

Temple Construction Progress Report (current as of 7/1/21)

Preliminary Notes: The Church has **252** temples in various phases. Of those, **168** are currently operating, while the dedication for **1** other temple has been set. Opening arrangements for **2** other completed temples have been delayed due to COVID-19. Another **33** are in various phases of construction. Additionally, full-scale construction is pending for **3** more temples.

A total of **9** previously-dedicated temples are in various stages of renovation. That includes **1** for which reopening arrangements have been announced; **2** other completed temples for which reopening arrangements have been delayed due to COVID-19; **1** more anticipated to be completed in 2021; **2** others for which completion is anticipated during 2022; and **2** pioneer-era temples, with the closure of **1** other pioneer-era temple set to occur later this year.

A groundbreaking has been scheduled for **1** additional temple, and there is enough information on **14** others to consider them as being in a “Groundbreaking Anticipated” status. The announcement of official details is pending for **3** more temples within the United States, along with **5** other temples outside the United States. The remaining **22** temples are announced.

Thus far in his prophetic administration, President Nelson has announced 70 new temples. Recent statements from apostles (including and especially President Nelson himself) have noted that the total number of temples will increase ten-fold. With no signs of slowing down, the Church is well on track to have a minimum of 200 operating temples by or before the Church’s bicentennial anniversary (which will be observed on Saturday, April 6, 2030).

Between today and that day, there are **8.76** years within which to dedicate the remaining 32 temples, which could be done if an average of **3.65** temples were dedicated each year. And within the next year alone, if COVID-19 conditions permit, a minimum of 9 temples could be dedicated

Due to COVID-19 restrictions on large public gatherings, all temple open houses and dedications/rededications have been postponed and may continue to be postponed until the last 2-4 months of 2021. The completion estimates below reflect the fluctuation of circumstances based on if, how, and to what extent COVID-19 has impacted or may yet impact those events.

Dedication Scheduled:

169. Pocatello Idaho Temple: Exterior lighting tests and adjustments underway; landscaping continues; interior finish work progressing; dedication scheduled to occur on **Sunday November 7, 2021.**

Dedication Postponed:

170. Rio de Janeiro Brazil Temple: Completed; public open house and dedication postponed until large public gatherings deemed safe.

171. Winnipeg Manitoba Temple: Completed; public open house and dedication postponed until large public gatherings deemed safe..

Temples For Which COVID-19 may delay a dedication window:

172. Quito Ecuador Temple: Final stages of construction; completion estimated sometime during *mid-to-late 2021.*

173. Yigo Guam Temple: Landscaping the temple grounds; completion estimated sometime during *mid-to-late 2021.*

Temples Under Construction (completion estimated sometime during 2022-2023):

174. Praia Cabo Verde Temple: Moldings attached around windows; interior work and landscaping continues; completion estimated sometime during *early 2022*.
175. San Juan Puerto Rico Temple: Cupola installed atop tower walls; some painting and hard landscaping of grounds underway; meetinghouse framing advancing; completion estimated sometime during *early 2022*.
176. Belém Brazil Temple: Sod laid; landscaping progressing; stone cladding of exterior walls nearing completion; interior work underway; completion estimated sometime *early-to-mid 2022*.
177. Saratoga Springs Utah Temple: Attaching panels to the steeple; framing the interior; installing temporary glass; completion estimated sometime during *mid-to-late 2022*.
178. Abidjan Côte d'Ivoire Temple: Plastering exterior walls; interior work underway; hardscaping the temple grounds; completion estimated sometime during *mid-to-late 2022*.
179. Richmond Virginia Temple: Stone cladding of temple underway; laying brick for meetinghouse; completion estimated sometime during *late 2022*.
180. Feather River California Temple: Precast concrete panels attached to structural frame of temple; interior framing progressing; completion estimated sometime during *late 2022-early 2023*.
182. Lima Peru Los Olivos Temple: Framing the temple tower; roughing in mechanical, electrical, and plumbing; completion estimated sometime during *late 2022-early 2023*.

