

TREK JOURNAL

### Trek Itinerary - June 6-9, 2012

Day 1: Trek 4 miles (Sixth Crossing)

5:30 AM Depart for Sixth Crossing (5 1/2 hours)

11:00 AM Arrive at Sixth Crossing / Set up camp/Lunch

1:00 PM Trek Sweet Water Trail 1 (4 Miles)

5:00 PM Dinner

6:00 PM Pioneer games / Activities

7:00 PM Square Dancing

8:00 PM Family Home Evening / Ephraim Hanks Thisbe Read

10:00 PM Lights Out

#### Day 2: Trek 7 miles (Martin's Cove)

6:30 AM Wake up / Eat breakfast / Pack lunch 8:00 AM Depart for Martin's Cove (1 hour) 9:00 AM Arrive at Martin's Cove / Orientation

10:30 AM Trek Martin's Cove

11:15 AM Cove talk at Dan Jones Cove

12:00 PM Silent walk around Martin's Cove / Journals

1:30 PM Lunch

2:00 PM Trek to statues

2:15 PM Statues

2:45 PM Sweetwater River Crossing (reverent)

3:30 PM Trek back to base

4:30 PM Clean carts

5:00 PM Depart for Sixth Crossing Camp (1 hour)

6:30 PM Simple dinner in families / Personal time / Journals

8:00 PM Devotional/Levi Savage

10:00 PM Lights Out

#### Day 3: Trek 6 miles (Sixth Crossing)

7:00 AM Wake up / Eat breakfast / Pack lunch 9:00 AM Trek Sweet Water Trail 2 (6 Miles)

Vignettes / Share our pioneer stories / Men's Call out

Women's Pull / Willie Account - Lunch

3:30 PM Arrive at camp / Personal time / Journals

4:00 PM Pioneer games / Activities

6:00 PM Dinner

7:00 PM Square Dancing

8:00 PM Pioneer Express / Personal time / Journals

10:00 PM Lights Out

#### Day 4: Rock Creek Hollow

6:45 AM Wake up / Eat breakfast / Pack lunch

7:30 AM Pack up camp

9:00 AM Depart to Rock Creek Hollow (1 1/2 hours)
10:30 AM Arrive at Rock Creek Hollow/Reverent Tribute

11:00 AM Testimony Meeting

12:30 PM Lunch

1:00 PM Depart for home (5 1/2 hours)

6:30 PM Arrive at home





### **Dear Youth:**

Welcome to the 2012 Pioneer Trek. As you know each person between the ages of 12 and 18 was given the opportunity to have this experience.

Each of us had to make a choice to set aside the time and our other interests in order to be a part of this event. Congratulations on having the strength and faith to prepare for this awesome opportunity. We recognize that many have made huge personal sacrifices to be in attendance.

In pioneer times, President Brigham Young asked the members of the church across the world to leave the comforts of their homes and make the long grueling trip to the Salt Lake Valley. Many followed the prophet but for others it was asking too much. Over time, we have seen that for the most part those who followed the prophet were blessed eternally. There was also a positive impact on themselves, their children, and grandchildren for many generations. Many of you are direct descendants of these people. And so we see that the choices that we make will have a good or bad effect on our lives and on the lives of those who come after us.

You have chosen to attend this event and therefore are asked to ask Heavenly Father the following:

- 1. To help you keep a positive and cooperative attitude.
- 2. To help you understand what the Lord wants you to learn from this experience.
- 3. That you can feel and understand His spirit like never before.

If you will do this, you will have an experience that will be life changing for you and your posterity. Please record these experiences and feelings in this journal so that you may have them when you need them.

May the Lord bless all of us over these next few days with the strength and faith to finish this journey that we have started.







"We cannot begin to understand the journeys made by those who laid the foundation of this dispensation until we understand their spiritual underpinnings. Once we make that connection, however, we will begin to see how their journeys parallel ours now. There are lessons for us in every footstep they took - lessons of love, courage, commitment, devotion, endurance, and, most of all, faith. Those 19th century pioneers to whom we pay special tribute never set out to be heroes, and yet they accomplished heroic things. That is what makes them Saints. They were a band of believers who tried to do the right things for the right reasons, ordinary men and women who were called on to perform an extraordinary work. At times, they gave in to their discouragement and allowed themselves to murmur and complain. But ultimately their faith in God and the man they sustained as their prophet and leader prevailed, and they righted their vision and attitudes along with their wagons. In the process they found joy amid the hardships and trials of the trek. No matter how difficult the trail, and regardless of how heavy our load, we can take comfort in knowing that others before us have borne life's most grievous trials and tragedies by looking to heaven for peace, comfort and hopeful reassurance. We can know, as they knew, that God is our Father, that He cares about us individually and collectively,

