

MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS BAPTIZED BY SEPTEMBER 26, 1830

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On September 26, 1830 at the second conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints it was stated that there were sixty-two members, and that thirty-five of them had joined the church since the first conference on June 9th. This means that from April 6, 1830 to June 9, 1830 there were twenty-seven people who joined the Church, each of whom has been identified for many years, except for two. The complete number of sixty-two members by September 26th has never been identified prior to this article.

Joseph Smith, Jr., Oliver Cowdery, and Samuel H. Smith were all initially baptized on May 15, 1829 (LMS:337). Hyrum Smith was also baptized previously, in June of 1829 at Seneca Lake by his brother Joseph, but on the day the Church was organized, these baptisms were re-done. On April 6th there were eleven individuals who were baptized. The History of the Church (HC1:72,79) identifies ten of them: Joseph Smith, Jr. (1), Oliver Cowdery (2), Hyrum Smith (3), Samuel H. Smith (4), Joseph Smith, Sr. (5), Lucy Mack Smith (6), Martin Harris (7), David Whitmer (8), Peter Whitmer, Jr. (9), and Orrin Porter Rockwell (10). The mother of Orrin Porter Rockwell, Sarah Witt Rockwell (11), was also baptized that day (OPR 18:14). All were confirmed the same day (HC 1:78). Each was probably baptized by Oliver Cowdery, except for himself, who was baptized by Joseph Smith, Jr.

According to the *History of the Church*, the male members were then ordained to the priesthood.

David Whitmer states that there were "about twenty from Colesville at the Peter Whitmer, Sr., home on the day of the organization." (LCP:198) Joseph Knight, Jr., stated definitely that "my father was not there." There were also people from Chenango County, and Seneca County in attendance. (LCP:197).

In the autobiography of Solomon Chamberlain (12), he says: "I was born July 30, 1788 in Old Canaan, Connecticut. . . . When I was twenty years old I went to the house of Philip Haskins and took one of his daughters to wife by the name of Hopee [Hopestill] Haskins. [They were married October 23, 1809 at Panel, Bennington, Vermont.]

By her I had one son and two daughters. . . . The Church was not organized but soon after, April 6, 1830. A few days afterwards] I was baptized in the waters of Seneca Lake by Joseph Smith." (OPH2:599) It is possible that Solomon was baptized between April 8th and April 10th. As nearly all of the baptisms take place on Sunday during these initial months, the fact that he was not part of the group baptized on Sunday, April 11th, points to a date of the 8th, 9th or 10th to qualify for the "few days" noted in his autobiography. He had had to travel from his home in the vicinity of Lyons, Wayne, New York, just north of Fayette, to be baptized, so it was not far.

On April 11th, the first public discourse in the church was preached by Oliver Cowdery. After the meeting, six more members were added to the growing congregation. The group retired to Seneca Lake and there Oliver Cowdery baptized Hiram Page (13) and his wife, Katherine Whitmer (14), and Anne (15), Christian (16), Elizabeth (17), and Jacob Whitmer (18). (HC1:81; HSP:64)

The next Sunday, April 18th, another seven members were added to the Church. These included Elizabeth (19), Vincent (20), and William Jolly (21), Richard Ziba Peterson (22), Peter Whitmer, Sr. (23), his wife Mary Musselman Whitmer (24), and their daughter Elizabeth Ann Whitmer (25). (HC1:81; HSP:77; UGM26:106-107) They were all baptized at Seneca Lake by Oliver Cowdery.

Almira Mack (26), daughter of Stephen Mack and Temperance Bond, was also baptized during this time. She was the niece of Lucy Mack Smith and arrived in May from Pontiac, Michigan for a visit. According to her father's family group record she was baptized in June. (LMS:168: HC1:86-88; FGR Stephen Mack)

After these baptisms, branches of the church were established at Manchester, Wayne County, and Fayette, Seneca County, New York. The Smith home near Manchester was the headquarters for that branch, and the Whitmer home at Fayette was where the branch held its meetings in that place. (HC1:119)

The twenty-seventh member to join the church was Newel Knight (27), who was baptized the "last week of May" (HC1:84) by David Whitmer at Seneca Lake, having traveled from Colesville to the farm of Peter Whitmer, Sr. for that purpose. (LCP:198)

On Wednesday, June 9, 1830, the first conference of the church was held. The members listed previously were there, plus some sixty others either wanting baptism, or investigation the new religion.

The minutes of the meeting indicate that Joseph Smith, Jr., Oliver Cowdery, Peter Whitmer, David Whitmer, John Whitmer, and Richard Ziba Peterson were already Elders, and there is no indication that they were re-ordained. Samuel H. Smith was ordained an Elder by Oliver Cowdery, and Joseph Smith, Sr. and Hyrum Smith were ordained Priests. Martin Harris is noted in the minutes as already being a Priest. Hyrum Page and Christian Whitmer were already Teachers. (LCP:273)

Those desiring baptism that day following the conference were taken to Seneca Lake and baptized by David Whitmer. They were Harriet (28), John (29), and Julia Ann Jolly (30), John Poorman (31), Caroline (32), Electa (33), and Peter Rockwell (34), children of Orin Rockwell, Sr. and Mary Witt, Don Carlos (35), Kate or Catherine (36), and William Smith (37), and Jerusha Barden Smith (38), Hyrum's wife. (HC1:86: OPR:18) After the conference had concluded, the Prophet and his wife Emma, Oliver Cowdery, and John Whitmer left for Colesville, some eighty miles away, to fulfill a promise to Mr. Joseph Knight that they would visit there and preach to those who were interested. Joseph Smith, Jr. had worked for Mr. Knight in 1826 and in November of that year had revealed to his family the vision and appearances of Moroni. He had also traveled there in April of 1830 after the Church was organized, to visit these and other friends.

They arrived sometime Friday or Saturday, the 25th or 26th and began preparations for a Sabbath meeting, erected a dam for performing baptisms, and advised the local population of the meeting. (HC1:86-88) Because the dam was destroyed on Sunday, the first baptisms in the Colesville branch were performed on June 28th, a Monday. Those who were baptized that day by Oliver Cowdery were Emma Hale Smith (39), Hezekiah Peck (40), brother-in-law of Joseph knight, Sr., and his wife, Martha Long (41), Joseph Knight, Sr. (42), his wife Polly Peck (43), and their children Joseph Knight, Jr. (44), and Polly Knight (45), Sally Colburn Knight (46), wife of Newel Knight, Julia

Stringham (47) and her father, William Stringham (48), and his wife Esther Knight (49), a daughter of Joseph Knight, Sr., Aaron Culver (50) and his wife, Ester Knight (51), a sister of Joseph Knight, Sr., and Levi Hall (52). (LCP:22, 301; HC1:88; UGM26:109, 147-148) Family records also indicate that Anna Knight (53), daughter of Joseph Knight, Sr., was baptized this same day. (FGR Joseph Knight, Sr.; LCP:203)

Among those attending the service was Emily Colburn (54), sister of Sally Colburn Knight, Newel's wife. She was at the time living with her brother, Esick Lyon Colburn at Sandford, Broome, New York. She had come to Colesville to try and dissuade her sister from joining the new church. She was forcibly removed by Colesville by her brother-in-law "P.T." through a power of attorney from her father, Amasa Colburn of Guilford, Chenango, New York, as she was under age eighteen. Emily identified her baptism and confirmation as occurring "several months" afterwards, on a Sunday, while visiting her sister in Colesville. (LCP:101) As the Prophet Joseph Smith took a special interest in Emily's case, it is likely that her baptism was on August 29th, the day which had secretly been arranged for Joseph and Hyrum Smith, and John and David Whitmer to confirm those baptized in June.

