

Family History



In Five Minutes a Day

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- **Family history addict**

I can find **FIVE** minutes a day
to give to my ancestors.

- Drying my hair
- Eating breakfast
- Waiting to pick up kids
- Waiting for an appointment
- Anytime I might look at social media
- Anytime I might sit and unwind



What kind of blessings?

Help from the Other Side

“Brother Widtsoe reaffirmed that ‘those who give themselves with all their might and mind to this [family history] work receive help from the other side. Whoever seeks to help those in the other side receives help in return in all the affairs of life’” (Boyd K. Packer, *The Holy Temple*, 252).

“Remember that the names which will be so difficult to find are of real people to whom you owe your existence in this world and whom you will meet again in the spirit world. ... Their hearts are bound to you. Their hope is in your hands. You will have more than your own strength as you choose to labor on to find them” (Henry B. Eyring, “Hearts Bound Together,” April 2005 general conference).

Spiritual Protection

“Do you young people want a sure way to eliminate the influence of the adversary in your life? Immerse yourself in searching for your ancestors” (Richard G. Scott, “The Joy of Redeeming the Dead,” Oct. 2012 general conference).

“I promise you will be protected against the intensifying influence of the adversary. As you participate in and love this holy work, you will be safeguarded in your youth and throughout your lives” (David A. Bednar, “The Hearts of the Children Shall Turn,” Oct. 2011 general conference).

What kind of blessings?

Increased Testimony and Conversion

“As you respond in faith to this invitation, your hearts shall turn to the fathers....Your love and gratitude for your ancestors will increase. Your testimony of and conversion to the Savior will become deep and abiding (David A. Bednar, “The Hearts of the Children Shall Turn,” Oct. 2011 general conference).

Enhanced Temple Experience

“Any work you do in the temple is time well spent, but receiving ordinances vicariously for one of your own ancestors will make the time in the temple more sacred, and even greater blessings will be received” (Richard G. Scott, “The Joy of Redeeming the Dead,” October 2012 general conference).

“When members of the Church find the names of their ancestors and take those names to the temple for ordinance work, the temple experience can be greatly enriched” (First Presidency Letter, Oct. 8, 2012).

What can I do in only FIVE minutes?

- I'm SO glad you asked.





Family History Activities

Create a **free** Family Search account

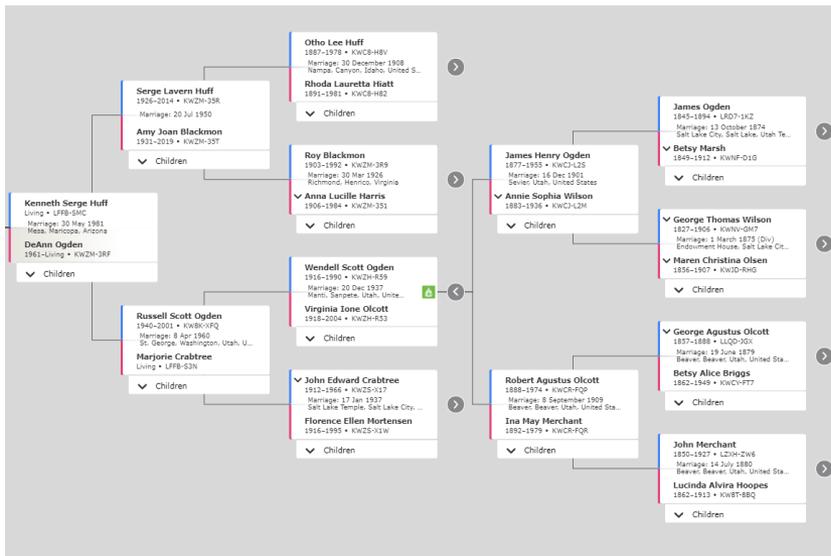
- To log in to FamilySearch, you'll need a free account. If you already have an LDS Account, you're set—LDS Account log-ins also work on FamilySearch. If you don't have an LDS Account yet, you can go directly to FamilySearch and create your account there.
- Go to FamilySearch.org, and click Free Account in the upper right corner of the page.
- Follow the three-step process to create your account. You'll be asked for your name, birthday, gender and you'll check if you are a member of the Church. **Church membership is not required.**
- If you are a member of the Church, you'll need your membership number. You can find your membership record number (MRN) on your temple recommend or in your directory listing in the LDS Tools mobile app. You can also ask a ward clerk or Church leader.
- At the end of step 3, click Create an Account.



