

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

JUNE 24, 1940

A PATRIARCHAL BLESSING given by JAMES H. WALLIS, Patriarch, upon the head of NORA E. C. REAM; born, Logan, Utah, Dec. 28, 1862.  
FATHER: ALVIN CROCKETT; born, Fox Island, Main, Oct. 19, 1831.  
MOTHER: MARY SOPHIA REED; born, Ackworth, N. H., Sept. 6, 1833.

SISTER NORA E. C. REAM: As a humble servant of the Lord holding the Holy Priesthood, and according to thy desire, I lay my hands upon thy head and in the authority I hold as a Patriarch, I give unto thee this blessing, even a father's blessing, to be a source of joy and comfort and encouragement unto thee as long as thou shalt be permitted to live upon the earth. And this blessing, dear sister, is given thee because of thy faith in the Lord, and thou shalt receive a fulfillment of every promise made upon thy head this night.

Thou art worthy of this blessing, for the Lord is pleased at thy desires to honor Him and His Priesthood, and to be faithful in His great cause. Therefore, dear sister, having abided in the law upon which all blessings are predicated, thou art entitled to receive a fulfillment to the promises of the Lord.

Thou art of the house of Israel, through the loins of Ephraim, the choice son of Joseph who was sold into Egypt, that great and mighty prophet and deliverer, raised up by the Lord to become a wise counsellor and a mighty ruler in the land of Egypt. Thou art entitled, for thy faithfulness, to share in all the blessings promised Him by the Lord, and to every promise made to the house of Israel. The Lord has already given thee many of His choice blessings. Thou hast received the blessings of His Holy House and thou hast been blessed with some of His choice spirits whom He reserved unto thee from before the creation of this world. Thou hast had joy and happiness when engaged in His great work, and have received a burning testimony that this is the work of the Lord. So long as thou shalt have a desire, dear sister, of laboring in His service, blessings shall be multiplied unto thee, and thou shalt be able to accomplish every righteous desire of thy heart. Especially shalt thou be blessed in all thy labors to secure the redemption of thy dead, for they are waiting and longing for their deliverance through the help of those who are living in the flesh. The Lord will make known unto thee where thou shalt find the records that are necessary for their redemption. If thou wilt faithfully labor with others of thy family in this great work, thou shalt be a savior unto them, and they shall rejoice with thee when thou shalt meet them and tell of their great joy in having had the work done for them that brought unto them deliverance and a hope of eternal life and exaltation in the presence of God.

I bless thee, dear sister, in thy body, that thou wilt be wise in taking care of it, that thou might not have thy years cut short and be prevented from performing the great work which our Heavenly Father has for thee to do. I bless thee in thy limbs, that they may retain their strength, and that thy heart may become strong, to purify and cleanse the blood that flows through thy body, that thou might enjoy health and strength and vigor of mind and be able to go wherever thou shalt desire, to fulfill every duty that thou shalt be called to perform.

I bless thee, dear sister, with a determination to continue to call upon thy Heavenly Father. Thou knowest how He has blessed thee in answer to thy supplications. He loves His children when they come unto Him and make known their wants. Seek Him often, and every desire of thy heart that is good for thee, if thou will pray for it, shall be given unto thee. As the years gather round thee, thou shalt have joy in all thy efforts to live nearer the Lord. No problem shall come into thy life to vex thee or to disturb thy peace of mind, for our Heavenly Father will remember thee in much mercy, and give thee wisdom through His Holy Spirit to solve every difficult situation. Therefore, trust in Him, and He will deliver thee from every trouble.

Thou wilt live long in the earth, even as long as thou shalt desire and so long as life is pleasing and agreeable unto thee, and thou art able to accomplish every labor in righteousness.

I bless thee in thy home, that the sweet influences of our Heavenly Father's spirit may love to abide there, to encourage thee and to strengthen thee and to enlighten thy mind, that thou might be able to accomplish all things that are for thy best good.

I say unto thee, dear sister, be wise in every movement thou shalt make in any temporal undertaking. Do not engage in any venture unless thou shalt first go to thy Heavenly Father and ask Him for direction and wisdom and inspiration, that thou might do the things that will be for thy best good. If thou wilt do this, our Heavenly Father will give thee inspiration and guidance and thou shalt avoid the mistakes of thy natural judgment.

Continue to take delight in laboring in the work of God and being faithful to thy covenants and obligations. Be a student of the doctrines and principles contained in the inspired works that have been given in this generation, for many shall come unto thee to inquire concerning this great work of the Lord and through thy prayers and thy gifts, and the intelligence with which the Lord has blessed thee, and the inspiration of His Holy Spirit thou will be able to explain the doctrines of this church to the convincing of many of the honest in heart.

I seal every blessing upon thee that is for thy good, and reseal upon thee all thy former blessings. I seal thee up against the temptations that are in the earth, with an assurance that the things that are taking place with the nations of the earth are according to the plans of our Heavenly Father, for He has decreed that these things shall take place, that the earth might be prepared for the coming of His Son to rule and reign over the earth as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

These are thy blessings for thy faithfulness. I seal them upon thee in the authority I hold, and seal thee up to eternal life, with power to come forth in the morning of the first resurrection, clothed with glory, immortality and eternal life, to reign as a queen and a priestess to thy companion, and thy posterity, in the eternal presence of our Heavenly Father, forever and forever. All of which I do in the authority I hold as a Patriarch, and in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

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