The third branch of the Church thus became established at Colesville, and was to become a group of men and women who would bond together in a marvelous display of spiritual unity throughout many persecutions during moves to Kirtland and Missouri. Hyrum Smith became the branch president. (HSP:79)

Between June 28th and September 26th, there were eleven members who joined the church, comprising at the time of the second conference, a total of sixty-two members. Based on the limited information found in many scattered sources, these members were as follows: Emily Colburn (54) was baptized at Colesville as noted above. Hopestill Haskins (55), wife of Solomon Chamberlain, although not a documented candidate for this period, seems to have joined shortly after her husband. (OPH2:599; LCP:260)

Parley P. Pratt, (56), who had obtained a copy of the Book of Mormon in lat August of 1830, went to the home of Hyrum Smith and "demanded baptism at his hand." The next day they walked some twenty-five miles to the home of Peter Whitmer, Sr. Parley says, "I found the little branch of the Church in this place full of joy, faith, humility and charity. We rested that night, and on the next day, being

about the 1st of September, 1830, I was baptized by the hand of an Apostle of the Church of Jesus Christ, by the name of Oliver Cowdery. This took place in Seneca Lake. . . . A meeting was held the same evening, and after singing a hymn and prayer, Elder Cowdery and others proceeded to lay their hands upon my head in the name of Jesus, for the gift of the Holy Ghost. After which I was ordained to the office of an Elder in the Church. . . .

“On the next Sabbath I preached to a large concourse of people assembled at the house of a Mr. Burroughs. The Holy Ghost came upon me mightily. I spoke the word of God with power, reasoning out of the Scriptures and the Book of Mormon. The people were convinced, overwhelmed in tears, and four heads of families came forward expressing their faith, and were baptized.” (PPP:41-42) Philip Burroughs’ home was on a farm in what is called the Burgh, at Payette. The date of baptism of these four men was most likely the 5th of September, rather than the 12th, as it was over 150 miles to Columbia County, New York, where Parley would baptize his brother Orson on September 19th.

Based on a review of many records, it is supposed that these four men were Philip Burroughs (57), Joseph Coe (58), Calvin W. Stoddard (59), and Thomas B. Marsh (60). (AJ1:74-75; D&C 30:10; FWR:291; HC1:116,126; HSP:66,79; LCP:262; OPJ:10; PPP:42; UGM26:151) The first one belonged to the Fayette branch and the second to the Colesville branch. Calvin Stoddard was a brother-in-law of Joseph Smith and was associated during this early period with the Manchester and Fayette branches, but soon fell away and was excommunicated, re-baptized, and then fell away again, all prior to December 9, 1834, when he received a patriarchal blessing from Joseph Smith, Sr. (UGM26:151)

Thomas Baldwin Marsh, a resident of Palmyra, Ontario, New York, where he had moved to be associated with the Church, was baptized during September of 1820 by David Whitmer in Cayuga Lake and several days later was ordained an Elder. (AJ1:74-75)

On September 6, 1830, Freeborn DeMill (61), husband of Anna Knight DeMill, was baptized by Hyrum Smith and confirmed by Joseph Smith, Jr., at Colesville. (LCP:205) Orson Pratt (62) was baptized on September 19, 1830, as noted above, at Canaan, Columbia, New York, by his brother (OPJ:9; HC1:127)

Besides these official members of the church, it

would be appropriate to also include those who were children that died during this period just prior to the restoration of the church and during the year 1830, who were members of the first families in the church:

An unnamed child (63) of Joseph Smith, Sr. and Lucy Mack, born in 1796 and died shortly thereafter at Tunbridge, Orange, Vermont. (UGM26:102).

Alvin Smith, (64) born February 11, 1798 at Tunbridge, Orange, Vermont, son of Joseph Smith, Sr., and Lucy Mack. He died November 19, 1823 at Palmyra, Wayne, New York. Jesus Christ revealed to Joseph Smith, Jr. that Alvin was an heir of the Celestial Kingdom. (D&C137:5-7; UGM26:102)

An unnamed child (65) of Newel K. Knight and Sally Colburn was born 1826 in Broome County, New York. (AJ1:774)

Alva Smith (66), son of Joseph Smith, Jr. and Emma Hale, born June 15, 1828 at Harmony (now Oakland, Susquehanna, Pennsylvania, and died the same day. He is buried in the McCune Cemetery at Oakland. (UGM26:101)

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF THE FIRST MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

1. JOSEPH SMITH, JR.

Born 23 Dec 1805 at Sharon, Windsor, Vermont, the son of Joseph Smith, Sr., and Lucy Mack. Married 18 Jan 1827 at South Bainbridge (now Afton), Chenango, New York to Emma Hale. Received the Aaronic Priesthood from John the Baptist on 15 May 1829 and was baptized that day for the remission of sins by Oliver Cowdery in the Susquehanna River near Harmony (now Oakland), Susquehanna, Pennsylvania. Died on 27 Jun 1844 at Carthage, Hancock, Illinois. (UGM26:101-2; D&C 13)

2. OLIVER COWDERY

Born 3 Oct 1806 at Wells, Rutland, Vermont, the son of William Cowdery and Rebecca Fuller. Assisted in the translation of the Book of Mormon. Received the Aaronic Priesthood from John the Baptist on 15 May 1829, and was baptized that day for the remission of sins by Joseph Smith, Jr. in the Susquehanna River near Harmony (now Oakland), Susquehanna, Pennsylvania. One of the Three Witnesses of

the Book of Mormon. One of the six original members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints on 6 Apr 1830. Baptized that day by Joseph Smith, Jr. Mission to Missouri in 1831. Married 18 Dec 1832 in Jackson County, Missouri to Elizabeth Ann Whitmer. Returned to Kirtland in 1833 to direct printing office. Ordained Assistant President of the church in 1834. Mission to Eastern States in 1836. Received the sealing keys in the Kirtland Temple along with Joseph Smith, Jr. in 1836. Excommunicated 12 Apr 1838. Rebaptized 12 Nov 1848 at Kaneshville, Iowa. Died 3 Mar 1850 at Richmond, Ray, Missouri. (HC1:32,39,77; KEQ:78; UGM26:106)

3. SAMUEL HARRISON SMITH

Born 13 Mar 1808 at Tunbridge, Orange, Vermont, son of Joseph Smith, Sr. and Lucy Mack. Baptized 25 May 1829 for the remission of sins by Oliver Cowdery at Harmony (now Oakland), Susquehanna, Pennsylvania. One of the Eight Witnesses to the Book of Mormon. One of the six original members of the church, organized at Fayette, Seneca, New York on 6 Apr 1830. Rebaptized that day by Oliver Cowdery at Seneca Lake. Married (1) 13 Aug 1834 to Mary Bailey. Married (2) 29 Apr 1841 to Levira Clark. Died 30 Jul 1844 at Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois as president of the High Priests Quorum. (UGM26:102-103)

