2025 ULTIMATE CHURCH HISTORY TOUR September 15-29, 2025

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Scot and Maurine Proctor have been leading the Ultimate Church History tour for the past twenty-five years but this year is special! They have revamped the itinerary to give you an even better experience than before. They don't just love this tour, they're passionate about it and promise to make every second count and to be everything and more you expect from one of their tours. During your time on this trip, you'll not only learn and build your faith at these Church History sites, but you'll also have a lot of fun with the American history sites! We'll explore historical Boston, stay in the center of the Amish country (longer this year), we'll enjoy a paddle boat cruise on the Mississippi just to name a few. Join us for a life-changing experience!

Date	Daily Schedule	
09/15 - Mon	Home City, Boston, MA	
09/16 - Tue	Boston, MA	
09/17 - Wed	Lexington, MA	Price from \$4,199 per person/double occupancy
09/18 - Thu	Sharon, VT	
09/19 - Fri	Palmyra, NY	(15 Days/14 Nights)
09/20 - Sat	Palmyra, NY	
09/21 - Sun	Harmony, PA	
09/22 - Mon	Kirtland, OH	
09/23 - Tue	Kirtland, OH - Ohio Amish Country	
09/24 - Wed	Amish Touring - Flight to Kansas City, MO	
09/25 - Thu	Independence, MO	
09/26 - Fri	Adam-ondi-Ahman - Nauvoo, IL	
09/27 - Sat	Nauvoo, IL	
09/28 - Sun	Nauvoo - Carthage	
09/29 - Mon	Mississippi River Boat - St Louis Airport - Home	

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE TOUR:

- 1 tour-bus experience for the whole tour!
- Morris Murdock LDS tour Director for the whole trip along with local guides
- Licensed, insured, and bonded travel agency with 60 years of experience!! IT MATTERS!

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Your Tour Hosts:



Scot and Maurine Proctor are the founders of Meridian Magazine and they have written several books together, including Witness of the Light, Source of the Light, Light from the Dust and The Gathering. They were formerly the editors of This People magazine. After receiving her education from University of Utah and Harvard, Maurine Jensen Proctor, began her writing career with McGraw Hill Magazines and the Chicago Sun-Times. She has created award-winning television documentaries, has written a radio show for more than six years that played on 300 radio stations, and was a long-time writer of The Spoken Word for the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. In his youth, Scot Facer Proctor was given the extraordinary opportunity to live in Ankara, Turkey for two different years. During that time he traveled extensively, studying and following closely the footsteps of the Apostle Paul. These experiences led to a lifetime of immersion in the ancient world and the scriptures. He continues to spend a great deal of time in the Middle East and the Holy Land.

Price includes:

- 1 tour-bus experience for the whole tour
- 14 nights of hotel accommodations
- Meals as specified in the itinerary
- Sightseeing as outlined in the itinerary
- Deluxe air-conditioned motor coach transportation
- Group transfers
- The flight between Cleveland and Kansas City
- Taxes & fees on included services
- Meal gratuities that are included as part of the tour
- Tour audio sound system provided
- Document Package

Price does not include:

- Airfare
- Additional transfers when not arriving or departing with the group
- Items of a personal nature
- Trip cancellation and baggage insurance
- Checked baggage fees
- Bus Driver and Historian gratuities

Pricing Options:

- Double Occupancy: \$4199.00 (2 people sharing a room)
- Triple Occupancy: \$3799.00 (3 people sharing a room)
- Quad Occupancy: \$3699.00 (4 people sharing a room)
- Single Occupancy: \$5699.00 (private room)

Payment Terms:

- \$250 per person due at booking time
- Final payment due June 16, 2025
- A CASH DISCOUNT of \$125.00 per person is available! Please inquire for more details!
- A minimum number of 25 passengers is needed for this tour to depart
- Refer to Terms & Conditions

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To Book This Tour, Contact your favorite Morris Columbus Travel advisor or the Group Tour Manager listed below:

Tour ID #9225115 – Tour Manger: Sarah Wangsgard, phone#: (801) 483-6473, email: swangsgard@morrismurdock.com

Day 1: Monday, September 15, 2025

Home City – Boston, MA Fly to Boston today and stay overnight at the Embassy Suites Boston Logan Airport. Travel safe! **Meals: In-flight**

