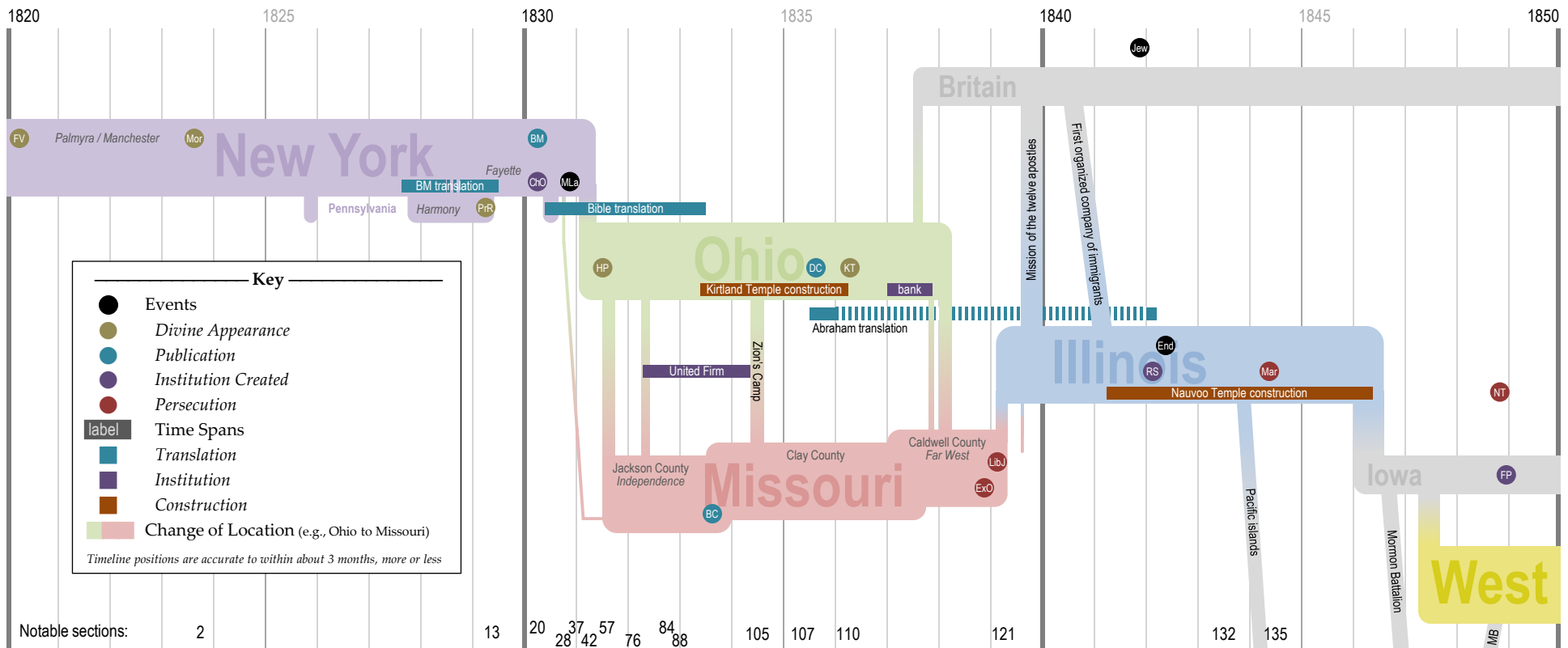


Geographical Timeline of Early Church History



- **Joseph Smith's First Vision:** Spring 1820
- **Moroni's appearance:** 21–22 Sep 1823
- **Moroni gives the gold plates to Joseph:** 22 Sep 1827; Joseph finishes translating: June 1829
- **Aaronic Priesthood restored:** 15 May 1829
- **Book of Mormon published:** 26 Mar 1830
- **Church organized:** 6 Apr 1830
- **Joseph begins the inspired translation of the Bible:** June 1830; Joseph finishes translating: 2 Jul 1833
- **Mission to the Lamanites:** Left Fayette: 18 Oct 1830; arrived in Independence: 13 Jan 1831
- **Moving to Ohio:** Joseph leaves Fayette: end Jan 1831; most groups have reached Kirtland: mid-May 1831
- **Journey to Missouri:** Joseph leaves Kirtland: 19 Jun 1831; arrives back in Kirtland: late Aug 1831
- **Council in Missouri:** Joseph leaves Ohio: Apr 1832; arrives back in Kirtland: early Jun 1832
- **United Firm:** Formed: 26 Apr 1832; dissolved: 23 Apr 1834
- **Kirtland...** Construction begins: 6 Jun 1833; dedicated: 27 Mar 1836

