

# the PREPAREDNESS *minute*

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## Ward Plan

Coming in September, you'll be receiving a ward Emergency Preparedness Plan Booklet. Your block captains will be handing them out and you'll also receive your block captain's info to include in your plans. Make sure you keep this next to your Family Plan.

Need a Family Plan?  
Call Linda 380-5553 or  
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## ✧ Wait for it! ✧

*"and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth." (see Revelation 11:13; 16:18)*

Our friend who lives in Laguna Beach, CA felt the recent earthquake in Chino, CA which happened on July 29. Here's what he said about his very first experience, "At first, it felt as though a heavy truck had rumbled down the road, but with no truck in sight and a short stutter before a second rumble, I knew it was an earthquake. A few things got tossed around but nothing that's got me too worried." He & a lot of others were very blessed that the 5.8 earthquake just 40 miles north of where he lives, wasn't a 8.7 which would have been 794 times BIGGER and 23,000 times STRONGER than the one he felt.

Almost 75 percent of Utah's population lives near the Wasatch Fault. Earth scientists

have shown that this fault has repeatedly experienced strong earthquakes of magnitude 7 or larger and will continue to do so in the future. Although no powerful earthquake has occurred on the Wasatch Fault for the past 150 years, future such events are certain.

We felt we should focus this issue on preparing for **Earthquakes**. The following page has some basic information for you on how to secure your belongings to walls and floors, so when an earthquake rattles your home you won't get hurt or crushed by the furniture and things in your home.

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*(Stats by earthquake.usgs.gov)*

## Latter Day Experience

"Early one morning, without warning, the violent shaking of an earthquake woke us up. After making sure no one was injured, our family went out on the patio of our home to stay away from danger. How

could we know when they would happen?

My wife came up with the simple idea to hang old scissors from a column. Each time another tremor was near, the scissors would softly rattle, which made them ring like a small bell and warn us.

Many of us expect the greatest dangers in life to come with warning. Some of the dangers you face are so subtle you may have difficulty detecting them. Satan knows this, and he looks for those who are inexperienced and not prepared."  
LDS.org, New Era, Jul 1993