Day 2: Tuesday, September 16, 2025

Boston, MA

After breakfast, we'll enjoy Boston, walk part of the Freedom Trail, and see "Old Ironsides" and the old North Church. A memorable lecture given at Harvard Square in Cambridge will ring in your ears throughout the trip. We'll get a feeling for the American Revolution and then let you have an enjoyable hour at Quincy Market for dinner where you'll see the famous Faneuil Hall. Tonight we stay at the Colonial Inn in Concord, once owned by Henry David Thoreau. **Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

Day 3: Thursday, June 6, 2024

Sharon, VT - Tunbridge, VT – Bennington, VT

Today our tour begins at the Joseph Smith Memorial in Sharon, Vermont. Joseph Smith was born in the township of Sharon on December 23, 1805. We visit the LDS Visitor's Center and see the unique granite monument, one of the largest in the world, marking his birthplace. Next, we visit Tunbridge, Vermont, which was the first home of Joseph and Lucy Smith. Throughout the day we see the beautiful Vermont landscape and their famous covered bridges as we learn of the early years of the prophet. **Meals : Breakfast, Lunch**

Day 3: Wednesday, September 17, 2025

Lexington, MA

This morning we will relive the first moments of the Revolutionary War and see the place where the shot was fired that was "heard around the world". We will travel the Battle Road, stopping at various points, and even see where Paul Revere was captured by the British. You will come to know Lexington and Concord, and understand those events which brought about the Independence of this great nation and the birthplace of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the latter days. In the afternoon we will visit Louisa May Alcott's home and see the Sleepy Hollow Cemetery where Ralph Waldo Emerson, Henry David Thoreau and the Alcott's are buried. This evening we will have a meal together and we will stay again tonight at the Colonial Inn. **Meals : Breakfast, Dinner**

Day 4: Thursday, September 18, 2025 *Sharon, VT* Early this morning we leave for Sharon, Vermont and to Dairy





Hill where we will experience strong feelings of the Spirit at the birthplace of the prophet Joseph. We will visit the towns of Sharon, Turnbridge, and, time permitting, Norwich and Lebanon. Here we will get a feel for the first twenty years of marriage of Lucy Mack and Joseph Smith Sr. This evening we will have dinner and stay in the Best Western Inn & Suites in Rutland, VT.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 5: Friday, September 19, 2025

Palmyra, NY

Leaving New England the scenery changes as we wind our way south and west to fertile fields and lovely lands of Western New York. We will enjoy stories of early church leaders of the church, where they came from and how they came to know the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Tonight we will stay in the Woodcliff Hotel and Spa in Fairport (near Rochester), New York (just off the Erie Canal, not too far from Palmyra) and ready ourselves for a spiritual feast tomorrow. Dinner will be at your discretion with a cash stipend at the amazing Wegmans Food Store & Deli.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 6: Saturday, September 20, 2025

Palmyra, NY

This morning we will be at the Sacred Grove, for many this experience is the highlight of the whole trip. We will have our own, individual quiet time in the Grove. Afterwards, enjoy the Smith farm, tour the newly refinished Smith farm House and the Smith Log Cabin (where the Angel Moroni visited the prophet). We will also visit the Hill Cumorah, Martin Harris Farm, the E.B. Grandin Printing Complex and the downtown village of Palmyra. Our little walk up the hill to the Smith Cemetery will touch you as we gather at the grave of Alvin Smith. Dinner will be at 'Applebee's' before we stay again at the Woodcliff Hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 7: Sunday, September 21, 2025

Harmony, PA

This morning we head to Fayette where the Whitmer's lived and the Church was legally organized on April 6, 1830. Twenty revelations for the Doctrine and Covenants were received here. This is also the place where Martin Harris, Oliver Cowdrey and David Whitmer received their special witness of the plates. We will attend sacrament meeting at the Fayette Ward then head south to Harmony, Pennsylvania to visit the new Priesthood Restoration site. Here we will see the reconstructed homes of Joseph and Emma Smith, Isaac and Elizabeth Hale, and the woods where John the Baptist restored the priesthood. A good part of the Book









of Mormon was translated here. Next, we will walk along the banks of the Susquehanna River where the first baptisms were performed in this dispensation. Check into the Double Tree Inn in Binghamton for dinner and overnight stay. **Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