Family History Activities

Explore the information on your tree:

- Wander through your family tree and see who's there
- Familiarize yourself with the tree, person screens, and menus



The screenshot shows the profile page for Russell Scott Ogden. Key details include:

- Name:** Russell Scott Ogden
- Birth:** 19 September 1940
- Death:** 22 January 2011
- Life Search:** A search bar with the name 'OGD' entered.
- Vitals:** Birth on 19 September 1940 in Kingsport, Scott Lake, Utah, United States. Death on 22 January 2011 in Glendale, Maricopa, Arizona, United States.
- Other Information:** Custom field for 'Custom Field' with value '2003'.
- Family Members:** Lists children and spouses, including: James Ogdien (1845-1894), Betsy Marsh (1849-1912), George Thomas Wilson (1827-2006), Maren Christina Olsen (1856-1907), George Augustus Olcott (1857-1888), Betsy Alice Briggs (1862-1949), John Merchant (1850-1927), and Lucinda Alvira Hoopes (1862-1913).



Family History Activities

If your tree is bare, record what you know:

- Enter living people yourself (protects their privacy)
- Search for deceased people
- Only add people that aren't already in the Family Search Family Tree database



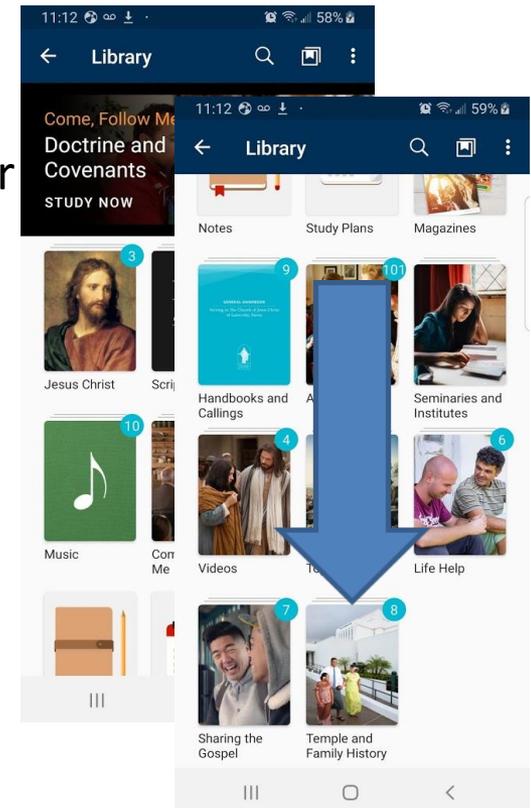
Family History Activities



Learn how to use Family Search:

(Family Search is available on both computer and phone, but easiest to use on computer)

- (On your computer) After you've logged into Family Search, click on the circled question mark in the upper right hand corner.
- Click on "Getting Started: How to Do Family History."
- Read the articles and watch the short training videos.
- (On your phone) You can also watch these training videos on your phone. Go the Library app on your phone (a must have if you are a member of the Church—available on iPhone or Android). Scroll down to the bottom and click on "Temple and Family History." Click on "Getting Started" and read and watch.

