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## JOSEPH SMITH, SR., FAMILY REUNION

Independence, Missouri  
May 1977

To The Descendents of Joseph Smith, Sr. and Lucy Mack Smith:

You and your family are cordially invited to attend the fourth bi-annual family reunion which will be held at Kirtland, Ohio, August 4 to 7, 1977. If you have attended any of the previous reunions or read the Family Newspaper, you know that it is an occasion to look forward to with great joy and anticipation.

Plans have been laid which will take you back to the days of your forefathers when they walked these same paths, built a thriving community dedicated to the principles of Zion, and worked faithfully together to build the beautiful Kirtland Temple, which has recently been designated as a United States National Historic Landmark by the Department of Interior of the United States Government.

The reunion activities begin with a reception Thursday, 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. at the Social Hall across from the Temple. During the next few days you will enjoy programs and activities where well-informed speakers and family members will bring the Kirtland era to life. You will see again Buddy Youngreen's original film, "Seeds of Greatness". You will have opportunity to visit with cousins while you view the family art, crafts, and historic items which will be on display. You will be able to share with other family members their talents in singing and instrumental music. You will have opportunity to visit various historic landmarks. Guided tours will be available to groups to see and hear the story of Kirtland in preparation for the tour of the Kirtland Temple itself. Many visitors have reported that to them this has been an inspiring experience. There will be swimming and other recreational activities for the youth. The registration form provides you with the opportunity for volunteering your services in this regard.

It is anticipated that one of the highlights of the experience will be the narrated re-enactment of the Kirtland Temple dedicatory service which is scheduled for the last day of the reunion, Sunday from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. Following this service we will say our farewell till we meet again, and then make our way to our own homes, taking with us a renewed awareness of our mutual heritage and shared love and concerns.

Yours in family bonds,

*Lynn & Lorene Smith*

Co-chairmen for the 1977 Reunion  
for the Joseph Smith, Jr. Family

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HOUSING INFORMATION

For your convenience a block of one hundred rooms has been reserved. Each family is to make its own reservation direct with the motel listed below. Those traveling by bus should report their reservations to their tour captain.

Sheraton Inn - Euclid East  
 27981 Euclid Avenue  
 Cleveland, Ohio 44132  
 Phone: (216) 731-5800  
 For making reservations toll free  
 Phone: (800) 325-3535

One person \$16  
 Two persons \$20  
 Extra adult \$ 4  
 Roll-a-way beds \$ 3  
 Children under 18 free when  
 in same room with parents  
 Max number per room 5 (fire law)

Airport limousine service from the Cleveland Airport is available. A bus will be available for transportation from the motel to the Kirtland Temple area. You may clip and mail the following reservation form or phone in your reservation, using the toll free number listed above. When making your reservation remember to indicate that you are attending the Joseph Smith, Sr. family reunion in order to obtain the group discount that is available. The motel is located at I-90 and the Euclid Exit 44132.

Retain for your records

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Arrival \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Departure \_\_\_\_\_

	One Person	Two Persons
One Bed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Two Beds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
One Bed, Therma Sol (In-Room Steam Bath)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
One Bed, In-Room Movies*	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Two Beds, In-Room Movies**	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Room held until 6:00 p.m.  
 If guaranteed note billing address.

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ (Please Print)  
 Date of Arrival \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Time of Arrival \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Departure \_\_\_\_\_

	One Person	Two Persons
One Bed	<input type="checkbox"/> 16	<input type="checkbox"/> 20
Two Beds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
One Bed, Therma Sol (In-Room Steam Bath)	<input type="checkbox"/> 21.50	<input type="checkbox"/> 26.50
One Bed, In-Room Movies*	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Two Beds, In-Room Movies**	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please advise actual hour, otherwise room held to 6 p.m. only.  
 If guaranteed, billing address is: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Please use Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*In-Room Movies - First-run feature films shown nightly.

**Try to have motel reservations in by July 5, 1977**

CAMPING FACILITIES

Camping and trailer facilities are available at the following parks:  
 (Check your Woodall's for detailed information.)

Punderson State Park: Newbury, Ohio

2 miles East of Newbury on Highway 87

Fawn Lake: Chardon, Ohio

10 miles East of Chardon on Highway 6 at Montville



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Please fill in the information requested and mail to:

Lynn E. Smith  
1513 West Walnut St.  
Independence, Missouri 64050

## REGISTRATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Names and ages of children \_\_\_\_\_

Address: (Street) \_\_\_\_\_ (City) \_\_\_\_\_

(State) \_\_\_\_\_ (Zip) \_\_\_\_\_ (Phone) \_\_\_\_\_

Full name of family member descended from Joseph Smith, Sr.: \_\_\_\_\_

Trace lineage: \_\_\_\_\_

We plan to arrive by: Tour bus \_\_\_\_\_ Private car \_\_\_\_\_ Airplane \_\_\_\_\_

## REGISTRATION FEE

The registration fee is \$10 for a single person or for a couple and \$15 for a family (parents and unmarried children.) Please pay registration fee in advance.

Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## MEAL RESERVATIONS

The following meals are being provided at the cost indicated:

Friday Noon	Lunch	\$2.50	Number you want _____	Amount \$ _____
Friday Evening	Banquet	\$5.00	Number you want _____	Amount \$ _____
Saturday Noon	Lunch	\$2.50	Number you want _____	Amount \$ _____

(Meal tickets may be paid either in advance or on arrival.)

Total for registration and meals	Amount \$ _____
Paid in advance	Amount \$ _____
Balance due on arrival	Amount \$ _____

Please make checks payable to Joseph Smith Family Reunion and mail with this registration form to:

Lynn E. Smith  
1513 West Walnut Street  
Independence, Missouri 64050

Note: A Dairy Cream Stand is within walkin distance and other resturants are a short drive from the temple area.

REMINDER Have you made your motel reservations? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
Do you plan to camp? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
Or do you plan to stay with friends in the area? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
The number of roll-a-way beds is limited. You may need sleeping bags for the little ones.

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SPECIAL INTEREST INVENTORY

HOBBY AND CRAFT AND ARTIFACT DISPLAY (To be set up Saturday morning)

Several individuals have expressed interest in this project. Do you plan to enter this activity? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_; If yes, what do you plan to display?

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Tables will be available other equipment you will need to provide.

SPECIAL BANQUET DRESS

Several individuals have expressed interest in wearing historic or period costumes for the banquet; Many individuals, however, will be wearing regular dress. If you plan to wear a special costume, please give description and history: \_\_\_\_\_

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SPECIAL TALENT EVENT

Several individuals have expressed interest in the special talent event that has been suggested. Will you be able to sing or plan an instrument? Please give information including name of the song, instrument, etc:

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YOUTH RECREATION

There is a swimming pool at the motel that is available for youth in the afternoons. Do you have a life guard certificate? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
Would you be available to supervise the pool? \_\_\_\_\_  
What other youth activities would you be available to participate in?

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For the majority of the activities, it is the plan to have the families participate as family units.

VIGNETTES (MINI-BIOGRAPHY) PROJECT

A new project is being initiated with this family reunion. Materials for a family album of "mini-biographies" and family pictures are being collected. Choose one of your ancestors, yourself or one of your family and prepare a "mini-biography". Three or four pages of double spaced typing is a suggested length. This project is intended to enlarge our knowledge of family members. You are the one who has this information. Together, let us make this information a matter of record. Bring these biographical sketches with you to Kirtland. We plan to combine these into a Smith Family Album. It is hoped that through the years this album can continue to grow.

*Theresa Smith*