

HOW TO GET STARTED

SUMMARY of the 5 Basic Steps

Getting started with your family history is easy.

Here's a Summary of the 5 Basic Steps—or, as it's commonly known throughout America..."The High Point 5-Step."

☐ **Fill in a Pedigree Chart**☐ **Step 1. Register on *FamilyTree***

— requires your membership # and birthdate

☐ **Step 2. Organize Your Family History Stuff**

- ☐ a) Gather your family history stuff together into one place
- ☐ b) Set up your file folders
— one folder for each couple on your pedigree chart
- ☐ c) Sort your gathered stuff into the right file folders
- ☐ d) Enter your family information into a computer
— either into *FamilyTree* only, or also into a software program
- ☐ e) Set up your Family History Binder

☐ **Step 3. Set Up The Bookmarks (Favorites) On Your Internet Browser**☐ **Step 4. Research Your Family**

- ☐ a) Begin with yourself and your immediate family
- ☐ b) Then ask your parents, grandparents, and other relatives
- ☐ c) Then begin to search the Internet using a handy Checklist
- ☐ d) Then begin your search for original records

☐ **Step 5. Take The Names To The Temple**

*Using the **FamilyTree** website:*

- ☐ a) Start connecting your family
- ☐ b) Check to see who needs temple ordinances
- ☐ c) Select the individuals whose ordinances you want to perform
- ☐ d) Print a Family Ordinance Request*
- ☐ e) Smile! ...and go to the temple and perform the ordinances

**if you don't want to do the work yourself, check a box and the Temple will handle the ordinances (and you're done).*

And, remember, if you get stuck anywhere along the way, we've got fabulous Family History Consultants in each ward to give you all the help you need.