4. HYRUM SMITH

Born 9 Feb 1800 at Tunbridge, Orange, Vermont, son of Joseph Smith, Sr. and Lucy Mack. Married (1) 2 Nov 1826 at Manchester, Ontario, New York to Jerusha Barden. Initially baptized for the remission of sins in June of 1829 by Joseph Smith, Jr. at Seneca Lake, Fayette, New York. First president of the Colesville Branch, Broome County, New York. Ordained a High Priest 6 Jun 1831. Chosen as second counselor in the First Presidency of the church 7 Nov 1837. Married (2) 24 Dec 1837 at Kirtland, Lake, Ohio to Mary Fielding. Ordained Presiding Patriarch of the Church 24 Jan 1841. Died 27 Jun 1844 at Carthage, Hancock, Illinois. (UGM26:102)

5. JOSEPH SMITH, SR.

Born 12 Jul 1771 at Topsfield, Essex, Massachusetts, son of Asael Smith and Mary Duty. Married 24 Jan 1796 at Tunbridge, Orange, Vermont to Lucy Mack. Baptized 6 Apr 1830 at Seneca Lake, Fayette, Seneca, New York by Oliver Cowdery. Ordained as Presiding Patriarch of the Church 18 Dec 1833. Died 14 Sep 1840 at Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois. (UGM26:101)

6. LUCY MACK

Born 8 Jul 1775 at Gilsum, Cheshire, New Hampshire, daughter of Solomon Mack and Lydia Gates. Married 24 Jan 1796 at Tunbridge, Orange, Vermont to Joseph Smith, Sr. Baptized 6 Apr 1830 at Seneca Lake, Fayette, Seneca, New York by Oliver Cowdery. Died 8 May 1855 at Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois. Her decision to remain in Nauvoo when the Saints moved west appears to have been motivated by her desires to care for her children and grandchildren. There is no indication in the records that she ever wavered in her faith. (UGM26:101-102)

7. MARTIN HARRIS

Born 18 May 1783 at Easttown, Saratoga, New York, the son of Nathan Harris and Rhoda Lapham. He moved to Palmyra, Wayne, New York with his parents when he was nine years old. He furnished \$3,000 towards the printing of the first edition of the Book of Mormon. He was one of the Three Witnesses to the Book of Mormon. He married (1) Lucy Harris. Baptized 6 Apr 1830 at Seneca Lake, Fayette, Seneca, New York by Oliver Cowdery. His first wife died in 1836 at Palmyra, Wayne, New York. He married (2) in 1837, Caroline Young, niece of Brigham Young. He lived at Kirtland, Lake, Ohio until 1870 when he emigrated to Utah. Died 10 Jul 1875 at Clarkston, Cache, Utah. (AJ1:271-276; UGM26:107-108)

8. DAVID WHITMER

Born 7 Jan 1805 at a small trading post near Harrisburg, Dauphin, Pennsylvania, son of Peter Whitmer, Sr. and Mary Musselman. As a child he moved with his parents to western New York and settled on a farm in Ontario County, at a point midway between the northern extremities of Cayuga and Seneca Lakes, two miles from Waterloo, seven from Geneva, and twenty-five from Palmyra. "I first heard of what is now termed Mormonism, in the year 1828. I made a business trip to Palmyra, New York, and while there stopped with one Oliver Cowdery." David was instrumental in assisting Joseph Smith in moves and facilities for translating the Book of Mormon. In June 1829 was baptized by Joseph Smith in Seneca Lake. One of the Three Witnesses of the Book of Mormon. One of the six original members of the church, organized at Fayette, Seneca, New York on 6 Apr 1830. Rebaptized that day by Oliver Cowdery at Seneca Lake. After the first conference of the church on 9 Jun 1830, David baptized John Poorman, John Jolly, Julia Anne Jolly, Harriet Jolly, Jerusha Barden Smith, Catherine Smith, William Smith, Don Carlos Smith, Peter Rockwell, Caroline Rockwell, and Electa Rockwell at Seneca Lake. Ordained High Priest at Orange, Cuyahogo, Ohio on 25 Oct 1831 by Oliver Cowdery. Soon after this

moved to Jackson County, Missouri, and located on the Big Blue River, three miles east of the present town of Westport. On 3 Jul 1834, appointed president of the High Council at Clay County, Missouri. Later was sustained as the President of the Church in Missouri. Rejected as president at a conference on 5 Feb 1838. Excommunicated by the High Council at Far West 13 Apr 1838. Moved to Richmond, Clay, Missouri where he lived until his death. Never denied his testimony of the Book of Mormon. Died at Richmond 25 Jan 1888. (AJ1:263-271,282; HC1:48,51,76,86; UGM26:107)

9. PETER WHITMER, JR.

Born 27 Sep 1809 at Fayette, Seneca, New York, son of Peter Whitmer, Sr. and Mary Musselman. Baptized in June of 1829 by Oliver Cowdery for the remission of sins. One of the Eight Witnesses of the Book of Mormon. Missionary to the Lamanites in 1830. Assisted in the beginnings of the church at Kirtland. Traveled to Jackson County, Missouri in 1831 on his mission and remained there until arrival of Joseph Smith in July. Ordained a High Priest 25 Oct 1831 by Oliver Cowdery. He took sick and died on a farm about two miles from Liberty, Clay, Missouri on 22 Sep 1836 and was buried beside his brother, Christian, who had died about ten months earlier. He was married and had three daughters at his death. His wife and children left the church and have not been properly identified to date. They remained in Kansas and Missouri. (D&C:32; AJ1:277; UGM26:107)

10. ORRIN PORTER ROCKWELL

Born 28 Jun 1813 at Belcher, Hampshire, Massachusetts, son of Orin Rockwell and Sarah Witt, the second of nine children. When he was four, the family moved to Manchester, New York. Two years later, in 1819, the Smiths moved in Manchester and settled a mile from the Rockwells. The families became friends and the Rockwells were among the first to listen to the Book of Mormon stories in 1829 as Joseph Smith related them to his family and others. Baptized on the day the Church was organized, 6 Apr 1830, probably by Oliver Cowdery. Accompanied his parents to Jackson County, Missouri in 1831 and located in the district of the Big Blue River. Married (1) 2 Feb 1832 to Luana Beebe, as the first marriage to take place among the Missouri Mormons in Jackson County. Although she joined the church, she did not accompany Orrin at the Exodus. She was with him, however, through the Missouri and Nauvoo trials. Married (2) Mary Ann Neff. Married (3) Christine Olsen. Died 9 Jun 1878 at Salt Lake City, Utah. (OPR:14-16, 20; UGM1:154-156)

11. SARAH WITT

Born 9 Sep 1785 at Belcher, Hampshire, Massachusetts, daughter of Ivory Witt and Abigail Montague. She married Orin Rockwell about 1811 and in 1817 they moved to Manchester, New York, settling just a mile from where the Smiths would settle two years later. Sarah was the mother of nine children, four of whom joined the church with her in the first months of its organization. Sarah was baptized on the day the church was organized, being one of the first eleven to accept the restored gospel. She was probably baptized by Oliver Cowdery, although one source states that Joseph Smith, Jr. performed the ordinance. Accompanied her husband to Jackson County, Missouri in 1831 and located in the district of the Big Blue River. Her husband was baptized in Missouri. In Nauvoo she performed baptisms for forty-five of her deceased relatives and those of her husband. She settled with her husband in the Nauvoo 1st Ward where he died shortly after their arrival. (NAU1:12; OPR:15,18; UGM26:153-154)

