

Yorba Linda California Temple Facts



Location: 17130 Bastanchury Road
Yorba Linda, California 92886

Announced: April 4, 2021

Groundbreaking: June 18, 2022

Public Open House: April 30-May 23, 2026
(excluding Sundays)

Dedication: June 7, 2026

Property Size: 5.46 acres

Building Size: 30,872 square feet

Building Height: 70 feet (including the spire)

Architect: HKS

Interior Design: Sagrada Design Studio

Contractor: Zwick Construction

The Yorba Linda California Temple will be the 219th operating temple of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and the ninth temple in the Golden State. The Yorba Linda temple will serve more than 21,500 members of the Church in eight stakes (similar to a diocese).

The temple's design hearkens to the historic Spanish Mission architecture of the region, featuring a white marble exterior with soft pink and gray granite accents and a clay tile roof. Palm elements appear in exterior stone carvings and art glass, selected both for their regional significance and for their religious symbolism. Interior design motifs draw from the local landscape's many floral varieties as well as historic Spanish Mission buildings, incorporating rondels and other geometric patterns throughout.

EXTERIOR FEATURES

BUILDING: The temple is constructed with structural steel and insulated concrete forms, clad in white Blanco Macael marble with pink and gray Rosa Porrino granite accents.

PROPERTY: The property extends over 5.46 acres, enclosed by black ornamental aluminum metal fencing with marble and granite stone-clad pilasters.

INTERIOR FEATURES

FLOORING: Custom patterned carpet is used throughout the temple, with area rugs in select spaces, including a New Zealand wool rug in the bride's room. The carpet was fabricated by Bentley Mills of City of Industry, California; Interface of Atlanta, Georgia; EcoPath of Chatsworth, Georgia; and Protexmatting of Denver, Colorado. It was installed by Commercial Flooring Systems of Salt Lake City, Utah. The area rugs were fabricated by Rugs International of Cartersville, Georgia, and installed by Commercial Flooring Systems.

STONE: The temple's primary interior stone is Botticino Classico Extra marble, accented with BS Beige marble, Costa Esmeralda granite, Giallo Reale marble, Giallo Provenza marble, Rojo Alicante marble and Camel Beige Trani Verso limestone. The stonework was fabricated by Mármoles Gutiérrez Mena of Fines, Almería, Spain;

Grupimar of Porriño, Pontevedra, Spain; and Marmi Ghirardi of Carpenedolo, Italy. It was installed by Carrara of City of Industry, California.

TILE: Decorative tile throughout the temple was fabricated by Rookwood Pottery of Cincinnati, Ohio; Adex USA of Doral, Florida; and Daltile of Dallas, Texas. It was installed by Carrara of City of Industry, California.

WALLS: Warm neutral tones grace the temple walls, complementing the Spanish Mission design with hues of canvas tan, Greek villa and neutral ground. The paint was installed by Precision Wallcovering & Painting of San Juan Capistrano, California.

DECORATIVE PAINT: Decorative paint designs throughout the temple incorporate colors and patterns inspired by the local landscape and historic Spanish Mission buildings, featuring 24-karat gold leaf accents in select areas. The decorative paint was installed by Iconography Inc. of Salt Lake City, Utah.

LIGHTING: Decorative light fixtures combine crystal with gold-colored metal, satin brass and plated stainless steel with acrylic lenses. The bride's room features Murano glass fixtures. Crystal chandeliers and sconces illuminate key spaces throughout the temple, creating an atmosphere of sacred elegance. The lighting was fabricated by Sternberg of Roselle, Illinois; Preciosa Lighting of Dallas, Texas; Schonbek of Plattsburgh, New York; and Remains Lighting of Brooklyn, New York. It was installed by A.J. Kirkwood & Associates of Fullerton, California, and Zwick Construction of Murray, Utah.

MILLWORK: Plain-sliced sapele veneer and plain-sawn sapele solids are used throughout the temple's interior, with painted poplar and maple millwork in select areas. The millwork was fabricated and installed by Fetzer Architectural Woodworking of Salt Lake City, Utah.

ART GLASS: The art glass was designed by Holdman Studios of Lehi, Utah; Sagrada Design Studio, Salt Lake City, Utah; HKS of Salt Lake City, Utah; and Michael Costantino. The patterns incorporate palm elements and rondels inspired by historic Spanish Mission architecture, with green, blue, soft white, orange and yellow hues and custom jewels. The art glass was fabricated and installed by Holdman Studios.

