***

Sunday School is for members who are 12 and older on January 1. Children who turn 12 during the year remain in their Primary class during Sunday School.

Where there are sufficient numbers of youth, separate classes may be organized for each age-group. Where there are few youth or where classrooms or teachers are limited, youth of different ages may be grouped together.

Sunday School courses and the resources for teaching them are shown on the charts on pages 3 and 5.

### ***Optional Courses***

For information about optional courses, see the charts on pages 3 and 5. These courses are held as needed under the direction of the bishopric. They are held at times that are convenient for participants, including during Sunday School.

### ***Members with Disabilities***

Leaders should ensure that members who have disabilities are aware of Church curriculum materials that have been adapted for their needs. For information about these materials, contact the distribution center that serves your unit. Helpful information can also be found at [www.disabilities.lds.org](http://www.disabilities.lds.org).

## *Teacher Improvement*

Priesthood and auxiliary leaders are responsible for the quality of teaching in their organizations. They orient new teachers and provide ongoing instruction and support. Members of the ward Sunday School presidency assist with teacher improvement efforts. They help priesthood and auxiliary leaders in orienting, instructing, and providing ongoing support for teachers. Members of ward councils regularly counsel together about how to improve gospel teaching and learning.

*Teaching, No Greater Call* (36123) is the resource for teacher improvement. In areas where this book is not available, units should use the *Teaching Guidebook* (34595).

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## **Materials for the Home**

The bishop and ward leaders should ensure that all members are familiar with and have access to the following materials as they are available in the appropriate language:

Scriptures

Church magazines

*Hymns* (31243)

*The Family: A Proclamation to the World* (35602)

*The Living Christ: The Testimony of the Apostles* (36299)

*Family Guidebook* (31180)

*Family Home Evening Resource Book* (31106)

*Gospel Art Book* (06048 090)

*True to the Faith: A Gospel Reference* (36863)

*Behold Your Little Ones: Nursery Manual* (37108)

*Old Testament Visual Resource DVDs* (00492)

*All Is Safely Gathered In: Family Finances* (04007)

*All Is Safely Gathered In: Family Home Storage* (04008)

To obtain these materials, go to [www.ldscatalog.com](http://www.ldscatalog.com) on the Internet or contact the distribution center that serves your unit. Many of these resources are also available for viewing, listening, or downloading at [www.GospelLibrary.Lds.org](http://www.GospelLibrary.Lds.org).