12. SOLOMON CHAMBERLAIN

Born 30 Jul 1788 at Old Canaan, Litchfield, Connecticut, son of Joel Chamberlain and Sarah Dean, one of six sons and three daughters. On 23 Oct 1809 he married Hopestill Haskins and had by her one son and two daughters. He was a cooper by trade. In his autobiography he states he was baptized "a few days" after the Church was organized. However, he also states that he immigrated that same spring to Kirtland. One of these two statements is incorrect. The New York Saints did not leave for Kirtland until late 1830 and early 1831. From Kirtland his family moved to Jackson County, Missouri. In records found there, his wife is given as Electa, and his children as Alonzo, Polly, and Electa. Later he states that the "wife of my youth died at Winter Quarters," but he says in the same breath that he is "now alone except for my little daughter eight years old." This shows a second marriage. In Nauvoo he was living alone with his daughter Polly in the 2nd ward in 1842. In fact, before his wife Hopestill or Electa died 12 Jan 1847, he was sealed (2) 15 Jan 1846 at Nauvoo to Emeline Shepherd Waterman. He married (3) in 1846 or 1847 to Teresa Morse. (MLP:100; NAU1:35; OPH2:599)

13. HIRAM PAGE

Born in the state of Vermont in 1800, little has been learned of his earlier life. He became a physician, traveling through New York and Canada before locating in Seneca County, New York. Here he married Katherine Whitmer 10 Nov 1825. He became one of the Eight Witnesses to the Book of Mormon. He and his wife were baptized by Oliver Cowdery at Seneca Lake on 11 Apr

1830. They moved to Kirtland in 1831 and to Jackson County, Missouri in 1832. During the persecutions in Jackson County, Hiram was brutally whipped by the mob. In 1836 he was one of the settlers at Far West. In 1838 he left the church and moved to Ray County. He died near the present site of Exelsior Springs, some fourteen miles northwest of Richmond, 12 Aug 1852. He and Katherine were the parents of nine children. (AJ1:277-278; HC1:81; UGM26:151)

14. KATHERINE WHITMER

Born 22 Apr 1807 at Fayette, Seneca, New York, daughter of Peter Whitmer, Sr., and Mary Musselman. She married Hiram Page 10 Nov 1825. She and her husband were baptized by Oliver Cowdery at Seneca Lake on 11 Apr 1830. They moved to Kirtland in 1831 and to Jackson County, Missouri in 1832. In 1836 she was one of the settlers at Far West. In 1838 she left the church and moved to Ray County with her husband. She spent her life at their farmsite near modern-day Exelsior Springs, some fourteen miles northwest of Richmond. She was the mother of nine children. (AJ1:277-278; HC1:81; UGM26:151)

15. ANNE SCHOTT

Anne Schott was probably born at Fayette, Seneca, New York about 1804. She was the daughter of Frederick Schott and his wife Anne. They had moved from the vicinity of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania in 1802 to Fayette. Anne married Christian Whitmer on 22 Feb 1825 in Seneca County. Anne was baptized on 11 Apr 1830 at Seneca Lake by Oliver Cowdery, along with her husband. Moved to Ohio and then Missouri in 1831, settling in Jackson County. From there the couple moved to Clay County where Anne's husband died 27 Nov 1835. After this Anne returned to New York to live with her parents. She married (2) Francis Hulett, but later divorced him. She died in Seneca County, New York. There is no indication in any records of any children being born to Anne and Christian. (AJ1:276; LCP:226,229; UGM26:107)

16. CHRISTIAN WHITMER

Born 18 Jan 1798 in Pennsylvania, near Harrisburg, the eldest son of Peter Whitmer, Sr., and Mary Musselman. Moved with his family about 1809 to what was then Washington, Seneca, New York. Christian married Anne Schott on 22 Feb 1825 in Seneca County. He was one of the Eight Witnesses of the Book of Mormon. He was baptized on 11 Apr 1830 at Seneca Lake by Oliver Cowdery, along with his wife. As early as June, 1830, he held the office of Teacher in the church. Moved to Ohio and then Missouri in 1831, settling in Jackson County. He was

ordained an Elder some time in 1831. By 15 Sep 1832, at a council meeting in Jackson County, he was appointed to preside over the Elders in that county. The following year, on 21 Aug 1833, he was ordained a High Priest. From Jackson County the couple moved to Clay County where Christian died 27 Nov 1835 as a result of an ugly sore on his leg that would not heal. There is no indication that he had any children. (AJ1:276; HC1:48,81,407; 2:357; LCP:225; UGM26:107)

17. ELIZABETH SCHOTT

Elizabeth Schott was probably born at Fayette, Seneca, New York about 1805. She was the daughter of Frederick Schott and his wife Anne. They had moved from the vicinity of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania in 1802 to Fayette. Elizabeth married Jacob Whitmer on 29 Sep 1825 in Seneca County. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Aaron D. Lane, minister of the Presbyterian Church at Waterloo. They were the parents of nine children. Elizabeth was baptized on 11 Apr 1830 at Seneca Lake by Oliver Cowdery, along with her husband. Moved to Ohio and then Missouri in 1831, settling in Jackson County. After the mob drove the Saints out of Jackson County, Elizabeth and her husband lived in Clay and Caldwell counties until 1838 when they left the church and moved to Richmond, Ray County, Missouri where they spent the remainder of their lives. (LCP:226,229; UGM26:107)

18. JACOB WHITMER

Born 27 Jan 1800 in Pennsylvania, near Harrisburg, the second son of Peter Whitmer, Sr., and Mary Musselman. Moved with his family about 1809 to what was then Washington, Seneca, New York. Jacob married Elizabeth Schott on 29 Sep 1825 in Seneca County. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Aaron D. Lane, minister of the presbyterian Church at Waterloo. They were the parents of nine children. He was one of the Eight Witnesses of the Book of Mormon. He was baptized on 11 Apr 1830 at Seneca Lake by Oliver Cowdery, along with his wife. Moved to Ohio and then Missouri in 1831, settling in Jackson County. After the mob drove the Saints out of Jackson County, Jacob and his wife lived in Clay and Caldwell counties until 1838 when they left the church and moved to Richmond, Ray County, Missouri where they spent the remainder of their lives. He died 21 Apr 1856. He belonged to the Whitmer Faction or the Church of Christ, which believed some of the doctrines of the original church established by Joseph Smith, but rejected others. He always maintained his testimony of the Book of Mormon. (AJ1:276-277; HC1:58,81; LCP:225,229; UGM26:107)

19. ELIZABETH JOLLY

Baptized 11 Apr 1830 by Oliver Cowdery at Seneca Lake. She was probably the wife of William Jolly. They belonged to either the Fayette or Manchester branch, but did not leave New York with the rest of the Saints for Kirtland. (HC1:81; LCP:229)

20. VINCENT JOLLY

Baptized 11 Apr 1830 by Oliver Cowdery at Seneca Lake. He was probably the son of William and Elizabeth Jolly. The family belonged to either the Fayette or Manchester branch, but did not leave New York with the rest of the Saints for Kirtland. (HC1:81; LCP:29)