DOORS AND HARDWARE: The interior doors are quarter-sawn sapele with art glass panels and US4 solid brass hardware. The hardware was fabricated by Rocky Mountain Hardware of Hailey, Idaho, and ASSA ABLOY of Stockholm, Sweden, and installed by Midwest D-Vision Solutions of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Fetzer Architectural Woodworking of Salt Lake City, Utah. Exterior doors were fabricated by Kawneer of Norcross, Georgia, and installed by Flynn of Salt Lake City, Utah. Interior doors were fabricated by Fetzer Architectural Woodworking of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Concept Millwork Corporation of London, Ontario, Canada, and installed by Fetzer Architectural Woodworking.

BAPTISMAL FONT RAILINGS: The baptismal font railings feature bronze metal with a satin brushed finish and clear tempered glass with decorative etching. They were fabricated and installed by Belt Metal Art+Design Studio of La Tebaida, Quindío, Colombia.

CEILING: The temple's ceilings feature gypsum board with decorative paint, millwork box beams and molding with glass-fiber-reinforced gypsum (GFRG) corbels and medallions, and acoustic ceiling tile. The box beams and trim were fabricated and installed by Fetzer Architectural Woodworking of Salt Lake City, Utah. The GFRG elements were fabricated by Unlimited Designs of Salt Lake City, Utah, and installed by Ironwood Commercial Builders of Concord, California.

ORIGINAL ARTWORK: The temple features four pieces of original artwork that celebrate sacred themes and the natural beauty of Southern California. Brad Aldridge's "Hills in Springtime" captures the golden, rolling hillsides characteristic of the region. Geoff Krueger contributes two pastoral landscapes, "The Promise" and "The Long Row," evoking the area's historic orange groves and eucalyptus windbreaks. Elspeth Young's "Joanna and the Risen Lord" portrays the resurrected Savior with one of His faithful disciples.



History of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Yorba Linda, California



Mormon Pioneer Monument in Southern California

The story of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Yorba Linda is intertwined with the transformation of Southern California during the 19th and 20th centuries. In 1851, a group of over 400 Latter-day Saint pioneers arrived in what is now the San Bernardino region. These settlers—sent under the direction of Church President Brigham Young—had traveled from the Utah territory with wagons, livestock and supplies to establish a new colony in Southern California.

These Latter-day Saints were the first colonists to arrive in Southern California after it received statehood, drawing significant attention from locals. They bought a ranch adjacent to the property of Bernardo Yorba, whose family had settled the area. There they organized the first formal Church congregations in California, marking the beginning of an enduring Latter-day Saint presence in the region.

COMMUNITY AND CHURCH GROWTH

As Southern California entered the late 19th century and early 20th, the region experienced steady growth in population, agriculture and economic development.

During this time, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints also began to establish a more permanent presence in the area.

In the early 1980s, the Church purchased a five-acre parcel of land on Bastanchury Road in Yorba Linda. The front portion of the property was designated for a meetinghouse, while the remaining land was initially leased to a local nursery. The new meetinghouse was completed in 1984.

As membership continued to grow in the following decades, Church leaders considered how best to use the remaining portion of the property. In the early 2000s, local Church leader John C. Dalton IV proposed a plan to develop the unused back acreage. Drawing inspiration from a meetinghouse he had visited in Pasadena, where a ball field bordered by olive trees served youth and community activities, he suggested creating a similar space in Yorba Linda.

Church leaders in Salt Lake City approved the proposal on the condition that local members provide much of the funding and labor. Thanks to the combined efforts of the Anaheim East, Fullerton and Placentia stakes, a new ball field and pavilion were completed around 2010. For years, these facilities supported Boy Scouts, youth conferences, ward activities and community gatherings, becoming a cherished resource for local Church members.

In 2020, however, word spread that the Bastanchury meetinghouse property might be sold. Recognizing the significance of the land, local Church leaders compiled a detailed presentation outlining the property's history, value and future potential. After carefully reviewing that information, Church leaders determined that the property should be retained—a decision members later viewed as providential.

YORBA LINDA CALIFORNIA TEMPLE

On April 4, 2021, Church President Russell M. Nelson announced that a new temple would be built in

Yorba Linda—the ninth temple in California and the second in Orange County. A few months later, local Latter-day Saints were delighted when the Church announced that the temple would be located on the site of the Bastanchury meetinghouse.