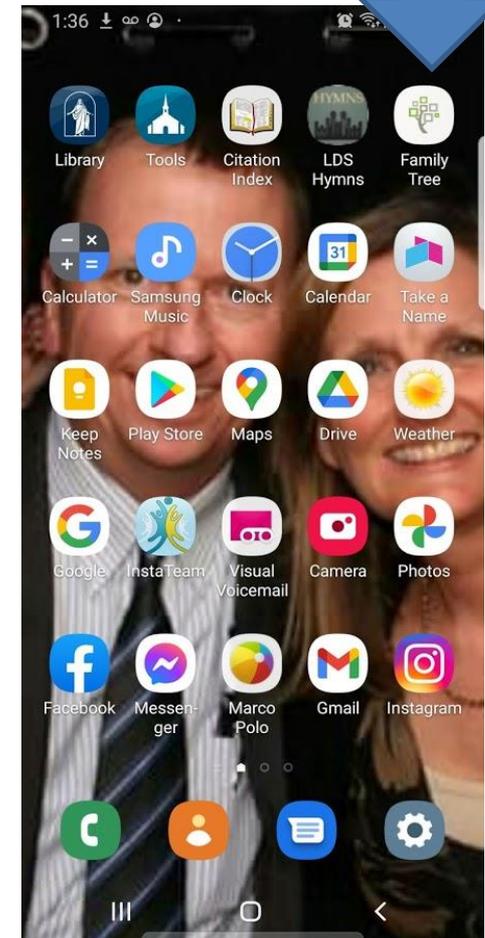




Family History Activities

On your phone, download the Family Tree app:

- Available for Android or iPhone
- Makes 5 minute Family History activities easier

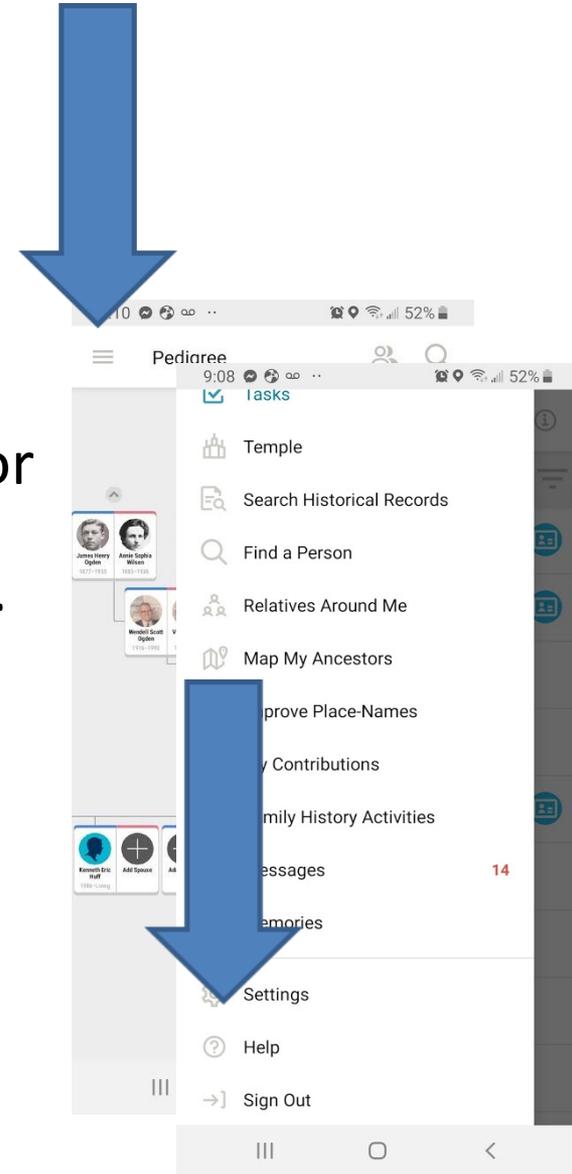




Family History Activities

Learn how to use Family Tree (only on phone):

- After you log into the Family Tree app on your phone (using your Family Search ID or LDS account ID), click on the three lines (menu icon) in the upper left hand corner.
- Scroll down and click the Help menu item
- Click the “Frequently Asked Questions” menu item
- Read the articles and learn
- Wander through the menu items.