Temples Under Construction (completion estimated sometime during 2023):

183. Bentonville Arkansas Temple: Cladding the temple frame in ornamented precast concrete panels; completion estimated sometime during *early 2023*.
184. McAllen Texas Temple: Installing precast concrete wall panels; steeple frame installed; completion estimated sometime during *early 2023*.
185. Layton Utah Temple: Installation of precast wall panels and window frames continues; completion estimated sometime during *early 2023*.
186. Bangkok Thailand Temple: Installation of precast concrete panels to exterior continues; completion estimated sometime during *early 2023*.
187. Moses Lake Washington Temple: Majority of exterior walls constructed; completion estimated sometime during *early-to-mid 2023*.
188. Orem Utah Temple: Preparing to begin stone cladding on north side; light-gauge steel framing underway on third floor; finishing staircase to exterior mechanical room; completion estimated sometime during *early-to-mid 2023*.
189. Taylorsville Utah Temple: Setting steel rafters for the roof; construction of parking facility continues; completion estimated sometime during *mid-2023*.
190. Urdaneta Philippines Temple: Cladding of exterior started along base; attaching hanging brackets to exterior walls; interior framing progressing; completion estimated sometime during *mid-2023*.
191. Brasilia Brazil Temple: Framing the temple tower; concrete frames nearing completion for accommodation center and meetinghouse; completion estimated sometime during *mid-to-late 2023*.
192. Salta Argentina Temple: Exterior walls rising; completion estimated sometime during *mid-to-late 2023*.

193. Red Cliffs Utah Temple: Steel framing underway; completion estimated sometime during *mid-to-late 2023*.

194. Okinawa Japan Temple: Shoring up the excavation walls; completion estimated sometime during *mid-to-late 2023*.

195. Puebla Mexico Temple: Floor slabs poured; setting rebar, forms, and steel beams for temple exterior walls; structural frame erected for meetinghouse; completion estimated sometime during *late 2023*.

Temples Under Construction (completion estimated sometime during 2023-2024):

196. Auckland New Zealand Temple: Heavy framing progressing; completion estimated sometime during *late 2023-early 2024*.

197. Alabang Philippines Temple: Setting reinforcing steel bar for exterior walls; completion estimated sometime during *late 2023-early 2024*.

198. Mendoza Argentina Temple: Excavating for the building foundations; completion estimated sometime during *late 2023-early 2024*.

Temples Under Construction (completion estimated sometime during 2024):

199. Coban Guatemala Temple: Construction and safety fences erected; compacting soil in preparation for excavation; completion estimated sometime during *early 2024*.

200. Tallahassee Florida Temple: Clearing of the temple site underway; completion estimated sometime during *early 2024*.

201. Deseret Peak Utah Temple: Burying power lines; utility vaults installed; completion estimated sometime during *early 2024*.

202. San Pedro Sula Honduras Temple: Excavation nearing completion; completion estimated sometime during *early-to-mid 2024*.

203. Syracuse Utah Temple: Surveyor establishing reference point; completion estimated sometime during *early-to-mid 2024*.

204. Davao Philippines Temple: Preparing to pour structural concrete; completion estimated sometime during *mid-2024*.

206. Bengaluru India: Stake center and service center razed; site clearing and preparation underway; completion estimated sometime during *mid-to-late 2024*.

Full-scale Construction Pending:

181. Helena Montana Temple: Groundbreaking ceremony held on Saturday June 26, 2021; full-scale construction pending; completion estimated sometime during *late 2022-early 2023*.

207. Antofagasta Chile Temple: Pre-construction demolition completed; full-scale construction pending; completion estimated sometime during *late 2024-early 2025*.

208. Harare Zimbabwe Temple: Groundbreaking ceremony held on Saturday, December 2, 2020; full-scale construction pending; completion estimated sometime during *early-to-mid 2025*.

Rededication Scheduled:

7. Mesa Arizona Temple: Completed; reopening arrangements announced on June 25, 2021; preparing for public open house; rededication scheduled to occur on **Sunday December 12, 2021**.

Rededication Postponed:

16. Washington D.C. Temple: Completed; public open house and rededication postponed until large public gatherings deemed safe.

18. Tokyo Japan Temple: Completed; public open house and rededication to be announced when large public gatherings deemed safe.

