

Special Witness Cards

Use these cards to learn more about the members of the First Presidency and the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles. You could also copy the cards and create a matching game. Print more copies at friend.churchofjesuschrist.org. Laminate your cards or use contact paper.



**President
M. Russell Ballard**
*Acting President of the Quorum of the
Twelve Apostles*

- Was nicknamed “the bishop” in college because of his high standards
- Owned a car dealership
- Served as a missionary in England and as mission president in Toronto, Canada



**President
Henry B. Eyring**
First Counselor in the First Presidency

- Played basketball in high school
- Learned physics from his father on their family chalkboard
- Was president of Ricks College, now BYU-Idaho



**President
Dallin H. Oaks**
First Counselor in the First Presidency

- Cleaned a radio repair shop as his first job
- Became a lawyer and Utah Supreme Court judge
- Was president of BYU



**President
Russell M. Nelson**
*17th President of The Church of
Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints*

- Was a heart surgeon
- Studied several languages, including Mandarin
- Has 10 children—9 girls and 1 boy



**Elder
Quentin L. Cook**
Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles

- Gained a testimony after studying scriptures and praying with his older brother
- Saw his future wife at a junior-high talent show
- Served as a Church leader in the Philippines and Pacific Islands



**Elder
David A. Bednar**
Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles

- Was a quarterback on his high-school football team
- After serving a mission in Germany, baptized his father a member of the Church
- Was president of Ricks College when it became BYU-Idaho



**Elder
Dieter F. Uchtdorf**
Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles

- Was a refugee twice as a child
- Was an air-plane captain
- Enjoys skiing with his children and grandchildren



**Elder
Jeffrey R. Holland**
Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles

- Was a mission companion with Elder Cook in England
- Worked for the Church Education System
- Was president of BYU





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**Elder
Gary E. Stevenson**
Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles

- Served as a missionary and mission president in Japan
- Started a business manufacturing and selling exercise equipment
- Served as bishop over the whole Church



**Elder
Ronald A. Rasband**
Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles

- Was mission president in New York City, USA
- His motto is "It's people that matter most"
- Dedicated the first LDS Church building in the Czech Republic



**Elder
Ulisses Soares**
Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles

- Is from Brazil, and served as a missionary there and mission president in Portugal
- Learned about the Church with his family as a young boy
- Started getting ready for a mission when he was 12 years old



**Elder
Neil L. Andersen**
Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles

- Grew up on a dairy farm in Idaho, USA
- Served as a missionary and mission president in France
- Speaks French, Portuguese, Spanish, and English



**Elder
Gerrit W. Gong**
Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles

- Likes animals, including penguins
- Loves meeting people in every country
- Has family history records back to First Dragon Gong in 837 AD



**Elder
D. Todd Christofferson**
Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles

- Baked homemade bread for his family growing up
- Participated in the Hill Cumorah Pageant as a teenager
- Worked as a lawyer before being called as an Apostle



**Elder
Dale G. Renlund**
Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles

- His middle name, Gunnar, means "brave soldier"
- Moved to Sweden as a teenager
- Worked as a heart doctor