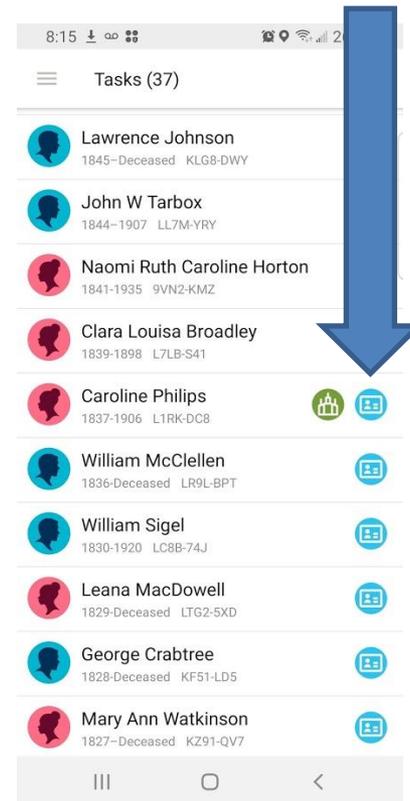




Family History Activities

Complete Tasks in Family Tree:

- After you log into the Family Tree app on your phone, click on the three lines (menu icon) in the upper right hand corner.
- Click the “Tasks” menu item.
- Look for the blue Record Hints icons .





Family History Activities

The first screenshot shows the 'Record Hints' screen for Caroline Philips (1837-1906, L1RK-DC8). A suggested record is shown: 'Caroline Philips, England and Wales Census, 1841'.

The second screenshot shows the summary page for the selected record. The details are as follows:

Name	Caroline Philips
Event Type	Census
Event Date	1841
Event Place	Ermington, Devon, England, United Kingdom
Event Place (Original)	Ermington, Devon, England
County	Devon
Parish	Ermington
Registration District	Plympton St Mary
Residence Note	Ivy Bridge
Gender	Female
Age	4
Age (Original)	4
Birth Year (Estimated)	1837
Birthplace	Devon

The third screenshot shows the household details for the record. The household members are listed in a table:

Household	Role	Sex	Age	Birthplace
Robert Philips	Principal	Male	30	Devon
Lobine Philips	Principal	Female	28	Devon
Samuel Philips	Principal	Male	7	Devon
William Philips	Principal	Male	6	Devon
Caroline Philips	Self	Female	4	Devon
Elizabeth Philips	Principal	Female	3	Devon
Robert Philips	Principal	Male	1	Devon

At the bottom of the household details, there is a 'Not a Match' link and a blue 'Compare' button. A large blue arrow points to the 'Compare' button.

When you click on the blue Record Hints icon, the first screen will appear. When you click on the suggested record (in this case a census), a summary of the record will appear. Scroll down (to see the third screen) and click the blue “Compare” button.



Family History Activities

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Review (1 of 7) Skip

England and Wales Census, 1841

Is this document a match for **Caroline Philips** in the Tree?

England and Wales Cen...	Family Tree
Caroline Philips Self	Caroline Philips 1837-1906 L1RK-DC8
SELF ^	
Name Caroline Philips	Name Caroline Philips
Sex Female	Sex Female
Birth 1837 Devon	Birth Jul 1837 England Different
	Death 06 Mar 1906 „Massachusetts
	Residence 1851

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Residence
Census
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England, United
Kingdom

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Spouse
William Richard Coad
1834-1894

Children
Fanny Sabina Coad
1864-Deceased
Caroline Phillips Coad
1865-Deceased
William Coad
1867-Deceased

PARENTS AND SIBLINGS ^

Parents
Robert Phillips
1810-1880
Sabina Harvey
1813-1897

Siblings
Samuel Phillips
1834-Deceased

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Principal
Lobine Philips

Principal
Samuel Philips
1834-

Principal
William Philips
1835-

Principal
Elizabeth Philips
1838-

Principal
Robert Philips
1840-

Reason to Attach Document

No Match

(First screen) On the left is the information from the census record and on the right is the information already in Family Tree. Compare the information and see if they match. Use “Rule of Three” —if three major pieces of information match (like name, birth year and place, father’s name) then trust that it’s the same person. (Second screen) Click the “Add” arrow to add this record to the Family Tree person. (Third and fourth screen) Click the blue “Yes, Attach” button to attach.