Undergoing Renovation (rededication anticipated during 2021):

11. Hamilton New Zealand Temple: Exterior lighting operational; interior and exterior renovations continue; completion estimated sometime during *mid-to-late 2021*.

Undergoing Renovation (rededication anticipated during 2022):

48. Hong Kong China Temple: Newly clad exterior revealed; interior renovations continue; completion estimated sometime during *mid-2022*.

60. Columbus Ohio Temple: Cladding the exterior walls; re-sheeting the roof; assembling the steeple; completion anticipated sometime during *mid-2022*.

Pioneer-era Temples Closed for Extensive Renovation:

1. St. George Utah Temple: Pouring footings for west end extension; pouring sidewalks on south side; preparing to pave road on east side; interior demolition completed; completion estimated sometime during *late 2022-early 2023*.

4. Salt Lake Temple: Making deep excavations for base isolation system; completion estimated sometime during *late 2024-early 2025*.

Preliminary Renovation Plans Announced:

3. Manti Utah Temple: Preliminary renovation plans announced on March 12, 2021; temple will close for renovation on **October 1, 2021**; completion estimated sometime during *mid-to-late 2023*.

Groundbreaking Scheduled:

205. Salvador Brazil Temple: Planning and approval phase; exterior rendering released on May 4, 2021; awaiting official site confirmation; preparing for groundbreaking, which is scheduled to occur in **August 2021**; completion estimated sometime in *mid-2024*.

Groundbreaking Anticipated:

209. Lindon Utah Temple: Planning and approval phase; site location announced; exterior rendering released on May 28, 2021; preliminary site activity underway; groundbreaking anticipated in *mid-2021*.

210. Pittsburgh Pennsylvania Temple: Planning and approval phase; site location confirmed and exterior rendering released on January 19, 2021; conditional use permit under review; groundbreaking anticipated in *mid-2021*.

211. Casper Wyoming Temple: Planning and approval phase; site location confirmed and preliminary information released on June 10, 2021; groundbreaking anticipated in *mid-to-late 2021*.

212. Elko Nevada Temple: Planning and approval phase; site location confirmed and preliminary information released on June 10, 2021; groundbreaking anticipated in *mid-to-late 2021*.

213. Neiafu Tonga Temple: Government approval phase; site location confirmed and exterior rendering released on August 14, 2020; groundbreaking anticipated in *mid-to-late 2021*.

214. Pago Pago American Samoa Temple: Government approval phase; site location confirmed and exterior rendering released on August 14, 2020; groundbreaking anticipated in *mid-to-late 2021*.

215. Port Moresby Papua New Guinea Temple: Planning and approval phase; site location confirmed and exterior rendering released on September 15, 2020; groundbreaking anticipated in *mid-to-late 2021*.

216. Port Vila Vanuatu Temple: Planning and approval phase; site location confirmed and exterior rendering released on May 19, 2021; groundbreaking anticipated in *mid-to-late 2021*.

217. Tarawa Kiribati Temple: Planning and approval phase; site location confirmed and exterior rendering released on May 19, 2021; groundbreaking anticipated in *mid-to-late 2021*.

218. Smithfield Utah Temple: Planning and approval phase; site location confirmed and preliminary information released on June 10, 2021; groundbreaking anticipated in *mid-to-late 2021*.

219. Farmington New Mexico: Site location confirmed and preliminary details released on June 23, 2021; groundbreaking anticipated in *late 2021*.

220. Grand Junction Colorado Temple: Site location confirmed and preliminary details released on June 23, 2021; groundbreaking anticipated in *late 2021*.

221. Burley Idaho Temple: Site location confirmed and preliminary details released on June 23, 2021; groundbreaking anticipated in *late 2021*.

222. Phnom Penh Cambodia Temple: Planning and approval phase; site location confirmed and exterior rendering released on November 19, 2020; groundbreaking anticipated in *late 2021-early 2022*.

Announcement of Official Details Pending (Temples Within the United States):

223. Eugene Oregon Temple: Announced on April 4, 2021; planning and approval phase; official details anticipated to be announced in *mid-2021*.

