

### **Keynote Speaker- Phillip Wright**

Phill Wright has been married to Shaun McKinney Wright since 1982, and together they have built a beautiful family with seven children and soon-to-be nineteen grandchildren. A Georgia native and a convert to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Phill dedicated two years of his life to serving in the Raleigh, North Carolina mission. He and Shaun were sealed in the Jordan River Utah Temple and raised their family in Bountiful, UT.

Phill has devoted much of his life to teaching and serving within the Church. He taught Gospel Doctrine classes for over fifteen years and early morning Seminary for six years, inspiring many with his love for the scriptures. In 2019, he was ordained a Patriarch, serving alongside Shaun as his scribe in the Saratoga Springs Utah North Stake. Following inspiration from the Lord, Phill and Shaun sold their home in April 2023 and moved to Jameson, Missouri, where they are building a home just minutes from Adam-ondi-Ahman. Retiring from a successful career in finance, Phill has also been an influential figure in Utah politics, serving as Vice-Chair of the UTGOP, UTGOP Chair for the 2016 RNC Convention, and Utah Chair for Ted Cruz's Presidential Campaign. His passion for leadership and service extended into his creative pursuits as well. Since publishing his first novel in 2012, Phill has authored six best-selling books, with his latest series earning an international book award.

As a sought-after public speaker, Phill has presented at conferences across the country, sharing insights and inspiration. He is a devoted follower of the Prophet, a believer in the scriptures, and a firm advocate of the gospel message that Jesus Christ will soon return to the earth. His life reflects his commitment to faith, family, and the Lord's work.

### **Becoming a Better Teacher at Home and Church- Kelly Rindlisbacher**

Kelly Rindlisbacher was born and raised in the Texas Panhandle, where he grew up as one of five children. He fondly remembers family outings to Palo Duro Canyon, Friday night football games, enjoying Allsup's bean burritos, and cheering on the Dallas Cowboys. At 19, Kelly was called to serve a mission in Fresno, California, where he learned invaluable lessons and made lasting relationships.

Although Kelly once dreamed of becoming a mortician, he ultimately chose to pursue a different path. He studied Communications and earned a graduate degree from the University of Cincinnati. His passions include Church history, engaging in lively debates, jigsaw puzzles, and fishing with his sons, T-Bob and Landen.

In the summer of 1996, Kelly met Wendy Cobia while working a summer job in Nashville, Tennessee. Friendship quickly evolved into a long distance courtship and on April 26, 1997, they were sealed for eternity in the Bountiful, Utah temple. Together, they are the proud parents of four amazing children.

Professionally, Kelly has spent most of his career in the biotechnology industry, holding various roles with Pfizer and Genentech. He finds immense joy and fulfillment in serving in the Church and currently serves as the First Counselor in the Olathe Stake Presidency.

### **Priesthood Power Based on Covenants and Ordinances- Elder & Sister Morgan**

Elder Jeremiah J. Morgan was called as an Area Seventy for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in April 2020. In that capacity he has ecclesiastical responsibility for Missouri, Illinois, and Iowa, as well as Communication responsibility for the North America Central Area.

As a young boy, Elder Morgan grew up in the small town of Lamoni, Iowa. As a teenager his family moved to Independence, Missouri. He earned his college degree from the University of Central Missouri, where he played football. He also played violin in the University symphony. After college, Elder Morgan received his law degree from Brigham Young University. He then clerked for the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit and practiced law with the international law firm of Bryan Cave LLC. He served as Deputy Solicitor General for the State of Missouri, arguing numerous cases before the Missouri Supreme Court and many other appellate courts. He also served as General Counsel to the Supreme Court of Missouri. In 2019, Elder Morgan accepted the appointment as Deputy Attorney General for Missouri, where he currently serves. Elder Morgan previously served as a full-time missionary for the Church in the Micronesian islands, as well as a Bishop, Branch President, and Stake President.