- **Book of Commandments destroyed at press:** 20 Jul 1833
- **Moving to Clay County:** Mob signs secret agreement: 20 Jul 1833; all driven out: Nov 1833
- **Zion's...** Organized in Ohio: 6 May 1834; disbanded in Missouri: 3 Jul 1834; Joseph back in Ohio: early Aug 1834
- **Abraham...** Papyri acquired: early July 1835; translating at least until 25 Nov 1835; first installment published 1 Mar 1842
- **Doctrine and Covenants approved at a special Church conference:** 17 Aug 1835
- **Moving to Far West area:** Caldwell and Daviess Counties created: 29 Dec 1836
- **Kirtland Safety Society (bank) opened:** 2 Jan 1837; closed: Nov 1837
- **First mission to Britain:** Leave Kirtland: 13 Jun 1837; reach Liverpool: 20 Jul 1837
- **Fleeing Ohio:** Joseph leaves Kirtland: 12 Jan 1838; Joseph reaches Far West: 14 Mar 1838
- **Extermination order signed:** 27 Oct 1838
- **Liberty Jail:** Arrested: 31 Oct 1838; escaped: 16 Apr 1839

- **Fleeing Missouri:** Large-scale migration begins: mid-Feb 1839; Joseph reaches Quincy, Illinois: 22 Apr 1839
- **Apostles' mission to Britain:** John Taylor and Wilford Woodruff leave Montrose, Iowa: 8 Aug 1839; reach Liverpool: 11 Jan 1840; others soon follow
- **First British immigrants:** Leave Liverpool: 6 Jun 1840; reach Montrose, Iowa: 16 Apr 1841
- **Nauvoo...** Cornerstones laid: 6 Apr 1841; capstone: 24 May 1845; official dedicatory prayer: 1 May 1846
- **Orson Hyde dedicates the Holy Land:** 24 Oct 1841
- **Relief Society organized:** 17 Mar 1842
- **Missionaries leave:** Oct 1843; reach Tubuai: 30 Apr 1844
- **Martyrdom of Joseph and Hyrum:** 27 Jun 1844
- **Fleeing Nauvoo:** Begin crossing Mississippi River: 4 Feb 1846; reach Council Bluffs area: 14 Jun 1846
- **Battal...** Leave Council Bluffs: 21 Jul 1846; reach San Diego, California: 29 Jan 1847; reach Salt Lake: Oct 1848
- **Moving to the Rocky Mountains:** Leave Winter Quarters: 15 Apr 1847; reach Salt Lake Valley: 24 Jul 1847

Expanded Notes

- **FV** Joseph Smith's **First Vision**: Spring 1820 (*OH*, p. 3)
- **Mor** **Moroni's** appearance: 21–22 Sep 1823 (*OH*, p. 5)
- BM... Moroni gives the gold plates to Joseph: 22 Sep 1827; Joseph finishes translating: June 1829 (*OH*, p. 7, 9)
- **PR** Aaronic **Priesthood restored**: 15 May 1829 (*OH*, p. 13)
- **BM** **Book of Mormon** published: 26 Mar 1830 (*OH*, p. 11)
- **ChC** **Church organized**: 6 Apr 1830 (*OH*, p. 14)
- Bible... Joseph begins the inspired translation of the Bible: June 1830; Joseph finishes translating: 2 Jul 1833 (Matthews, "Joseph Smith's Efforts to Publish His Bible Translation," *Ensign*, Jan 1983)
- **MLa** **Mission to the Lamanites**: 18 Oct 1830–Jan 1831 (*CHFT*, p. 80, 85)
- Moving to Ohio*: Joseph leaves Fayette: end Jan 1831; most groups have reached Kirtland: mid-May 1831 (*CHFT*, p. 90–92)
- **Law** The **Law** of the Church given: 9 and 23 Feb 1831 (D&C 42)
- **HP** First **High Priests** ordained, conference with spiritual manifestations: 3–6 Jun 1831 (___)
- Journey to Missouri*: Joseph leaves Kirtland: 19 Jun 1831; arrives back in Kirtland: late Aug 1831 (*CHFT*, p. 103, 108)
- Council in Missouri*: Joseph leaves Ohio: Apr 1832; arrives back in Kirtland: early Jun 1832 (*CHFT*, p. 115–16)
- United... Formed: 26 Apr 1832; dissolved: 23 Apr 1834 (*CHFT*, p. 115; D&C 82, 104)._
- Kirtland... Construction begins: 6 Jun 1833; dedicated: 27 Mar 1836 (*CHFT*, p. 163, 165)

