

Family History Sprint

March 2014 – Obtain my ancestor’s patriarchal blessing

Summary:

Find a deceased ancestor that was a member of the church and also received a Patriarchal Blessing. Then request a copy of it from the Church. When requesting the Patriarchal Blessing you will need to provide the following information:



- Your Church membership record number,
- The blessing recipient’s name at the time the blessing was given,
- Birth date of recipient,
- Names of blessing recipient’s parents,
- Approximate year the blessing was given,
- Your relationship to recipient (i.e., to your ancestor).

You should initiate your request early in the month as it may take several weeks to receive the blessing by mail!

• Steps to follow on your PC :

Option 1 (quickest):

- 1- Go directly to the Patriarchal Blessing Request site on the internet:
<https://apps.lds.org/pbrequest/request/ANCESTOR?lang-eng>
- 2- Log in to the site with your LDS Account User Name and Password.
- 3- Follow step 1 by entering the deceased ancestor’s information.
- 4- Scroll down the page and confirm your own information as shown.
- 5- Check the “I certify that...” box and click the “Request Blessing” box.

Option2:

- 1- Go to the LDS.org site and enter “Patriarchal Blessing Request” in the white search box in the upper right corner of the page.
- 2- Click on “**Patriarchal Blessing Requests**”.
- 3- Review the three ways a blessing can be requested, i.e., in person at the Church History Library, through the mail at the address provided, or online.
- 4- If requesting a blessing online, click on the blue “an ancestor’s blessing” in the online paragraph.
- 5- Sign in with your LDS Account User Name and Password. Click on “Sign in”.
- 6- Fill out your deceased ancestor’s information.
- 7- Scroll down and review and confirm your own information as entered by the computer.
- 8- Place a check mark (Click in the box) next to the “I certify that the information...”. Click on the “Request Blessing” box.

- Further help is available on the FamilyTree site. After logging in to FamilyTree, click on ‘**Get Help**’ in the upper right corner of the screen.