



USING FAMILY HISTORY TO HELP MISSIONARIES

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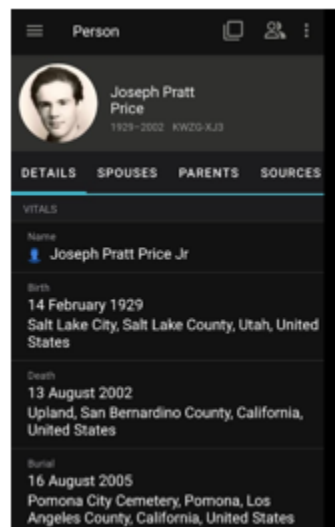
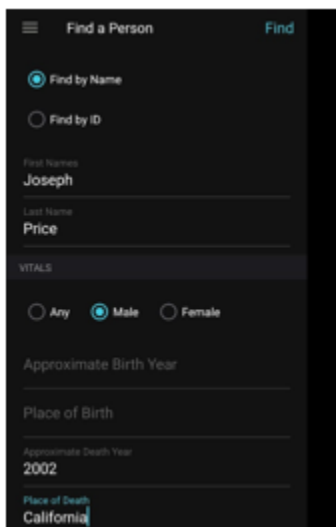
Outline of the class:

- How we can personally use family history to be better missionaries.
- How we can use family history to help our missionaries find people to teach and strengthen new members
- How mission leaders can use family history to strengthen their mission and their missionaries

Three questions we can use to help people see their family:

Use the Find a person feature on the FamilySearch app and ask--

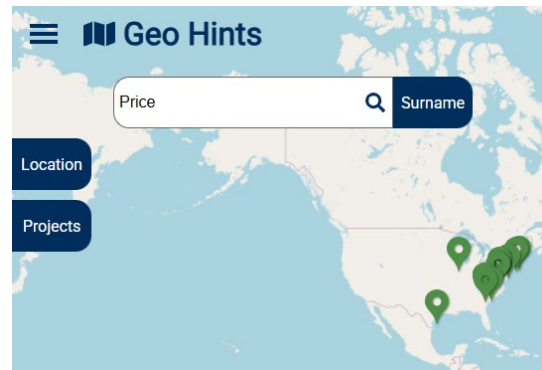
- What is your grandparents' name?
- How long ago did they die?
- Did they die here in _____ or somewhere else?



Three tools that can help grow the Family Tree for a mission

Tool 1: Map App

- geohints.rll.byu.edu
- Find hints based on a person's surname or the country they lived in.
- You can also select hints from RLL tree growing projects, such as from Brazil, Puerto Rico, or France.



Tool 2: Goldie May

- goldiemay.com
- Goldie May is a chrome extension that provides some powerful tools for doing genealogy research.
- There are parts of Goldie May that you need to pay to use (and are worth it), but you can do the volunteering part for free.
- Includes features that let you see if you are related to a person.
- It flags possible duplicates that advanced volunteers can work on.
- Provides great advice for attaching sources and finding death dates for people born after 1910.



Tool 3: Reverse hints

- familysearch.org/search
- You can search any record collection on FamilySearch and look for the icon that looks like a person's head. That icon indicates that the person in that record has a possible match to the Family Tree. Clicking on that icon will take you to Sourcelinker where you can attach that record as a source to the Family Tree and see if there are new information or new people you can add to the Family Tree.

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Principal

United States, Social Security
Numerical Identification Files
(NUMIDENT), 1936-2007



Social Program Correspondence Social
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Fremont Sand*, Ohio, United States

Death 16 July 1998

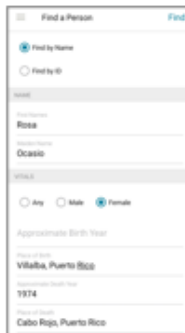
Parents Leo A Dalton, Anna M Walkowiak

Three steps in the process RLL uses to help missions:

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Open FamilySearch Ask 3 Questions:

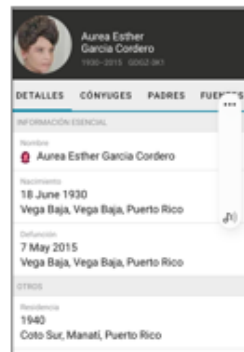
- What is the name of your grandfather?
- How long ago did he die?
- Did he die here in Puerto Rico or somewhere else?



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Email Image screenshot of person found or information about deceased relative

Discovery Experience



"Example Image"

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- BYU RLL Research and Builds Family Tree from image or information

- Notify Missionary by email with results

- **Missionary shares family history experience with investigator or new member!**

Family history can play three key roles in each mission:

- First, it will help retain new converts by strengthening their faith in Jesus Christ as they spend more time in the temple.
- Second, in many missions, family history can be a way of helping people feel the spirit of Elijah and being more open to learn about the gospel.
- Third, family history is a form of gathering Israel that missionaries can continue to do after their mission and continue to feel the spirit.