21. WILLIAM JOLLY

Baptized 11 Apr 1830 by Oliver Cowdery at Seneca Lake. He was probably the husband of Elizabeth Jolly. They belonged to either the Fayette or Manchester branch, but did not leave New York with the rest of the Saints for Kirtland. (HC1:81; LCP:229)

22. RICHARD ZIBA PETERSON

Baptized 18 Apr 1830 by Oliver Cowdery at Seneca Lake. Ordained as an Elder prior to the first conference of the church on 9 Jun 1830. He was not in the list of Elders attending the second conference on 26 Sep 1830. Called as a missionary in October of 1830 to preach to the Lamanites. In May of 1831 he was in Missouri with Oliver Cowdery, preaching to the Lamanites. In August of 1831 he was chastized by the Lord for hiding his sins, but is listed with the Elders in good standing on 4 Aug 1831 at the special conference held in Kaw township, Jackson County. In that conference he confessed his transgressions to the satisfaction of the church and was approved by unanimous vote. In 1833 he was delivered over to the buffetings of Satan by the First Presidency, "that he may learn not to transgress the commandments of God." He is not with the Mormons after the Missouri period. (D&C 32:3; 58:60; FWR:1,9; HC1:367; HSP:91)

23. PETER WHITMER, SR.

Born 14 Apr 1773 in Pennsylvania. Married Mary Musselman. Baptized 18 Apr 1830 at Seneca Lake, Fayette, Seneca, New York by Oliver Cowdery. He withdrew from the church in 1838. Died 12 Aug 1854 at Richmond, Ray, Missouri. (UGM26:106-107)

24. MARY MUSSELMAN

Born 27 Aug 1778 at Strasburg, Germany. Married Peter Whitmer, Sr. Baptized 18 Apr 1830 at Seneca Lake, Fayette, Seneca, New York by Oliver

Cowdery. Died January 1856 at Richmond, Ray, Missouri. (UGM26:107)

25. ELIZABETH ANN WHITMER

Born 22 Jan 1815 at Fayette, Seneca, New York, daughter of Peter Whitmer, Sr. and Mary Musselman. Baptized 18 Apr 1830 at Seneca Lake, Fayette, Seneca, New York by Oliver Cowdery. Married 18 Dec 1832 in Jackson County, Missouri to Oliver Cowdery. Died 7 Jan 1892. (UGM26:106)

26. ALVIRA OR ALMIRA MACK

Born 28 Apr 1805 at Tunbridge, Orange, Vermont, a daughter of General Stephen Mack and Temperance Bond, and a niece to Lucy Mack Smith. Her father was one of the finest merchants of Detroit, also at Pontiac, Michigan, where he left a large estate. Alvira arrived at the Smith home in May of 1830 and was baptized in June. In June of the following year, Alvira and Lucy accompanied Hyrum Smith to Detroit where the gospel was offered to the family, but rejected. She married Benjamin Covey and was the mother of four children born in Missouri and Nauvoo. Alvira died 10 Mar 1886 at Salt Lake City. (HSP:88-89; MLO:131; NAU1:43; UGM26:156)

27. NEWEL K. KNIGHT

Born 13 Sep 1800 at Marlborough, Windham, Vermont, the son of Joseph Knight, Sr. and Polly Peck. In 1809 moved with his parents first to Bainbridge, Chenango County, and then to Colesville, Broome, New York. Married (1) 7 Jun 1825 to Sally Colburn. Baptized in the first week of May 1830 at Seneca Lake, Fayette, Seneca, New York by David Whitmer, having traveled from Colesville for that purpose. Served mission to Western New York 1830-1831. Moved to Thompson, Lake, Ohio in May of 1831 with the Colesville Branch. Led this branch to Jackson County, Missouri in the summer of 1831. Moved to Clay County, Missouri in 1833. Member of the high council there in July of 1834. Arrived at Kirtland in spring of 1835 and participated at the dedication of the temple. Married (2) by Joseph Smith, Jr., on Tuesday, 24 Nov 1835 at Kirtland, Lake, Ohio to Lydia Goldthwaite. Returned to Missouri 6 May 1836. Member of high council at Far West. To Nauvoo in 1839. Served on Nauvoo high council. Exodus in 1846 with Bishop George Miller's Company to Ponca, Knox County, Nebraska. There he died on 11 Jan 1847. (AJ2:773-775; BOP:19; HC1:84; 2:32; 4:12,505; 6:229; KEQ:90; LCP:198-199; NAU1:76; MEM:8; MMH:93-94; PKO:43,107,118; UPB36:53)

28. HARRIET JOLLY

Baptized 9 Jun 1830 at Seneca Lake by David Whitmer. She was probably the daughter of William Jolly. It does not appear that she left New York with the migration to Kirtland and Missouri. There was a Harriett Jolly in Missouri, daughter of John Jolly, but this is probably her niece. (HC1:86; MLO:125)

29. JOHN JOLLY

Baptized 9 Jun 1830 at Seneca Lake by David Whitmer. He was probably a son of William Jolly. According to records in Missouri, there was a John Jolly with a wife Julia Ann, and a daughter Harriet, that may be this John. It does not appear that John left Missouri with the Mormons in 1838-1839, for whatever reason. (HC1:86; MLO:125)

30. JULIA ANN JOLLY

She was the daughter of William Jolly and his wife. Baptized 9 Jun 1830 at Seneca Lake by David Whitmer. She married 9 Jan 1831 in Seneca County to David Whitmer. She was the mother of David J. Whitmer and Julia A. Whitmer, born in Missouri and Ohio. She remained with her husband in Missouri after the Mormons moved to Illinois, and died there apparently. (LCP:229; PKO:75)

31. JOHN POORMAN

Baptized 9 Jun 1830 at Seneca Lake by David Whitmer following the first conference of the church. Married Mary Nancy Davis, also known as Nancy Bancroft. Moved west with the Saints from New York to Ohio, probably in the spring of 1831. In March of 1832, he was involved in fighting a mob of forty to fifty men that tarred the Prophet Joseph Smith during an attack at Hiram, Ohio. In the process, he accidentally mistook Father John Johnson for a mobster and hit him, breaking his collar bone. David Whitmer laid his hands upon Father Johnson and healed him immediately. John Poorman and his wife, Nancy, were with the Saints in the Missouri period, but have not been found in records after that date. (FGR; HC1:86,263-264; MLO:142; MS26:835)

32. CAROLINE ROCKWELL

Born about 1817 either at Belcher, Hampshire, Massachusetts, or at Manchester, Ontario, New York, daughter of Orin Rockwell and Sarah Witt. Baptized 9 Jun 1830, the day of the first conference of the church by David Whitmer in Seneca Lake. She belonged to the Fayette Branch until the family moved to Ohio and Missouri in 1831. Settled with her parents in Jackson County in the Big

Blue River district. (FGR, Orin Rockwell; HC1:86; OPR:15,18; UGM26:153-154)

33. ELECTA ROCKWELL

Born about 1819 at Manchester, Ontario, New York, daughter of Orin Rockwell and Sarah Witt. Baptized 9 Jun 1830, the day of the first conference of the church by David Whitmer in Seneca Lake. She belonged to the Fayette Branch until the family moved to Ohio and Missouri in 1831. Settled with her parents in Jackson County in the Big Blue River district. (FGR, Orin Rockwell; HC1:86; OPR:15,18; UGM26:153-154)