Sister Rebecca Morgan serves on the communication council in the Liberty Missouri Stake. She also enjoys serving alongside her husband as they travel and meet members of The Church throughout the North America Central Area.

Sister Morgan grew up in the Independence, Missouri area as the oldest of 6 children. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Computer Science from Brigham Young University and a Master's Degree in Information Systems from Boston University. She worked for 15 years as a software engineer for Optum, working part-time from home while raising young children. She now works full-time and leads a team as Vice President of Product Management for Enlyte, a software company serving the Property & Casualty Insurance industry.

Sister Morgan previously served as Gospel Doctrine Teacher, Stake Technology Specialist, Stake Employment Specialist, Stake Family History Specialist and Communication Specialist. Sister Morgan enjoys kickboxing, family history and spending time with their 5 children and 6 grandchildren.

### **Stress Management and Emotional Self Reliance- Dr. Justin Chandler - MD., DD., MA.H., MS.H. Neurovascular Neurohospitalist**

Dr. Chandler has been recognized for his teaching and patient care. He has presented and lectured nationally and internationally. He is a member of the Gold Humanism Honor Society, Neurocritical Care Society, American Stroke and Heart Association, American Academy of Neurology, American Neurological Association, Neurohospitalist Society, and the American College of Physicians. He teaches medical students, residents, and serves/has served on ethical, medical, and pharmaceutical boards. He is currently serving as the Bishop of the Independence 4th Ward in the Independence Missouri Stake.

### **Joyfully Worshipping Heavenly Father in the Home, at Church, and in the Temple-** **Dale Christensen**

Dale was born and raised in Springfield, New Jersey, where he attended the local elementary and intermediate schools. He graduated from The Pingry School, where he was very active in sports and several extracurricular activities. He graduated from the University of Utah with a Bachelor and Master Degrees in Mechanical Engineering. He was employed by the Federal Government for 33½ years as a Mechanical Engineer/Computer Engineer. He retired and moved with his wife to Independence Missouri in May 2006.

He has held many callings in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints including Bishop (2X), High Councilor, Elders' Quorum President (2X), and many other leadership positions. He has served as an Ordinance Worker/Sealer for more than 30 years in the Washington DC, St. Louis Missouri, and Kansas City Missouri Temples.

He married Sally Jane Wilson in the Salt Lake Temple in 1971, and they are the parents of 5 children and 19 grandchildren.

### **Finding Joy in All Things-** **Bryan Beckenstoss**

Bryan Beckenstoss is a seasoned professional with over 20 years of experienced in the Healthcare Technology and FINTECH industries. His expertise lies in developing technology solutions that enhance care measures and tracking within the healthcare system, as well as improving financial health and wellness for individuals. Throughout his career, Bryan has successfully built and led multiple sales teams, consistently surpassing corporate targets with only one exception. His remarkable sales achievements are a testament to his leadership and the dynamic team he assembled, who embraced the philosophy of "Failing fast to succeed quicker."

Currently, Bryan, alongside his wife Amanda, owns and operates EarthWise Pet, a small independent Pet Nutrition and Wellness store. Their store is dedicated to offering the highest quality foods, treats, and hard goods, ensuring that dogs and cats thrive in their environments. The store also features a top-notch grooming salon, where pets are pampered to perfection.

Brian and Amanda's love story started in Utah and grew after they both served a mission for the Church. Together, they have built a beautiful family with three children. Their son Justin is returning from his mission in September, and their daughters are flourishing in school, social circles, theater and music. The family also includes Piper, an energetic Mountain Cur who survives as the store's official food and toy tester and is the family's loyal protector.

Bryan's fears include losing his voice, falling into a sinkhole while enjoying a motorcycle ride through Missouri's back roads, becoming irrelevant and fading from the lives of those he loves, and facing a global ice cream shortage. His hobbies reflect his diverse interests, from woodworking (particularly on his lathe), and motorcycle riding to building businesses, watching movies (though he prefers to avoid theaters), enjoying fireworks and indulging in Coke Zero. Above all, Bryan values time with his family, serving in his church, traveling, and savoring a good hamburger.