224. Yorba Linda California Temple: Announced on April 4, 2021; planning and approval phase; official details anticipated to be announced in *mid-2021*.

225. Ephraim Utah Temple: Announced on May 1, 2021; planning and approval phase; official details anticipated to be announced in *mid-2021*.

Announcement of Official Details Pending (Temples Outside the United States):

226. Bahia Blanca Argentina Temple: church architectural engineers visited the site in June 2021 to finalize plans; government approvals and permits being secured; groundbreaking not announced; official details anticipated to be announced in *mid-to-late 2021*.

227. Brussels Belgium Temple: Planning and approval phase; site reportedly acquired; official details anticipated to be announced in *mid-to-late 2021*.

228. Managua Nicaragua Temple: Planning and approval phase; site acquired (awaiting official confirmation); official details anticipated to be announced in *mid-to-late 2021*.

229. Lagos Nigeria Temple: Planning and approval phase; site acquired (awaiting official confirmation); official details anticipated to be announced in *late 2021*.

230. Nairobi Kenya Temple: Planning and approval phase; site acquired (awaiting official confirmation); official details anticipated to be announced in *late 2021*.

Announced Temples (for which more information is needed before I provide a groundbreaking estimate):

231. Cagayan de Oro Philippines Temple: Planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

232. Russia Administration Building: Planning and approval phase; city not yet specified; awaiting official site announcement.

Note: Not long after this temple was announced in April 2018, I heard that it was most likely to be built in Moscow. In mid-April 2021, the Church's official temple list changed the name of the temple to "Russia Administration Building" Based on that change, my assumption that the building will house area and mission offices, worship spaces, and spaces specifically designated for temple worship. If that proves to be correct, construction could start on this facility in the very near future.

233. Budapest Hungary Temple: Planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

234. Freetown Sierra Leone Temple: Planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

235. Bacolod Philippines Temple: Planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

236. Lubumbashi Democratic Republic of the Congo Temple: Planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

237. Benin City Nigeria Temple: Planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

238. Dubai United Arab Emirates Temple: Planning and approval phase; general location information confirmed in conjunction with temple announcement on April 5, 2020; additional information anticipated to be released upon the conclusion of Expo 2020 Dubai (which is anticipated to wrap up on March 31, 2022).

239. Shanghai China Temple: Status unknown.

240. Greater Guatemala City Guatemala Temple: Planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement; awaiting official name announcement.

Note: A short time after this temple was announced, some information from my Church member contact in Central America indicated that the temple in this area was likely to be built in either Villa Nueva or Mixco.

241. Sao Paulo East Brazil Temple: Planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

Note: A short time after this temple was announced, someone living near Sao Paulo Brazil mentioned on the Church Growth blog that this temple could potentially be built in Guarulhos, Santo André, or Diadema.

242. Santa Cruz Bolivia Temple: Planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

243. Oslo Norway Temple: Announced on April 4, 2021; planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

244 Vienna Austria Temple: Announced on April 4, 2021; planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

245 Kumasi Ghana Temple: Announced on April 4, 2021; planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

246 Beira Mozambique Temple: Announced on April 4, 2021; planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

247 Cape Town South Africa Temple: Announced on April 4, 2021; planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

248 Singapore Republic of Singapore Temple: Announced on April 4, 2021; planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

249 Belo Horizonte Brazil Temple: Announced on April 4, 2021; planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

250 Cali Colombia Temple: Announced on April 4, 2021; planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

251 Queretaro Mexico Temple: Announced on April 4, 2021; planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

252 Torreon Mexico Temple: Announced on April 4, 2021; planning and approval phase; awaiting official site announcement.

Key:

Temples whose numbers are established from prior dedications (those that are closed for renovation), or are certain due to a scheduled dedication, as well as definitive information, such as specific dedication or groundbreaking dates, appear in **bold text**.

Temples for which the numbering may change based on the order in which future dedications or groundbreakings are scheduled, appear in *italicized text*.

Temples for which the numbers may change based on the release of more official information appear in underlined text.

The most recent changes appear in red text.