34. PETER ROCKWELL

Born about 1815 at Belcher, Hampshire, Massachusetts, son of Orin Rockwell and Sarah Witt. Baptized 9 Jun 1830, the day of the first conference of the church by David Whitmer in Seneca Lake. He belonged to the Fayette Branch until the family moved to Ohio and Missouri in 1831. Settled with his parents in Jackson County in the Big Blue River district. (FGR, Orin Rockwell; HC1:86; OPR:15,18; UGM26:153-154)

35. DON CARLOS SMITH

Born 25 Mar 1816 at Norwich, Windsor, Vermont, son of Joseph Smith, Sr. and Lucy Mack. Baptized 9 Jun 1830 at Seneca Lake, Fayette, Seneca, New York by David Whitmer. Married 30 Jul 1835 at Kirtland, Lake, Ohio to Agnes Moulton Coolbrith. Ordained President of the High Priest Quorum in 1836. Served a mission in Tennessee in 1838. Died 7 Aug 1841 at Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois. (HC1:86; 2:370; 3:252; 4:189,393-399; NAU1:87,93; SFH:55; UGM26:102)

36. CATHERINE SMITH

Born 28 Jul 1813 at Lebanon, Grafton, New Hampshire, daughter of Joseph Smith, Sr. and Lucy Mack. Baptized 9 Jun 1830 by David Whitmer at Seneca Lake after the first conference of the church. Married 8 Jan 1831 at Kirtland, Lake, Ohio to Wilkins Jenkins Salisbury. Had four children. After the Mormon Exodus, they lived at Plymouth and Webster, both in Hancock County. Died 1 Feb 1900 at Fountain Green, Hancock, Illinois. (HC1:2,86; 4:189; 5:247; *History of Hancock County*, p. 124; UGM26:102)

37. WILLIAM B. SMITH

Born 13 Mar 1811 at Royalton, Windsor, Vermont. Baptized 9 Jun 1830 at Seneca Lake, Fayette, Seneca, New York, by David Whitmer. Married (1) 14 Feb 1833 to Caroline Amanda Grant, sister of Jedediah M.

Grant. Ordained an Apostle 15 Feb 1835 at Kirtland, Lake, Ohio. Ordained as Patriarch to the church 24 May 1845. Excommunicated 12 Oct 1845. Married (2) about 1846 to Roxie Ann Grant, sister of his first wife. William Smith joined the Strangite movement and was cut off from the church about 1847 for the last time. Married (3) to Eliza Elsie Sanborn. Married (4) in 1889 to Rosanna B. Surprise, a French woman. Died 13 Nov 1893 at Osterdock, Clayton, Iowa. (HC1:2,86,322; 2:185; 4:189; 5:212; 6:343; NAU1:55)

38. JERUSHA BARDEN

Born 15 Feb 1805 at Norfolk, Litchfield, Connecticut, daughter of Seth Barden and Sarah _____. Married 2 Nov 1826 to Hyrum Smith. Baptized 9 Jun 1830 at Seneca Lake, Fayette, Seneca, New York by David Whitmer. Left New York with the early Saints for Ohio in the spring of 1831. Died 13 Oct at Kirtland, Lake, Ohio, shortly after the birth of her sixth child, in full faith and with the knowledge that the Lord was taking her unto himself. (BOP:10; HC2:519; HSP:33-34,39,121,162; OPH4:56; PKO:63; UGM26:102)

39. EMMA HALE

Born 10 Jul 1804 at Harmony (now Oakland), Susquehanna, Pennsylvania, daughter of Isaac Hale and Elizabeth Lewis. Married (1) 18 Jan 1827 at South Bainbridge (now Afton), Chenango, New York to Joseph Smith, Jr. Baptized 28 Jun 1830 at Colesville, Broome, New York by Oliver Cowdery. Accompanied her husband through severe trials in New York, Ohio, Missouri, and Illinois. Became the first president of the Relief Society 17 mar 1842. When the Saints left Nauvoo for the west, Emma elected to stay behind. Prior to that time, she had rejected plural marriage as a doctrine, as well as the counsel of some of the church leaders. Married (2) 27 Dec 1847 at Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois to Lewis Crum Bidamon. Died 30 Apr 1879 at Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois. (EMS; HC1:17,88; PKO:64; UGM26:101)

40. HEZEKIAH PECK

Born 19 Jan 1782 at Guilford, Windham, Vermont, son of Joseph Peck and Elizabeth Read. He removed with his parents to Bainbridge, Chenango, New York where he married (1) Martha Long. Baptized at Colesville, Broome, New York by Oliver Cowdery on 28 Jun 1830, together with his wife. His sister, Polly Peck, was the wife of Joseph Knight, Sr. Hezekiah, along with his brother Ezekiel and their families, moved with the Colesville Branch to Jackson County, Missouri in 1831. After the expulsion from Missouri, he lived in the 3rd Ward

in Nauvoo, and later was made bishop of the 10th Ward. Married (2) 4 Feb 1846, for time only, to Mary Lemon, widow of James Bell. Mary then stood as proxy and Hezekiah had sealed to him as a third wife, for time and eternity, Elizabeth Bell, deceased, born 11 Jun 1826 at Johnstown, Renfrewshire, Scotland. While still in Nauvoo he also served as proxy in baptisms for his parents, grandparents, and a number of his brothers and sisters. Died 25 Aug 1850 in Andrew County, Missouri, en route to the west. (BOP:70; LCP:212; NAU1:62; UGM27:78-79)

41. MARTHA LONG

Born 13 Mar 1788/9 at Wilmington, Windham, Vermont, daughter of Matthew Long and ____Hawes. Married at Bainbridge, Chenango, New York to Hezekiah Peck. Baptized at Colesville, Broome, New York by Oliver Cowdery on 28 Jun 1830, together with her husband. Moved with him and her family with the Colesville Branch to Jackson County, Missouri in 1831. After the expulsion from Missouri, she lived in the 3rd Ward in Nauvoo, and later in the 10th Ward. She received her endowments, along with her husband, on 17 Dec 1845. She was still in Nauvoo as late as 19 Jan 1846. (NAU1:62; NTE:22; UGM27:78-79)

42. JOSEPH KNIGHT, SR.

Born 3 or 26 Nov 1772 at Oakham, Worcester, Massachusetts, son of Benjamin Knight and his wife, Hannah. Married (1) about 1795 to Polly Peck. In 1809 moved to Bainbridge, Chenango, New York and in 1811 to Colesville, Broome, New York. Baptized 28 Jun 1830 at Colesville, Broome, New York, by Oliver Cowdery. Married (2) to Phoebe Crosby, widow of Benjamin Peck. Recorded in the Book of the Law of the Lord as one of those who never waived in his faith. Died 3 Feb 1847 at Mt. Pisgah, Harrison, Iowa. (AJ2:772,773; FGR; UGM26:108)

43. POLLY PECK

Born 6/16 Apr 1774 at Guildford, Essex, Vermont, daughter of Joseph Peck and Elizabeth Read. Married about 1795 to Joseph Knight, Sr. Baptized 28 Jun 1830 at Colesville, Broome, New York by Oliver Cowdery. Died 6 Aug 1831 in Kaw Township, Jackson, Missouri. (UGM26:108-109)

44. JOSEPH KNIGHT, JR.

Born 21 Jun 1808 at Halifax, Windham, Vermont, the son of Joseph knight, Sr. and Polly Peck. Baptized 28 Jun 1830 at Colesville, Broome, New York by Oliver Cowdery. He married (1) 22 Mar 1832 to Betsy Covert. He married (2) 19 Nov 1847 to Adeline Johnson. He

married (3) 5 Apr 1852 to Abba Welden. He married (4) 14 Nov 1852 to Mary Wollerton. Died 3 Nov 1866 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah.