- **BC** **Book of Commandments** destroyed at press: 20 Jul 1833 (*OH*, p. 40)
- Moving to Clay County*: Mob signs secret agreement: 20 Jul 1833; all driven out: Nov 1833 (*CHFT*, p. 132, 137)
- Zion's... Organized in Ohio: 6 May 1834; disbanded in Missouri: 3 Jul 1834; Joseph back in Ohio: early Aug 1834 (*CHFT*, p. 143, 150)
- Abrah... Papyri acquired: early July 1835; current canonical text finished: end July 1835; further translating at least through 25 Nov 1835; some pre-publication revising in early 1842 (Gee, *Guide to Papyri*, ch. 1); first installment published 1 Mar 1842 (*PC*, p. 2)
- **DC** **Doctrine and Covenants** approved at a special Church conference: 17 Aug 1835 (*CHFT*, p. 160)
- **KT** Divine appearances in the **Kirtland Temple** from Jesus Christ and ancient prophets: 3 Apr 1836 (___ p. __)
- Moving to Far West area*: Caldwell and Daviess Counties created: 29 Dec 1836; _ (*CHFT*, p. 183)
- bank Kirtland Safety Society (bank) opened: 2 Jan 1837; closed: Nov 1837 (*CHFT*, p. 172)
- First mission to Britain*: Leave Kirtland: 13 Jun 1837; reach Liverpool: 20 Jul 1837 (Evans, "Church in Britain," *Ensign*, Sep 1971)
- Fleeing Ohio*: Joseph leaves Kirtland: 12 Jan 1838; Joseph reaches Far West: 14 Mar 1838 (*CHFT*, p. 169, 181)
- **ExO** **Extermination order** signed: 27 Oct 1838 (*OH*, p. 47)
- **Lib.** **Liberty Jail**: Joseph arrested: 31 Oct 1838; allowed to escape: 16 Apr 1839 (*CHFT*, p. 204; *PC*, p. 14)

- Fleeing Missouri*: Large-scale migration begins: mid-Feb 1839; Joseph reaches Quincy, Illinois: 22 Apr 1839 (*CHFT*, p. 212, 215)
- Apostles' mission to Britain*: John Taylor and Wilford Woodruff leave Montrose, Iowa: 8 Aug 1839; reach Liverpool: 11 Jan 1840; others soon follow (*CHFT*, p. 227–28)
- First British immigrants*: Leave Liverpool: 6 Jun 1840; reach Montrose, Iowa: 16 Apr 1841 (*CHFT*, p. 234)
- Nauv... Cornerstones laid: 6 Apr 1841; first proxy baptisms: 21 Nov 1841; capstone: 24 May 1845; endowments given: 10 Dec 1845; official dedicatory prayer: 1 May 1846 (*CHFT*, p. 242)
- **Jew** Orson Hyde dedicates the Holy Land for the return of the Jews: 24 Oct 1841 (*CHFT*, p. 237)
- **RS** **Relief Society** organized: 17 Mar 1842 (*CHFT*, p. 248)
- **End** First endowment: 4 May 1842 (*PC*, p. 284)
- Pacifc... Missionaries leave: Oct 1843; reach Tubuai: 30 Apr 1844 (*CHFT*, p. 238)
- **Mar** Martyrdom of Joseph and Hyrum: 27 Jun 1844 (*OH*, p. 63)
- Fleeing Nauvoo*: Begin crossing Mississippi River: 4 Feb 1846; reach Council Bluffs area: 14 Jun 1846 (Kimball, "Iowa Trek," *Ensign*, p. 36)
- Battal... Leave Council Bluffs: 21 Jul 1846; reach San Diego, California: 29 Jan 1847; reach Salt Lake: Oct 1848 (*CHFT*, p. 323, 326, 334).
- **NT** **Nauvoo Temple** burned by arson: 9 Oct 1848 (___)
- **FP** **First Presidency** reorganized: 5 Dec 1847; sustained 27 Dec 1848 (___)
- Moving to the Rocky Mountains*: Leave Winter Quarters (Nebraska): 15 Apr 1847; reach Salt Lake Valley: 24 Jul 1847 (*OH*, p. 75–76)

Key

<i>OH</i>	<i>Our Heritage: A Brief History of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints</i> (LDS Church, 1996)
<i>CHFT</i>	<i>Church History in the Fulness of Times, Student Manual</i> (LDS Church, 2003)
<i>PC</i>	<i>Presidents of the Church, Student Manual</i> (LDS Church, 2003)
●	Events
●	Publication
●	Institution Created
●	Persecution
●	Divine Appearance
label	Time Spans
 	Translation
 	Institution
 	Construction
 	Change of Location (e.g., Ohio to Missouri)