

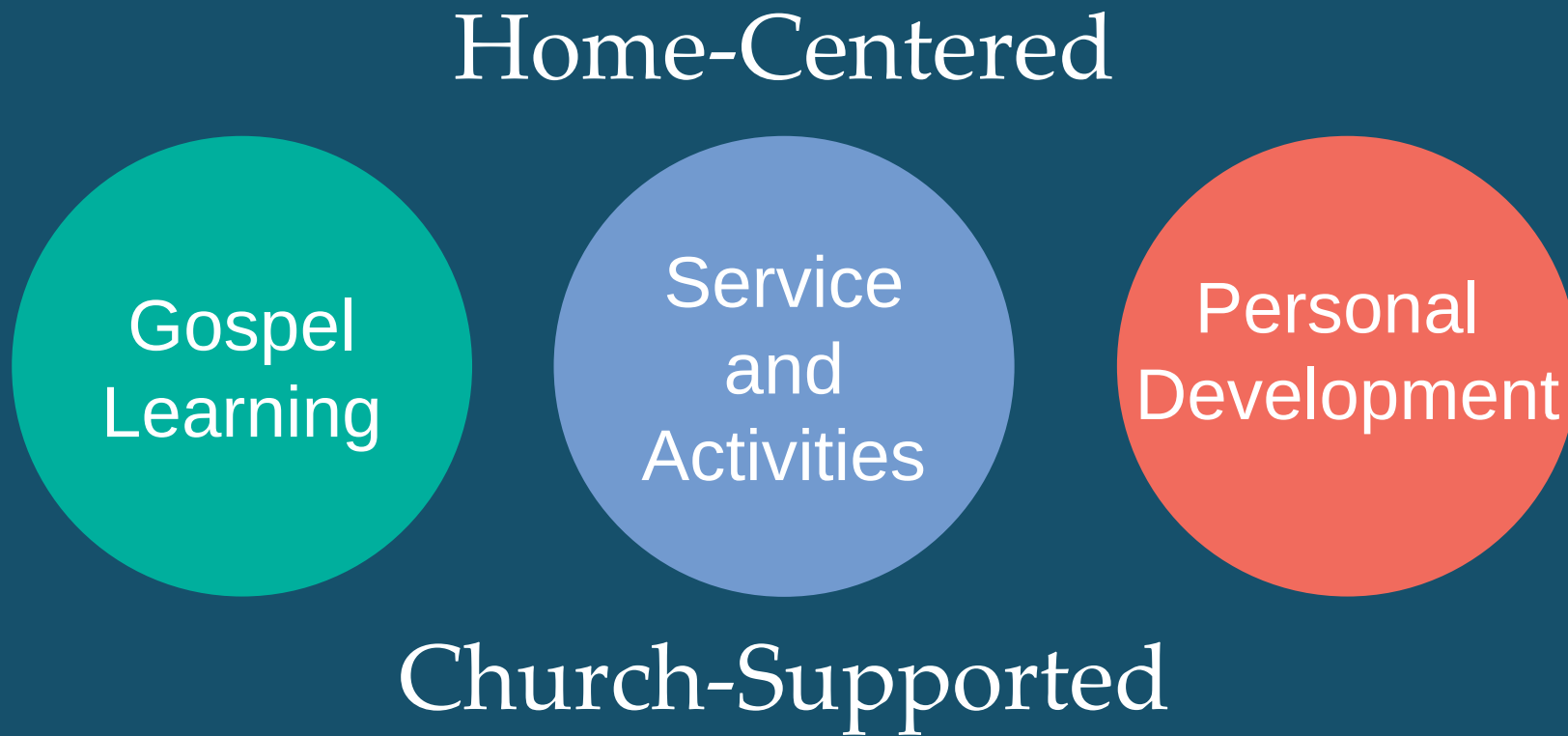
Strengthening YSAs, RMs and Newly Married Couples

Given you own experience, including with your own families, what are some of the ways we can strengthen the faith and commitment to live the gospel among YSAs, RMs, and newly married couples?

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- Simplify church experience, focusing primarily on discipleship, service, and personal conversion.
- Teach doctrine, including the importance of temple marriage and family.
- Emphasize the importance of listening and responding to questions, doubts, and concerns.
- Continue to address social issues and other matters of concern to this generation.

Children and Youth Program and Activities



What Can Parents Do?



- Have meaningful time with each child.
- Have fun with family goals.
- Have family councils and let children and youth lead in planning family service and activities.
- Discuss with each child and youth how he or she wants to grow through personal development.
- See handout for more ideas

What Can Primary Leaders and Teachers Do?



- Talk with parents to understand how to support them.
- Use technology and creative ways to connect with each child and class.
- Find ways to help children serve each other and their families.
- See handout for more ideas.

Relative to Strengthening Youth, What Can Leaders Do?



- Engage youth in the work of salvation and exaltation, as taught by President Russell M. Nelson, especially through quorum and class presidency meetings and ward youth council.
- Spend meaningful time orienting and mentoring class and quorum presidencies, helping them identify and minister to youth and their needs.
- Visit with parents regularly.
- See handout for more ideas.

Month of January

Essential Ward-Level Actions

- Visit the Primary class of children turning eight and welcome them to Children and Youth.
- Interview young men and perform priesthood ordinations.
- Interview youth for limited-use temple recommends.
- Organize Young Women classes.
- As needed, call new quorum and class presidencies. Set them apart and orient them.
- Begin holding presidency meetings and ward youth councils with new presidencies.
- Update the above, as needed, in Leader and Clerk Resources.