Day 8: Monday, September 22, 2025

Kirtland, OH

Today we travel through some of the western regions of New York and review the missionary labors of Samuel Smith and Parley P. Pratt. The latter headed for Ohio where their labors would change the history of the Church because of the conversion of Sidney Rigdon. About midmorning we will make a stop in Corning at the glass factory en route to Kirkland, Ohio. We will arrive there in the late afternoon and tour the Newell K. Whitney Store as well as see some of the other Kirkland sites from the bus. Be prepared for a spiritual feast at the Whitney Store. Dinner will be at Olive Garden before checking into the best Western Lawnfield Inn & Suites in Mentor, Ohio. **Meals : Breakfast, Dinner**

Day 9: Tuesday, September 23, 2025

Kirtland, OH - Ohio Amish Country

This morning Breakfast is provided at the hotel before we tour the Kirkland Temple where The Lord Himself appeared as did Moses, Elias, Elijah, and numerous other angels. We will travel on to the John Johnson farm where the vision of the three degrees of glory. Here the Prophet and Sidney Rigdon were mobbed, beaten and the Prophet tarred and feathered. This afternoon we travel to the heart of the Ohio Amish Country for an old fashioned home style meal at the Dutch Valley Restaurant. Our hotel tonight will be at the charming Carlisle Inn. **Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

Day 10: Wednesday, September 24, 2025

Amish Touring - Flight to Kansas City, MO

This morning we'll enjoy the beauty of the simple life of the Amish. We'll start on the back roads to the Hershberger Bakery and Farmers Market for a sensory overload of baked goods, jams & jellies and locally made crafts! We continue then to Heini's Cheese Factory to sample over 80 varieties of locally made cheeses before our horse & buggy ride to the house tour at the Yoder Farm. We'll see two houses, one similar to how the Amish lived when they first came to America, and a modern day home featuring Amish girls baking and canning in the kitchen! Afterwards we'll get to indulge in all the goodness you've witnessed with our traditional Amish lunch. One of the best meals on tour! Later this afternoon we will depart for the Cleveland airport for our flight to Kansas City. Our hotel for the next two nights is the









Drury Inn in Kansas City, MO. Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 11: Thursday, September 25, 2025

Independence, MO

This morning we will visit Independence. We will enjoy the LDS Visitor's Center and see the Jackson County Courthouse. We then head north to the Liberty Jail where the Prophet and his companions were imprisoned through the cold months of the winter of 1838/1839. Here we will feel the Spirit as we read the revelations and hear the voices of the past. **Meals: Breakfast**

Day 12: Friday, September 26, 2025

Adam-ondi-Ahman - Nauvoo, IL

We head for our morning devotional service at Adam-ondi-Ahman then visit the Temple site at Far West before heading east along the approximate path the Saints were driven. We will stay at the Nauvoo Family Inn for the remaining nights. **Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

Day 13: Saturday, September 27, 2025

Nauvoo, IL

Our day begins with an early morning opportunity to serve at the Nauvoo Temple (attendance at the Temple is optional). This morning we step back in time and spend a glorious day touring the sites of Old Nauvoo. We'll hear stories of the past and get a feel for "the city of Joseph". We will see the moving Relief Society Gardens where thirteen monuments to women will touch your soul. We will tour Brigham Young's home, the Printing Complex, the Blacksmith Shop, the Seventies Hall and as many other places as we can squeeze in. You may receive a Nauvoo brick and a prairie diamond as authentic souvenirs. Tonight we dine at the old Nauvoo Hotel with their wonderful all-you-can eat dinner. **Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

Day 14: Sunday, September 28, 2025

Nauvoo - Carthage

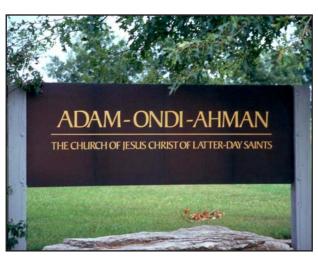
We will attend Sacrament Meeting in the Nauvoo Ward, and then tour more of Nauvoo. This afternoon we travel south and east to our final stop, the Carthage Jail. Here we will have one of the highlight experiences of the trip as we review the events of Carthage, talk about feelings for Joseph and Hyrum, and end the tour with a testimony meeting. **Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

Day 15: Monday, September 29, 2025

Mississippi River Boat - St Louis Airport - Home

As we say our farewell to Nauvoo, we continue on to Mark Twain's Hannibal on the Mississippi River where we'll take a luncheon cruise on a riverboat. Following lunch, we'll drive to St. Louis for our evening flight home. **Meals: Breakfast, Lunch**







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