Family History Activities

Good Work

Please compare and attach the other family members in this document to people in Family Tree.

- 1 Caroline Philips
Self
- 2 Robert Philips
Principal
- 3 Lobine Philips
Principal
- 4 Samuel Philips
Principal
- 5 William Philips
Principal
- 6 Elizabeth Philips
Principal

[Skip](#) [Review Others](#)

England and Wales Census, 1841

Self Principal Principal Princi

England and Wales Cen... **Family Tree**

Robert Philips
Principal

Robert Phillips
1810-1880 L2TQ-4YK

PRINCIPAL ^

Name	Robert Philips	Name	Robert Phillips
Sex	Male	Sex	Male
Birth	1807-1811 Devon	Birth	23 April 1810 Cornwood, Devon, England, United Kingdom
			Different
		Christening	19 June 1811

England and Wales Census, 1841

Self Principal Principal Princi

England and Wales Cen... **Family Tree**

Lobine Philips
Principal

Sabina Harvey
1813-1897 L2TQ-Z73

PRINCIPAL ^

Name	Lobine Philips	Name	Sabina Harvey
Sex	Female	Sex	Female
Birth	1809-1811 Devon	Birth	1813 Cornwood, Devon, England
			Different
		Death	1897

England and Wales Census, 1841

Self Principal Principal Principal

England and Wales Cen... **Family Tree**

Samuel Philips
Principal

Samuel Phillips
1834-Deceased MDLX-MD3

PRINCIPAL ^

Name	Samuel Philips	Name	Samuel Phillips
Sex	Male	Sex	Male
Birth	1834 Devon	Birth	1834 Ermington, Devonshire
			Different
		Christening	05 JAN 1834

(First screen) Once you attach the record, you'll have the opportunity to attach the same record to the other people in the record (see next three people).



Family History Activities

Good Work

Please compare and attach the other family members in this document to people in Family Tree.

- 1 Caroline Philips Self
- 2 Robert Philips Principal
- 3 Lobine Philips Principal
- 4 Samuel Philips Principal
- 5 William Philips Principal
- 6 Elizabeth Philips Principal

[Skip](#) [Review Others](#)

England and Wales Census, 1841

England and Wales Cen...	Family Tree
William Philips Principal	William Thomas Phillips 1835-Deceased MDLZ-63F
PRINCIPAL ^	
Name William Philips	Name William Thomas Phillips Different
Sex Male	Sex Male
Birth 1835 Devon	Birth 1835 Ivybridge, Devon, England, United Kingdom Different

England and Wales Census, 1841

England and Wales Cen...	Family Tree
	<input type="checkbox"/> Add New Person or Find a Match
Elizabeth Philips Principal	
PRINCIPAL ^	
Name Elizabeth Philips	
Sex Female	
Birth 1838 Devon	
Residence Census 1841	

Elizabeth Philips
ENGLAND AND WALES CENSUS, 1841
RESIDENCE: ERMINGTON, DEVON, ENGLAND, UNITED KINGDOM
BIRTH: 1838, DEVON

Are any of these family members a match for Elizabeth Philips?

- Caroline Phillips Coad
1865-Deceased L1RK-NLQ
- Elizabeth Northmore
1781-1861 L2TQ-4F2
- Elizabeth Withiel
1791-1856 LJVR-QZC
- Ellen Phillips
1856-Deceased LRMJ-842
- Fanny Sabina Coad

None of these is the correct person. [No Match](#)

Keep going, there are a couple more people to attach ... except there isn't a record in Family Tree for Elizabeth Philips (Third screen). Click the "Add New Person or Find a Match" box. (Fourth screen) Decide if anyone else in Family Tree matches. If not, click "No Match."



