CHURCH HISTORY MID-OCTOBER 2025



OCTOBER 16, 2025

Arrive in Philadelphia, PA

Today we arrive in Philadelphia; our landing spot to begin our step-by-step tour of the beginnings of Church history will begin here in the City of Brotherly Love.



OCTOBER 17, 2025

Susquehanna, NY

This morning we will begin our bus ride toward Susquehanna, NY to Harmony, PA and visit the restored Joseph Smith Home and the new Priesthood Restoration Site and Visitor Center.



OCTOBER 18, 2025

Palmyra, NY

We will begin our day with a tour of the Smith Family Farm and visit the replica log home where Joseph lived with his family and where Moroni later appeared in the bedroom loft. The home is adjacent to the Sacred Grove, when in early spring of 1820, Joseph received his First Vision. We will then visit the Grandin Press and then later, Hill Cumorah.



OCTOBER 19, 2025

Niagara Falls, NY

Leaving Palmyra early, we will travel along the Great Lakes stopping at Niagara Falls State Park for a brief visit. We'll have time to discuss doctrines and concepts from the scriptures.



OCTOBER 20, 2025

Kirtland, OH

This morning, we will drive the short distance to Kirtland. We'll visit the Isaac Morley farm. Here we will discuss the visions that took place there and discuss the organization of the Priesthood Quorums for the administration of the Gospel in the Latter-days. We will visit the Kirtland Temple; the first temple constructed in this dispensation designed for the restoration of the priesthood keys. We'll travel to Historic Kirtland, the Whitney Store and home, the hotel, sawmill, and other buildings. In the afternoon, we will begin our journey to Carthage, stopping along the route for the dinner and overnight.



OCTOBER 21, 2025

Carthage, IL

This will be a somber day, for here in this place that was made sacred from the "best blood of the 19th century", the Prophet and his brother Hyrum, patriarch of the Church, were martyred on June 27, 1844.



OCTOBER 22, 2025

Nauvoo, IL

We will spend most of the day here to visit the various sites in Nauvoo, including the Nauvoo House, Joseph Smith's store, the John Taylor home, a brick kiln, and other fascinating places of interest.



OCTOBER 23, 2025

Adam-ondi-Ahman

We can read in the Doctrine and Covenants 107 and other chapters about Adam-Ondi-Ahman. Today, the area is cared for by the Church, a beautiful restful place that where we will have a chance to see this holy ground in person and learn about the key events that happened here in the distant past, and according to scripture, will occur in a future time.



OCTOBER 24, 2025

Kansas City, MO

On this day we will visit the Independence Visitors' Center. Independence was the designated "center place" of Zion (D&C 57:3) where Saints gathered. They began to establish a new community, and prepared to build temples. But their actions and their large population concerned settlers who had arrived there previously. Some of those settlers violently drove the Saints out of the county in 1833. We'll also visit the Liberty Jail Visitors Center, and a reconstruction of a jail where the Prophet Joseph Smith received divine revelations of comfort in March 1839.



OCTOBER 25, 2025

Return flights home

Today we will make our way to the airport for our departure flights home.