Ground was broken for the temple on June 18, 2022, by Elder Mark A. Bragg, President of the Church's North America West Area. Nearly 500 guests, including community officials and interfaith leaders, attended the event, which was also broadcast to members throughout the region. Among the honored guests was Lisa Yorba Amerling, a descendant of the original Yorba family whose ancestral land now hosts the temple.

Just under four years later, the temple stands complete—a new sacred space in the heart of Yorba Linda. True to the city's motto, "The Land of Gracious Living," the support shown by city leaders and residents throughout the planning and construction process has reflected an atmosphere of goodwill and respect. At the groundbreaking, Elder Bragg said: "I promise you that this house of the Lord will represent the highest in gracious living, and those who enter will leave with a higher commitment to gracious living. I promise those who visit will feel the spirit of higher and gracious living as they stand on this sacred ground. We commit to being neighbors of gracious living."



ELDER TAKASHI WADA

General Authority Seventy



Church Service: Elder Takashi Wada was sustained as a General Authority Seventy of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on March 31, 2018. At the time of his call, he had been serving as a Gospel Doctrine teacher and director for temporal affairs in

the Asia North Area. He served as a member of the Asia North Area Presidency from 2018 to 2024. He is currently serving in the North America West Area.

Elder Wada has served in a number of Church callings, including full-time missionary in the Utah Salt Lake City North Mission, branch president, bishop, president of the Japan Tokyo South Mission, seminary teacher, ward young single adult adviser, and Gospel Doctrine teacher.

Professional Life: Elder Wada received a Bachelor of Arts degree in linguistics in 1990 and a master's degree in business administration in 1996, both from Brigham Young University. His professional career has included several executive positions for multinational corporations in the United States and Japan as well as the position of director for temporal affairs for the Church in the North America West, Northwest, and Asia North Areas.

Personal Life: Takashi Wada was born in Nagano, Japan, on Feb. 5, 1965. He married Naomi Ueno in 1994. They are the parents of two children.



ELDER MATHIAS HELD

General Authority Seventy



Church Service: Elder Mathias Held was sustained as a General Authority Seventy of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on March 31, 2018, at age 57. At the time of his call, he had been serving as a member of the Fourth Quorum of the Seventy in the South America Northwest Area. He is currently serving

at Church headquarters in Salt Lake City in various committees and assignments.

Elder Held has served in several Church callings, including high councilor, high priests group leader, elders quorum president, counselor in a stake presidency, counselor in a bishopric and recently member of an Area Presidency.

Professional Life: Elder Held received a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering from the Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, in 1983. In 1985 he received a master's degree in business administration from the Richard Ivey School of Business in Canada. He worked for more than 25 years for Mercedes-Benz in different countries, such as Germany, Guatemala and Brazil and most recently in Colombia as general manager. In 2017 he began working as general manager of LED Industrial Group Colombia.

Personal Life: Tomas Mathias Eduardo Held was born in Bogotá, Colombia, on June 5, 1960. He married Irene Jungkurth in 1985. They are the parents of three children.



ELDER I. RAYMOND EGBO

General Authority Seventy



Elder I. Raymond Egbo was sustained as a General Authority Seventy of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at the April 2024 general conference. At the time of his call, he had been serving as a member of the Third Quorum of the Seventy in the Africa West Area.

Elder Egbo has served in a number of Church callings, including full-time missionary in the Nigeria Lagos Mission, counselor in a stake presidency, high councilor, and president of the Nigeria Calabar Mission from 2009 to 2012.

Elder Egbo received an associate degree in education from Cross River College of Education in 1998, a Bachelor of Arts degree in geography and regional planning from the University of Calabar in 2002 and a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Cumbria in 2022. He began working for the Church in 2002 as an institute director. Since then, he has worked in various positions for Seminaries and Institutes of Religion, including coordinator, country director and area director.

Idyo Raymond Egbo was born in Port Harcourt, Rivers State, Nigeria, on June 25, 1974. He married Comfort Ikip Ese in 2003. They are the parents of three children. Elder and Sister Egbo reside in Riverton, Utah.



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Every effort is made to construct temples in an expeditious manner. At times, various reasons may delay a temple's completion and dedication.

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