Family History Activities

The image displays four sequential screenshots of a mobile application interface for adding a person to a family tree. The app is titled "Add Person" and features a "Continue" button in the top right corner of each screen.

Screen 1 (8:24): Shows the profile of Elizabeth Philips, born 1838 in Devon, England. Below the profile, a question asks: "To be added, this person needs to be the parent, spouse, or child of someone in the tree. To whom is Elizabeth Philips related?" A list of potential relatives is shown, including Robert Phillips (1810-1880), Robert Phillips (1840-Deceased), Robert Phillips (1781-Deceased), Roy Kimball Coad (1915-1979), and Sabina Harvey (1813-1897). Robert Phillips (1810-1880) is selected with a checkmark.

Screen 2 (8:25): Asks "How is Elizabeth Philips related to Robert Phillips?" and shows a diagram of a family unit. Elizabeth Philips is connected to Robert Phillips as a "Spouse" (radio button selected) and as a "Child" (radio button selected).

Screen 3 (8:25): Shows the gender selection screen. Elizabeth Philips is identified as "Female" (radio button selected). There is an "Add by ID" button and a dropdown menu set to "OTHER".

Screen 4 (8:26): Shows the date and place of birth fields. The date of birth is "1838" and the place of birth is "ington, Devon, England, United Kingdom". A keyboard is visible at the bottom of the screen.

(First and second screens) Identify how Elizabeth Philips fits into the family (relationship) then scroll down to add any additional information (third and fourth screens).



Family History Activities

The screenshots illustrate the following steps:

- Step 1:** The 'Add Person' screen for Elizabeth Philips. A blue arrow points to the 'Add This Person' button at the bottom.
- Step 2:** The 'Review (6 of 7)' comparison screen. It shows details for Elizabeth Philips (Principal) and a matching census record from 1841. A blue arrow points to the 'Add' button for the census record.
- Step 3:** The 'Review (6 of 7)' comparison screen. It shows details for Elizabeth Philips (Principal) and a matching residence record from 1838. A blue arrow points to the 'Add' button for the residence record.
- Step 4:** The 'Review (6 of 7)' comparison screen. It shows details for Elizabeth Philips (Principal) and a matching residence record from 1838. A blue arrow points to the 'Attach' button at the bottom right.

(First screen) Finally, click the “Add This Person” box to add Elizabeth Philips to Family Tree. Now the comparison screen will appear again. Add the census record and residence by clicking the “Add” buttons (third screen). Then, click the blue “Attach” button to attach the census record to Elizabeth. Congratulations! You’ve found a person.

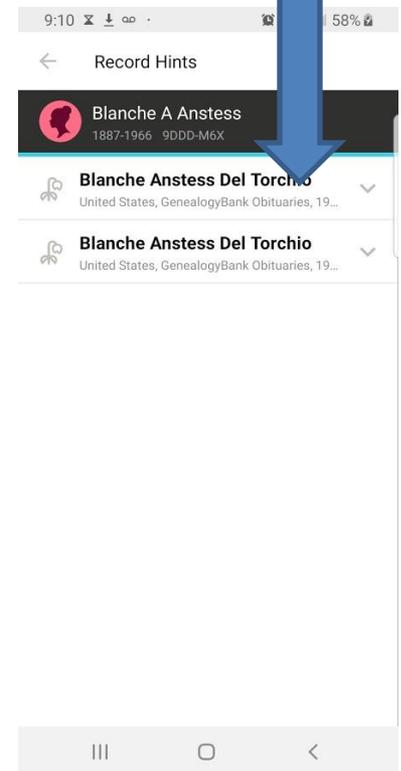


Family History Activities

When NOT to use your Family Tree app (go to Family Search on your computer instead):



- If a record is attached to another person (It's too hard to sort it out on a tiny screen—go to your computer.) Save for when you have more than five minutes.
- Obituaries (There is too much information on obituaries to view on a phone screen—go to your computer instead.)





