

Blanding, Utah
March 14, 1937

A Patriarchal Blessing given by Benjamin Daniel Black upon the head of Julian Asa Laws, son of Julian Asa Laws and Lucy Johnson Laws. Born at Diaz, Old Mexico, May 9, 1910.

Dear Brother, in the name of Jesus Christ I lay my hands upon your head and give unto you a blessing according to your desire. Thou art of the lineage of Ephraim through the loins of thy father, and the Lord has sent you here in this Gospel Dispensation so that you may come to a full realization of the work that he has established here upon the earth and he has a great work for you to perform, which work shall bring you back into the presence of the Father and His Son, Jesus Christ.

You had a full understanding of the Gospel before coming here and you desired to come to prove to God, our Father, that you were willing to forget all your past experience and again prove to Him that you would be steadfast and firm in the things that He required at your hands.

Dear brother, remember that this is Life Eternal to know God and His Son, Jesus Christ, whom He has sent, and this shall be your reward for your labor and the work that you shall perform for the Lord will give you a testimony that will drive out all doubt and bring into your soul peace and joy, and every act that you perform in this Church shall bring joy into your heart and this shall be added upon from day to day and when you think about these things, no doubt can or will come to disturb you but you shall be made to say "great and glorious is the work of the Lord."

Every opportunity of your life bear your testimony to the truthfulness of the Gospel, divinely established through Joseph Smith, the Prophet, and this shall be a help in your life and a stay and a comfort which shall anchor you in the truth. You shall become an ambassador for Jesus Christ in helping to establish His work here in the earth. You shall make yourself acquainted with the scriptures, study them every opportunity you have and your intellect shall be strengthened and your understanding shall be quickened and the Lord shall give you faith so that whatever you ask in His name desiring to do good shall be granted unto you for your heart shall be single in serving God.

You shall make His work first and foremost in your life and you shall become a mighty instrument in His hands, helping to bring about His mighty purposes.

You shall be know far and wide for the good work you shall perform. You shall be a peacemaker, and an establisher of truth and the spirit of the Lord shall go before you and your influence shall be for good the world over.

Dear Brother, I seal upon your head life and health and power to go forth and perform your mission in mortality in a right and pleasing way before the Lord, and seal upon your head a crown of Celestial Glory with Eternal Life, Eternal progress and I seal you up against the power of the destroyer that you may perform this work with an eye single to the glory of God and this shall be done and all come to pass through your faithfulness in the name of Jesus Christ,
Amen.

(signed) B. D. Black