



SMITH REUNION Tour – July 27-August 2, 2026

Prepared by MHA Tours, this reunion tour is offered as a pre-reunion tour plus accommodations, meals, and transportation during the dates of the Smith Reunion.

At the direction of **Steve & Frances Orton**, each day will begin & end with a hymn and a prayer on the bus - the days will be filled with inspirational experiences at the sites where historic & Smith family events occurred from **Palmyra to Harmony to Kirtland.**

You will return with an even greater understanding of the monumental value of the restored gospel and humbled at the price paid by your ancestors and their friends – contemporaries who were men and women faithfully working together to lay the foundation of the restoration of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Fly to Buffalo, New York. Deluxe, charter bus takes you in comfort to [Niagara Falls USA](#) then to important church history sites: [PALMYRA](#), [CUMORAH](#), [FAYETTE](#), [COLESVILLE](#), [HARMONY & SUSQUEHANNA RIVER](#), [HIRAM](#), and [KIRTLAND](#). Tour ends with a flight home from Cleveland.

Tour Days & Sites	What we will experience!
Day 1 Buffalo, Niagara Falls	Fly to Buffalo NY, whether with the SLC group or on your own. Gather at Buffalo airport – meet our deluxe, chartered bus to drive to the breathtaking Niagara Falls USA! Get up-close and personal with the Falls exploring the American & Bridal Veil Falls at Terrapin Point on Goat Island, nestled between the falls. Continue to lodging near Palmyra. <i>Lodging: Victor NY</i>
Day 2 Palmyra NY	Smith family farm: early morning visit to the indescribably inspiring Sacred Grove including private meditation time. Tour the rebuilt log home where Moroni’s visits took place, restored frame home where plates were hidden under the hearth, see Father Smith’s threshing barn & cooper’s shop (the plates were also hidden here). Enjoy visits to the Grandin Press, Martin Harris Farm, Palmyra Cemetery. Explore the beautiful hill Cumorah where Moroni directed Joseph to go to retrieve the Book of Mormon plates—hear Emma’s account of that incredible night. Wonderfully re-worked visitor’s center!
Fayette NY	Peter & Mary Whitmer Farm where many crucial events took place! The Church was initially organized and the first conference was held here and the first Elders of the church ordained. Site of the visions to the Three Witnesses. Book of Mormon translation finished. Many D&C sections received here. Re-built Whitmer cabin, lovely visitors’ center and chapel. <i>Remarkable day! Lodging: Vestal NY</i>

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**Day 3
Harmony PA
&
Susquehanna
River!**

Extremely important site *and* remarkably beautiful. Home of **Emma’s Hale family**. Tour the re-built homes of the Hales and Smiths, visitor’s center with a lovely chapel. Most of the **Book of Mormon** was translated here. Martin Harris, and Oliver Cowdery also lived here while scribes for the translation. Temple-like atmosphere at the **Susquehanna River** - John the Baptist restored the **Aaronic Priesthood** nearby. Higher priesthood restored not far from here by Peter, James, and John. Fifteen sections of the D&C were revealed here. Many additional crucial events pertinent and uniquely personal to both Joseph & Emma. For many people, it is worth the price of the tour just to visit this key site! These re-built homes & the visitor’s center were dedicated by then-Elder Russell M. Nelson & opened to the public in September of 2015.

**Colesville &
S Bainbridge
NY**

First branch of the Church – comprised of a group of most faithful members, the **Colesville Saints** and with **Hyrum Smith** as Branch President. Joseph Knight Sr home and farm where Emma Smith and many others were baptized. Joseph Smith worked for Josiah Stool nearby and Joseph & Emma courted and were married near here. Tour the lovingly restored, private homes of Joseph Knight Sr and Josiah Stool, all very dear friends of Joseph & Emma! Continue through beautiful upstate New York arriving in Ohio that night for lodging: *Lodging: Mentor OH, 4 nights.*

**Days 4-7
Kirtland OH**

Gather with & participate with fellow Smith descendants for the Smith reunion. While in Kirtland, visit the remarkable sites at **Historic Kirtland Village: Newel K. Whitney Store** - School of the Prophets; Word of Wisdom received here with several other D&C sections, **John Johnson Inn**, re-built **ashery** and **sawmill**, restored **schoolhouse**, and the restored **Whitney home**. PLUS, **Joseph & Emma’s** newly re-built home, the **Temple stone quarry** site, **Isaac Morley Farm** (United Order revealed; first Apostles ordained) with its remarkable, spiritual history. Tour the miraculous **Kirtland Temple** – stand to sing together *The Spirit of God, like a fire is burning...* Visit **Fairport Harbor** on **Lake Erie**, just 12 miles from Kirtland. Hear indomitable **Lucy Mack Smith’s** first-hand account of miracles on her journey to Kirtland.

Hiram OH

John Johnson Farm. Joseph & Emma lived here for a year while he worked on the “Inspired Translation” of the Bible. Joseph & Sidney Rigdon were also horrifically tarred and feathered here. Many sections of the D&C received including the great 76th ‘three degrees of glory’ section. Attend church on Sunday morning in Kirtland before flights home Sunday afternoon from Cleveland returning home with renewed faith & determination to carry on with your ancestors by your side!

Price EACH by # persons/room
**SLC airfare can be ADDED*

Tour ID	Dates	Price EACH by # persons/room				Tour Summary & Hosts
		1	2	3	4	
CF08	July 27-Aug 2, 2026 7 days	\$1790 each *+air	\$1550 each *+air	\$1425 each *+air	\$1390 each *+air	SMITH Family Reunion tour +reunion lodging, transportation, & meals! Niagara Falls USA visit then inspiring Church history from Palmyra to Harmony to Kirtland. Hosts: Steve & Frances Orton

Tour price includes: all meals (1 “reunion” meal is separate), nice lodging, charter bus, admissions, tour materials, & expert MHA services. **SLC group airfare can be ADDED once reserved for tour date.* Notify MHA at sign-up whether expecting to fly with SLC group (if provide own air, must coordinate flight times with tour schedule). \$40 per person bus driver gratuity is encouraged & collected on tour.
Not included: Smith reunion fee, *airfare, checked baggage fees, any airport meals, bus driver tip, souvenirs, personal items, trip insurance. *No surprise add-ons!*

\$100 non-refundable deposit per person secures a reservation on a first-come, first-served basis. Balance due 7 weeks prior to departure. **Prices listed are cash/check price;** credit cards incur 5% processing fee (fee waived on \$100 deposit). **40 minimum** travelers required at posted prices (54 maximum). MHA reserves the right to make necessary changes.

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