### **Christlike Communication-** **Janeel and Rand Smith**

Rand and Janeel Smith have held a wide array of callings in church service. Currently, they are serving as the Liberty Stake Adult Religion Class instructors. They have extensive experience interacting with the public and leadership in civic and business organizations. Rand and Janeel are the owners of the Kansas City optical boutique, eyeSmith. They are the proud parents of eight children and twenty-eight grandchildren.

### **Healing Through the Savior-** **Elder and Sister Morales**

Elder and Sister Morales met in 1976 in Southern California while Elder Morales was serving as a dentist in the Navy at El Toro Marine base and Sister Morales was working as a dental office manager. After being married in the Los Angeles Temple in 1977 they moved to the Kansas area so Elder Morales could finish his graduate work to become a periodontist. They have lived in Kansas City area for forty-eight years.

They have four children, one biological and three adopted. Addiction Recovery became a part of their busy family life as some of their children developed addictive behaviors. Serving as ordinance workers in various temples for sixteen years has been a joy. In 2016 they were called to be Addiction Recovery Group Leaders and Program Coordinators for Olathe Stake and served for six years where they personally learned about the power of the inspired 12-Step Addiction Recovery Program. Then three years ago, they were called to be Addiction Recovery Regional Trainer/Coordinators with responsibilities over thirteen stakes in the North America Central Area. This work has been delightful and rewarding as they have had the privilege of meeting with and educating leaders and members in those stakes which includes sixty-one wards.

They are here to share the joy and light-filled spirit of Addiction Recovery education as we all journey on our individual paths to the grace and power of the Atonement of Jesus Christ.

### **Spiritual and Physical Muscle Memory-** **Jay Goss**

Jay Goss has worked with youth groups for 36 years in BSA and Civil Air Patrol. He is a scuba diving instructor specializing in search and recovery. He is also CERT trained, and advanced first aid in back country trained. He is lived through hurricanes in Florida and tornados in Missouri. He is still plugging along like an old Mule.

### **Welcome to the Church of EnJoy-** **Ellen Dokos**

Ellen was born in the small town of Paola, Kansas. She grew up in the rural area of Fontana, Kansas. She served in the Louisville Kentucky Mission and enJOYed training many other sister missionaries. She currently serves in the Kansas City Missouri Temple as an Ordinance Worker. She enJOY's serving every week. Family and friends, both old and new, bring JOY to her life.

Ellen will be providing activities and mixer games to coincide with Elder Kearon's talk "Welcome to the Church of Joy".

## 2025 Kansas City Regional Singles Conference Workshop Schedule

	9:00– 9:50	10:00 – 10:50	11:00 – 11:50	12:00 – 12:50	1:00– 1:50	2:00– 2:50
<b>Stress Management &amp; Emotional Self- Reliance-</b> Bishop Chandler	CH	CH				
<b>Christlike Communication-</b> Janeel & Rand Smith	PR	PR				
<b>Finding Joy in All Things-</b> Bryan Beckenstoss	RS		RS	<b>L</b>		
<b>Joyfully Worshipping Heavenly Father in the Home, at Church, and in the Temple-</b> Dale Christensen			CH	<b>U N</b>	CH	
<b>Becoming a Better Teacher at Home and at Church-</b> Kelly Rindlisbacher				<b>C</b>	PR	PR
<b>Spiritual &amp; Physical Muscle Memory-</b> Jay Goss			YW	<b>H</b>		YW
<b>Healing through the Savior-</b> Elder & Sis. Morales		RS			RS	
<b>Welcome to the Church of EnJoy-</b> Ellen Dokos						RS

CH-Chapel

RS- Relief Society Room

PR- Primary

YW-Young Women's Room