and that as long as we continue to exercise our faith and trust in Him there is nothing to fear in the journey. Let us remember that the Savior is the Way, the Truth, and the Life, and there can be no greater promise than to know that if we are faithful and true, we will one day be safely encircled in the arms of His love. He is always there to give encouragement, to forgive, and to rescue. Therefore, as we exercise faith and are diligent in keeping the commandments, we have nothing to fear from the journey."

- M. Russell Ballard

I have a desire to leave a record of those scenes and events through which I have passed, that my children, down to my latest posterity may read what their ancestors were willing to suffer, and did suffer, patiently for the Gospel's sake. I also desire them to know that it was in obedience to the commandments of the true and living God, and with the assurance of an eternal reward -- an exaltation to eternal life in his kingdom -- that we suffered these things. I hope, too, that it will inspire my posterity with fortitude to stand firm and faithful to the truth and be willing to suffer, and sacrifice all things they may be required to pass through for the Kingdom of God's sake"

- Elizabeth Horrocks Jackson Kingsford







"It was meant to be that life would be a challenge.	What are you doing to overcome them?
To suffer some anxiety, some depression, some	·
disappointment, even some failure is normal.	
Teach our members that if they have a good	
miserable day once in a while, or several in a	
row, to stand steady and face them. Things will	
straighten out. There is great purpose in our struggle in life"	
- Boyd K. Packer	·
What are your biggest challenges?	
	How have you grown from overcoming them?
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"It is good to look to the past to gain appreciation for the present and perspective for the future. It is good to look up on the virtues of those who have gone before, to gain strength for whatever lies ahead. It is good to reflect upon the work of those who labored so hard and gained so little in this world but out of whose dreams and early plans so well nurtured has come a great harvest of which we are the beneficiaries. Their tremendous example can become a compelling motivation for each of us. For each of us is a pioneer in his own life, often in his own family and many of us pioneer daily in seeking to do God's will and lift and serve those around us."  - Gordon B. Hinckley	What blessings have you received from being part of a family?
What kind of ancestor will you be?	
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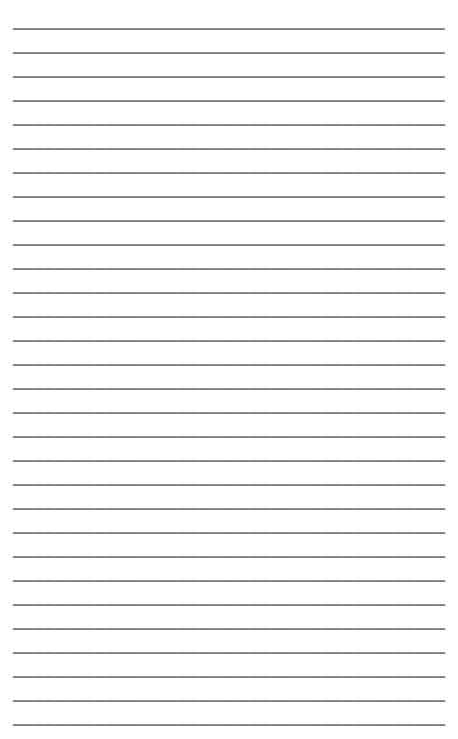
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"... A religion that does not require the sacrifice of all things, never has power sufficient to produce the faith necessary unto life and salvation; ..." Joseph Smith, Jr.

What have you sacrificed to be here? \_\_\_\_

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What is your best memory of Trek, and how will you apply what you learned in the future?	June 6, 2012
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# As Zion's Youth in Latter Days



JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Text: Susan Evans McCloud, b. 1945. (c) 1985 IRI Music: Irish melody, arr. (c) 1985 IRI





## Put Your Shoulder to the Wheel





Unscramble the pioneer words below:

TAICRYH
HTIFA
EOHP
OLYYATL
NODEBEIEC
EFIARCCSI
VECEISR
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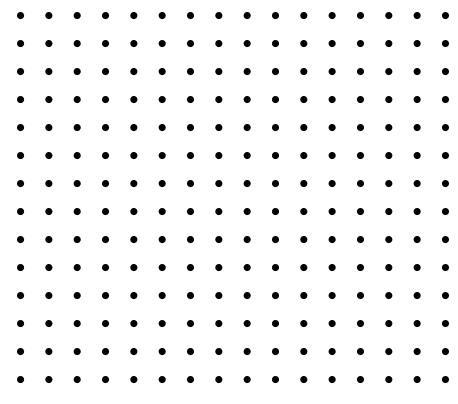


## Come, Come, Ye Saints





Take turns drawing one line at a time between the dots. If you complete a box with your line, put your initial in the box. When the board is full, the person with the most boxes full wins!