45. POLLY KNIGHT

Born 7 Mar 1811 at Bainbridge, Chenango, New York, daughter of Joseph Knight, Sr. and Polly Peck. Baptized 28 Jun 1830 at Colesville, Broome, New York by Oliver Cowdery. With the Colesville Saints, and her father's family, she moved to Jackson County, Missouri in 1831. After her sister Ester died in Jackson County about 1833, she married Esther's husband, William Stringham. They were the parents of Huron Stringham, born about 1835, and Walter Stringham, born 4 Feb 1837 in Clay County, Missouri. Polly died in Nauvoo 27 Apr 1844. *The Nauvoo Neighbor* gave her death age as 33 years, 1 month, and 20 days. (FGR, Joseph Knight; UGM26:109,148)

46. SALLY COLBURN

Born 1804 at Guilford, Chenango, New York, the daughter of Amasa Colburn and Experience _____. Married 7 Jun 1825 to Newel K. Knight. Baptized 28 Jun 1830 at Colesville, Broome, New York by Oliver Cowdery. Moved to Thompson, Lake, Ohio in May of 1831 with the Colesville Branch. Moved with this branch to Jackson County, Missouri in the summer of 1831. Moved to Clay County, Missouri in 1833. Died 15 Sep 1834 at Turnham's Landing, Gallatin, Clay County, Missouri. (AJ2:773-775; UGM26:109-110)

47. JULIA ANN STRINGHAM

Born 29 Feb 1817 in Broome County, New York, daughter of William Stringham and Esther Knight. Baptized 28 Jun 1830 at Colesville, Broome, New York by Oliver Cowdery. Died 30 Apr 1886. (UGM26:149)

48. WILLIAM STRINGHAM

Born 2 May 1788 at North Hempstead, Queens County, Long Island, New York, son of James Stringham and Martha Willis. His father and grandfather and their families left Long Island about 1805 and settled in Broome County, New York. Married (1) about 1815, Esther Knight, daughter of Joseph Knight, Sr. Baptized 28 Jun 1830 at Colesville, Broome County, New York by Oliver Cowdery. Moved with his family and the Colesville Branch to Jackson County, Missouri in 1831. His wife died there in 1833. He married (2) her sister Polly Knight. They were with the Saints in Clay County, Missouri. After the expulsion from Missouri, they moved to Nauvoo, living in the 2nd Ward. Polly died there 27 Apr 1844. He was endowed 31 Dec 1845 by himself, being a High Priest at that time. On 22 Jan

1846 he had his two wives sealed to him with Eliza Lake, his third wife, standing as proxy. She received her endowments and was sealed to him the same day. (BOP:28, 177-178; NAU1:44; NTE:80; UGM26:146-149)

49. ESTHER KNIGHT

Born 25 Apr 1798 at Marlboro, Windham, Vermont, daughter of Joseph Knight, Sr. and Polly Peck. Married about 1815, William Stringham. Baptized 28 Jun 1830 at Colesville, Broome County, New York by Oliver Cowdery. Moved with her family and the Colesville Branch to Jackson County, Missouri in 1831. She died there in 1833. She was the mother of four children, two girls and two boys, the last being born in 1833 and causing her death. (FGR Joseph Knight, Sr.; BOP:28; UGM26:148-149)

50. AARON CULVER

It is not known what Aaron's origins are. He married Esther Knight, the sister of Joseph Knight, Sr., so it is likely that he was from Vermont. Baptized 28 Jun 1830 at Colesville, Broome County, New York by Oliver Cowdery. His wife moved with her family and the Colesville Branch to Jackson County, Missouri in 1831. Aaron apparently died in the interim. (HC1:88; MLP:104; UGM26:147)

51. ESTHER KNIGHT

Born in Oakham, Worcester, Massachusetts, daughter of Benjamin Knight and his wife, Hannah. She married Aaron Culver. Baptized 28 Jun 1830 at Colesville, Broome County, New York by Oliver Cowdery. She was in Jackson County, Missouri in 1831 without her husband. (HC1:88; MLO:104; UGM26:147)

52. LEVI HALL

Little is known of Levi Hall. The *History of the Church* names him Levi Hale, but research has not found any Hale living in Broome County during that time; however, there is a Levi Hall, and Newel Knight so identifies him. Baptized 28 Jun 1830 at Colesville, Broome County, New York by Oliver Cowdery. No record of him has been found in Ohio, Missouri, or Illinois. He apparently left the church when it left New York. (HC1:88; LCP:202)

53. ANNA KNIGHT

Born 5/6 Mar 1804 at Halifax, Windham, Vermont, daughter of Joseph Knight, Sr. and Polly Peck. She married 11 Mar 1819 at Colesville, Broome, New York to Freeborn DeMill. She was apparently baptized the same day as many others of her family, on 28 Jun 1830 at Colesville, despite the fact that she is not included in the

official record of the church. She moved with her family and the Colesville Branch to Jackson County, Missouri in 1831. Records in Missouri show her to be the mother of seven children at that time, including six girls and one boy. She was endowed along with her husband on 25 Dec 1845 at Nauvoo. They left Nauvoo with their family in May of 1846, arriving at Mt. Pisgah on the 26th of May. After several years in the Mormon camps in Iowa and Nebraska, arrived in Salt Lake City on 17 Sep 1850. She died 22 Jul 1878 at Manti, Sanpete, Utah. (FGR, Joseph Knight, Sr.; HC1:88; MLO:106; NTE:64; UGM26:109,149)

54. EMILY COLBURN

Born about 1802 at Guilford, Chenango, New York, daughter of Amasa and Experience Colburn. At the time she joined the church, she was living in the township of Sandford, adjoining Colesville, Broome, New York with her brother Esick Lyon Colburn. Upon learning of her sister Sally's interest in joining the Mormons, she went to Colesville to try to dissuade her. She was present on the 28th of June when many of the Colesville Saints were baptized. Her brother and the Rev. John Sherer arrived from Sandford after her delay and tried to force her to return. Later legal actions forced her return, as she was not eighteen, and she was formally dismissed from the Presbyterian Church, but later restored. This may have changed her mind in favor of joining the LDS Church, as she was baptized about the 29th of August, 1830. She removed with the Colesville Branch to Jackson County, Missouri where she married Clark Slade, also a member of the branch, in September of 1833. From there they followed the Saints into Clay and Caldwell Counties, then moved to Pittsfield, Pike, Illinois during the expulsion period. There her husband died, prior to 1844. She was the mother of five children. She moved to Nauvoo, then to Wayne, Ashtabula, Ohio. She returned a number of times to Nauvoo, was remarried during one of these visits, joined a Methodist congregation in Pennsylvania, and later was living or near Madison, Wisconsin in 1882. (LCP:199-202,214-216)

