

JOSEPH F. SMITH FAMILY ASSOCIATION  
2004

Dear Family,

**November 15, 2004** is the day set aside for our annual celebration of Grandpapa Joseph F. Smith's birthday. **Please plan to attend at the MONUMENT PARK STAKE CENTER, 1320 Wasatch Blvd** (1300 South and 2400 East). Registration begins at 6:30 and the program will begin at 7:00.

*The Board of Trustees would like to offer our sincere apology to those of you who were unable to get seating at last year's reunion.* We understand that many of you left early because of the seating situation. As our family continues to grow, we recognize that with growth comes change. Therefore, in order to accommodate all family members needing seating and the limited amount of space in the chapel, we will need to open the cultural hall and set up chairs so that everyone attending can see and hear the program. Along with this change and the huge amount of time spent in cleanup after the reunion, *we will not have you bring your favorite finger food.* Instead, cookies and drink will be furnished after the program. We hope that this change in format will be considered as being in the best interest of everyone and will give each family member more time to visit and rekindle friendships.

Last year the Educational Outreach Committee was formed to give us the opportunity to have further information about our family history available to all. We would like to especially thank Jim and Mary Summerhayes for their **countless volunteer hours** on our behalf to produce the items that are available at the reunion.

The book "Sometimes You Just Have to Move Across the Ocean" about our grandfather John Lathrop will be on sale again this year at the reunion. There are a few softbound and hardback copies left.

The DVD, "Witness the Restoration—The Smith Family Artifacts and Their Story with Eldred and Hortense Smith" will be sold by Deseret Book for about \$17; however, the family can purchase this DVD at the reunion for the reduced price of \$10. All of the money for the purchase of these items will go directly back into the Education Outreach fund for future productions.

Our committee is looking for people to help us digitize items for our archives by photographing objects or scanning documents. We also need help transcribing letters and other documents in the collection. We need help to catalogue the Smith Family artifacts that are in possession of family members so that we can share these treasures with the entire family on the website [www.josephsmith.org](http://www.josephsmith.org). If you have a digital camera, computer, scanner, or CD burner and would like to help with this effort, please send an email to Jared F. Glade, the website administrator, at [archives@josephsmith.org](mailto:archives@josephsmith.org). Please

list the equipment that you have available and what you would be willing to do in this effort.

We know that many in the family have treasures passed down from Grandpapa or one of his wives, which are of great worth. If you, or someone you know has a book, picture, journal, clothing item, furniture, letter, etc. that has family significance, we would love to come photograph it for the family website so everyone can enjoy the item. We would like to thank all those who have shared in the past, and a special thanks to Jared Glade, who is the webmaster. Our family website is a must see.

Keeping up with the growing Joseph F. Smith family is a formidable task and we are grateful to all those who help in gathering data and addresses for the family. We invite you to visit the [josephsmith.org](http://josephsmith.org) family website. It is constantly being improved and added to. While there, download your genealogy free. This portion of the website is password protected and made available only to family members. Please send updates, corrections or additions to Mary M. Donoho, 1090 Raymond Road, Fruit Heights, UT 84037-2250. Telephone (801) 546-4707 or emails to [thomasj@pathstone.us](mailto:thomasj@pathstone.us). We so appreciate Mary and all of the work she does for us.

As usual, when paying your dues to the association by check, please make the check payable to "The Joseph F. Smith Family Association" and return it in the enclosed envelope. These funds make our mailings, family research and reunion items possible. We thank you in advance for your help.

We look forward to seeing you at the reunion November 15, 2004.

Sincerely,

The Joseph F. Smith Family Association Board of Trustees

P.S. Please have your eight and twelve year olds practice singing "We'll Bring the World His Truth"