Find Your Family Names
A FIRST-TIME GUIDE

FIND your family names

1. Go to FamilySearch.org/findnames and sign in.

2. See which path you should follow:
   - **NONE** of my parents, grandparents, or great-grandparents are in the family tree.
   - **SOME** of my parents, grandparents, or great-grandparents are in the family tree.
   - **MANY** generations of my family tree are complete.

3. Click the Start button.

4. Do you have information in your My Family: Stories That Bring Us Together booklet that you would like to use to start building your family tree?
   - **YES**
     - Click Yes. Begin adding information about yourself and your parents, grandparents, or great-grandparents.
   - **NO**
     - Click No. Add any missing information about your parents, grandparents, or great-grandparents.

5. Select the Exit booklet capture tool link, and then click the Yes, continue button.

6. Explore your tree to look for green temple icons.

7. Click the View Opportunities button and look for green temple icons.

Click on a green temple icon.

Then click Request to reserve the ordinances for that family member, or follow the on-screen instructions.

If the Request button is missing, you may have found a name that already exists on your tree. Try working on this name when you have more experience.

If you have problems or are unsure about what to do, go to FamilySearch.org/ask/help.
TAKE your family names to the temple

1. Go to the Temple menu, and select All Reserved.
2. Select the box of the ancestor for whom you want to perform ordinances. Click the Print button.
3. Select Print Family Ordinance Cards to print the ordinance card at home. Select Print an FOR to print a Family Ordinance Request to bring to the temple and have the family ordinance cards printed there. Click Continue, and follow the instructions on the screen.
4. Take the name to the temple to perform ordinance work, or share it with a family member.

TEACH your family members and others

Because family history and temple service focuses on families, it is often accomplished most joyfully by families. Follow the steps under Find and Take as a family whenever possible. Share your experiences with other family members and friends. Families who teach one another and serve together will be blessed to form eternal family bonds spanning the past, present, and future.

Ideas to Share

Here are some ways to help others have a personal experience with family history and temple service:

- Share a copy of this resource card to help others find names.
- Use the My Family: Stories That Bring Us Together booklet to encourage people to talk to their families and preserve family stories and photographs.
- Add photos and stories to familysearch.org.
- Use family history to enhance Sabbath day observance.
- Hold a family home evening where you learn about ancestors’ lives.

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