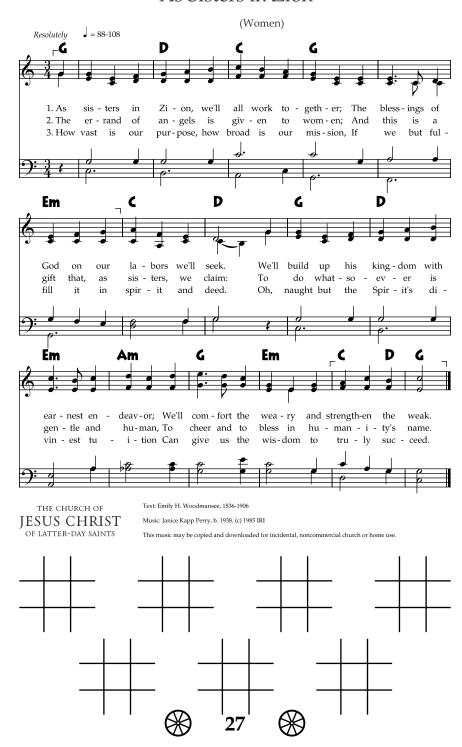




## There Is Sunshine in My Soul Today

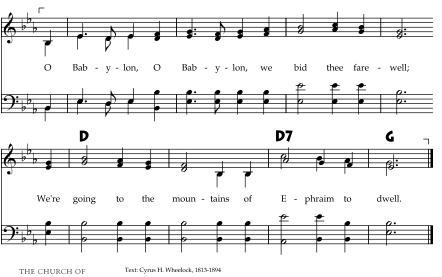


### As Sisters in Zion



## Ye Elders of Israel

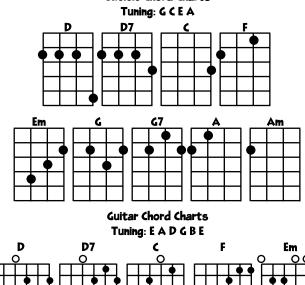


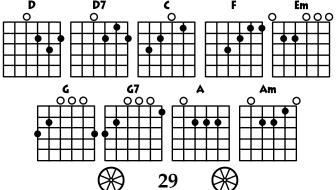


**IESUS CHRIST** OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Music: Thomas H. Bayly, 1797-1839, adapted







## I Am a Child of God



THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Text: Naomi W. Randall, 1908-2001. (c) 1957 IRI

Music: Mildred T. Pettit, 1895-1977. (c) 1957 IRI

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# The Handcart Song



THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Words: Original text by John Daniel Thompson McAllister, 1827-1910; new verse by Lucile Cardon Reading, 1909-1982

Music: John Daniel Thompson McAllister, 1827-1910. Arr. (c) 1989 IRI









# Pioneer Children Sang As They Walked



THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Words and music: Elizabeth Fetzer Bates, 1909-1999. (c) 1957 IRI





A marvelous work has begun to come forth among all the children of men.

O ye that embark in the service of God, give heart, mind, and strength unto him;
For prophets have spoken and angels have come to lift the world from sin,
That Christ may reign over all the earth and bless his gathered kin.

Those marvelous Saints who embraced this great work and shared it in lands far and near; Who gave all their heart, mind, and strength to the Lord with wisdom and vision so clear; Now stand as examples of virtue and faith, of souls prepared to hear, Of knowledge sure, born of humble heart, and love that banished fear.

If we now desire to assist in this work and thrust in our sickles with might, If we will embark in the service of God to harvest in fields that are white; Our souls may receive the salvation of God—the fulness of his light, That we may stand, free of sin and blame, God's glory in our sight.

With faith in ev'ry footstep, we follow Christ, the Lord; And filled with hope through his pure love, we sing with one accord.

> American Fork 18th Ward American Fork 35th Branch

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