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To: General Authorities, General Officers, and the following leaders in the designated temple districts: Area Seventies; Stake, Mission, District, and Temple Presidents; Bishops and Branch Presidents

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Phase 3 for Temples

We are pleased to announce that the following four temples will enter Phase 3 of temple worship, with some beginning as early as December 21, 2020:

- Nuku'alofa Tonga
- Apia Samoa
- Brisbane Australia
- Taipei Taiwan

These temples are located in areas where the incidence of COVID-19 is low and local public health guidelines for gathering and worship can be appropriately met. Additional temple transitioning to Phase 3 will be done in consultation with the Temple Department, temple presidencies, and Area Presidencies. These transitions will be announced in advance.

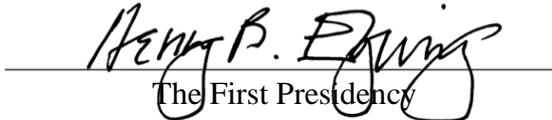
Phase 3 is a return to proxy ordinance work for one's ancestors, but with smaller numbers of both patrons and temple workers, and a limited schedule. Patrons may attend the temple by appointment only. Additional details, including video messages and instructions for members are available at newsroom.ChurchofJesusChrist.org.

We are grateful that the Church is now able to enter this new phase of reopening temples.

Sincerely,







The First Presidency