Family History Activities

Show a friend your Family Tree app:

- Double “points” if you show the app to someone who isn’t a member of the Church (you get a “point” for doing family history and another “point” for missionary work).
- Triple “points” if you ask them about their ancestors and volunteer to help them get their own account (easiest missionary work ever!)

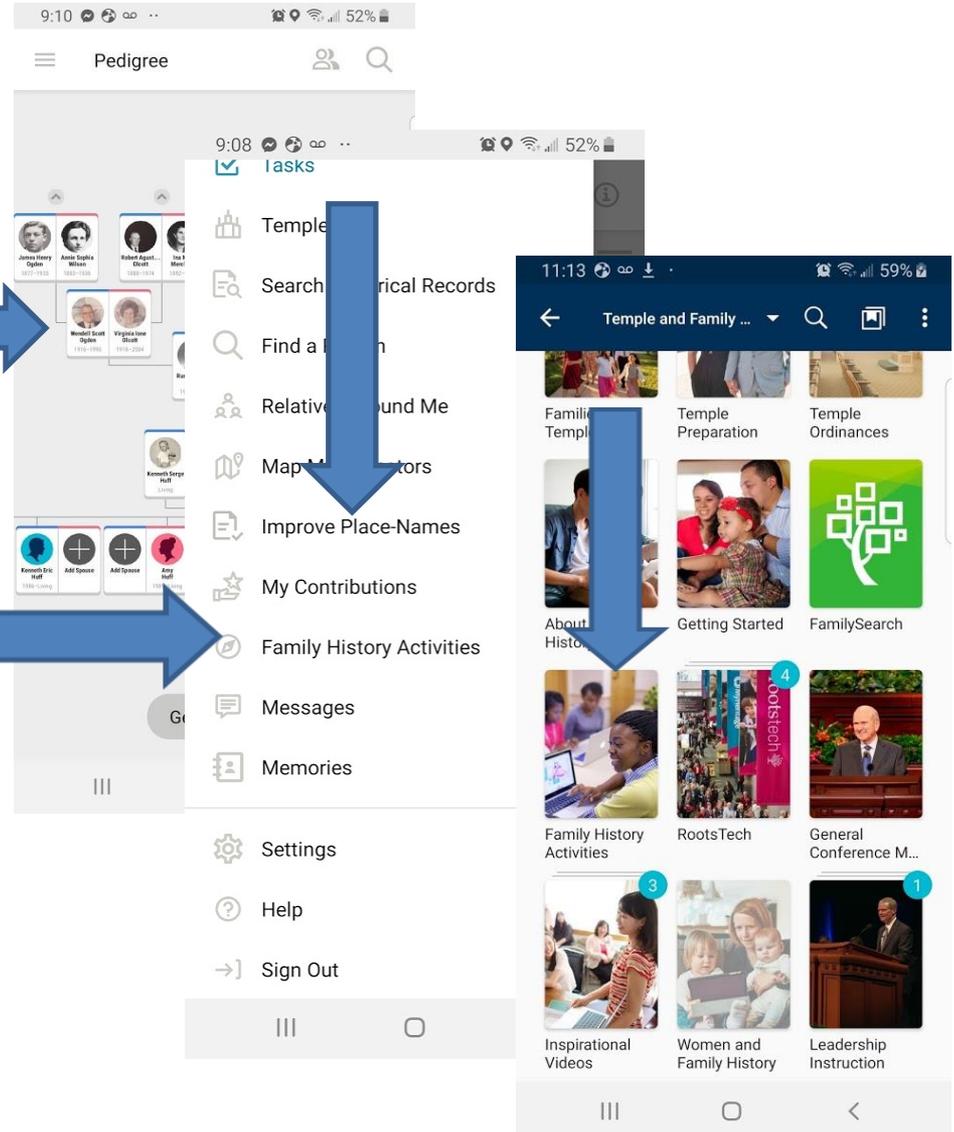




Family History Activities

Find other ways:

- Add photos
- Record memories
- Play with the Family History Activities
- Fix place names
- Index
- The list is long!



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