55. HOPESTILL HASKINS

Born 1778. Married Solomon Chamberlain at Pawnee, Bennington, Vermont on 23 Nov 1809 and became the mother of one son and two daughters. Apparently joined the church soon after her husband did, as she was deeply devoted to him. They lived in the vicinity of Lyons, just north of Fayette. They became aware of the Book of Mormon before it was published, and Solomon began immediately to preach its tenets to others even before the church was organized. He was baptized in his own words "a few days" after the church was organized. As his

autobiography only refers to himself and not his wife, and because of the known situations in which she was involved but not mentioned, it must be assumed that she joined shortly after he did. They left New York in the spring of 1831, moving to Kirtland, and then in the fall to Jackson County, Missouri. Records in Missouri give the family as consisting of Solomon, his wife Electa, and children Alonzo, Polly and Electa. She was not recorded with her husband in 1842 in Nauvoo. He was living with his daughter Polly Wilson Chamberlain. It appears that Hopestill or Electa may have become disaffected during the Nauvoo period. When Solomon received his endowments on 18 Dec 1845, he did so with his second wife, Emeline Shepherd Waterman. Hopestill did not receive her endowments in Nauvoo. However, she returned from wherever she was during this period and was with the Saints in the Exodus. She died at Winter Quarters 12 Jan 1847. (LCP:260; MLO:100; NAU1:35; NTE:26; WQ:136; Ethel B. Kirby, *A List of Deaths and Burials at Winter Quarters*, p. 6.)

56. PARLEY PARKER PRATT

Born 12 April 1806 at Burlington, Otsego, New York, son of Jared Pratt and Charity Dickison. Married 9 Sep 1827 at Canaan, Columbia, New York, to Thankful Halsey, by Elder Palmer of the Baptist Church. Became associated with Sidney Rigdon, and while on a preaching mission for his new Campbellite faith, came in contact with the Book of Mormon. Thereafter, he visited Palmyra, talked to Hyrum Smith, and was baptized about 1 Sep 1830, having walked twenty-five miles to the home of Peter Whitmer, Sr. at Fayette, for that purpose. He was baptized by Oliver Cowdery at Seneca Lake. Ordained an Elder the same day. Went to Canaan where he baptized his brother Orson. Returned to Fayette for the September conference and then was appointed as one of the Lamanite missionaries. Ordained a High Priest by Joseph Smith, Jr. on 6 Jun 1831. Became an Apostle on 21 Feb 1835, and was actively involved in the movements and affairs of the Church until his death. Married (2) Mary Ann Frost 9 May 1837 after the death of his first wife in Kirtland on 25 Mar 1837. Married ten other wives between 1843 and 1855. He was murdered on 13 May 1857 near the Arkansas border and the Indian Territory while on a mission. (AJ1:83-85; PPP:1-42)

58. JOSEPH COE

Born 12 Nov 1784 at Cayuga, Cayuga, New York, son of Joel Coe and Huldah Horton. Probably baptized 5 Sep 1830 at Cayuga Lake, Cayuga, New York by David Whitmer at the same time Thomas B. Marsh was baptized.

Associated briefly with the Colesville Branch in 1830. Assisted by Orson Pratt and Samuel H. Smith to move his family to Ohio. Served special mission to Missouri where he participated in dedication services at Jackson County. Served a mission to New York in 1831 with Ezra Thayer. Moved to Kirtland about 1832. Ordained a High Priest by Joseph Smith on 1 Oct 1832. Assisted in laying foundation stones for Kirtland Temple. Claimed Joseph Smith was a fallen prophet in June of 1837. Excommunicated 1 Jan 1838. Remained in Kirtland where he died 17 Oct 1854. (D&C55:6; 102:3; FWR:247; HC1:186; 2:276; 6:179; KEQ:77; OPJ:10)

59. CALVIN W. STODDARD

Born 7 Sep 1801 at Palmyra, Wayne, New York, son of Silas Stoddard and Bathsheba Sheffield. Married 2 Dec 1827 to Sophronia Smith, sister of Joseph Smith, Jr. Probably baptized 5 Sep 1830 at Cayuga Lake, Cayuga, New York by David Whitmer at the same time Thomas B. Marsh and Joseph Coe were baptized. Ordained an Elder on 25 Oct 1831. Lived in Kirtland from sometime in 1835 until his death, having spent some of that time working on the Kirtland temple and receiving a blessing for his labors. Died at Kirtland, Lake, Ohio 19 May 1836. (FWR:291; KEQ:103; PKO:69)

60. THOMAS BALDWIN MARSH

Born 1 Nov 1799 at Acton, Middlesex, Massachusetts. Married 1 Nov 1820 to Elizabeth Godkin. Became aware of the Book of Mormon in 1829 and obtained a copy of the first sixteen pages from the printer prior to its full publication. This he took to his wife at Charleston, Massachusetts. They were both converted. He moved to Palmyra, Ontario, New York in September. Probably baptized 5 Sep 1830. He was baptized at Cayuga Lake, Cayuga, New York by David Whitmer, probably as one of the four men referred to by Parley P. Pratt as being baptized the first Sunday he preached at Fayette. Traveled to Kirtland in the Spring of 1831. Missions to Missouri and the Eastern States during the next five years. Resident of Kirtland 1835-1838. Ordained an Apostle 26 Apr 1835. Returned to Missouri in 1838. Appointed president pro tem of the church in Missouri. Excommunicated for apostasy 17 Mar 1839 at a conference in Quincy, Illinois. After his wife's death, he was rebaptized at Florence, Nebraska and moved to Utah that same year. Died at Ogden, Weber, Utah, and is buried in the Ogden cemetery. Physician to the church. (AJ1:74-76; HC1:117; KEQ:93; LCP:256-257; PPP:41-42)

61. FREEBORN DEMILL

Born 3 Mar 1795 at Plattekill, Ulster, New York, son of Garret DeMill and Delana Amy or Eighmney. He was baptized 6 Sep 1830 at Colesville, Broome, New York by Hyrum Smith. He was confirmed by Joseph Smith, Jr. He moved with his family and the Colesville Branch to Jackson County, Missouri in 1831. Records in Missouri show he was the father of seven children at that time, including six girls and one boy. Endowed 25 Dec 1845 at Nauvoo along with his wife. He left Nauvoo with his family in May of 1846, arriving at Mt. Pisgah on the 26th of May, and after several years in the Mormon camps in Iowa and Nebraska, arrived in Salt Lake City on 17 Sep 1850. He married a polygamous wife on 3 May 1856 named Emma Lynette Richardson, in Salt Lake City. Died 23 Jan 1881 at Manti, Sanpete, Utah. (LCP:205; NTE:64; UGM26:149)

62. ORSON PRATT

Born 19 Sep 1811 at Hartford, Washington, New York, son of Jared Pratt and Charity Dickison. Baptized 19 Sep 1830 at Canaan, Columbian, New York by his brother parley P. Pratt. In the following month he traveled 200 miles to Fayette to see Joseph Smith. Confirmed as a member of the church 1 Dec 1830, and ordained a High Priest 2 Feb 1832 by Sidney Rigdon. Missionary throughout the eastern United States during the next ten years. In Zion's Camp to Missouri. Ordained an Apostle 26 Apr 1835. Married 4 Jul 1836 to Sarah M. Bates. Missionary to Great Britain 1840-1841. Was in Nauvoo and left in the exodus west. First pioneer to enter Salt Lake valley. Died 3 Oct 1881 at Salt Lake City. Father of forty-five children. (AJ1:87-91; D&C34; OPJ)

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