

# **When Doubts and Questions Arise:** **Church History and European Saints**

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# Europe at a glance

An overview of the continent and Church



# 829,173,007

Estimated population of Europe

# 727,559,682

European Internet users (87.7% of total population)

# 340,891,620

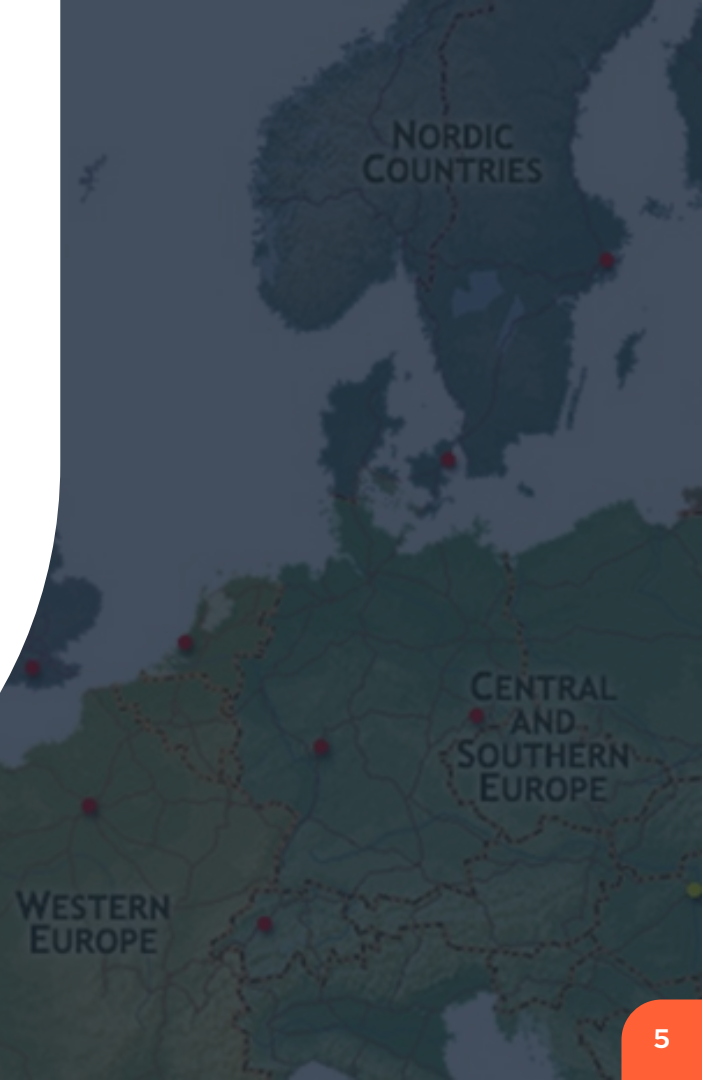
European Facebook users (41.1% of total population)

## Europe East Area



For today's European  
“converts...Everything depends on  
one's own resources, insofar as  
these can be acquired through  
spiritual experiences and  
reinforced in the normally small  
LDS communities. European Saints  
today who remain faithful and  
active are indeed a tough breed.

Jan Shipps, 2008





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# Resource Availability

Accessing publications, information, and contacts

**Patrick Q. Mason, *Planted: Belief and Belonging in an Age of Doubt* (Salt Lake City, UT: Deseret Book, 2015).**

**Laura Harris Hales, ed., *A Reason for Faith* (Salt Lake City, UT: Deseret Book, 2016).**

**New paperback**

**USA: \$15.99**

**France: \$33.96 | 112.4%**

**UK: \$27.77 | 73.7%**

**Spain: \$33.86 | 111.7%**

**New hardback**

**USA: \$24.99**

**France: \$49.87 | 99.5%**

**UK: \$40.93 | 63.8%**

**Spain: \$49.87 | 99.5%**

Prices compared from the various Amazon country sites in July 2020

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# Latter-day Saints Online



The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (often known as the Mormons) was organised in 1830. Many think of the Church as an American organisation but few appreciate that it has been present in the British Isles since 1837. Between then and the turn of the century around 100,000 converts joined the Church in Britain before emigrating. For over 50 years, from 1840 onwards, the Church was dominated by British converts. Even today a significant portion of the American members are descended from those British converts. Many important events took place here and many of the Church's well known leaders gained experience while labouring on our shores.

With around 180,000 members currently in the British Isles, this web site sets out to provide an understanding of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, its British history and the activities of the Church here now. It provides a useful resource both to members of the Church and to those interested in finding out more.



# Country Sites

[www.lds.org.uk](http://www.lds.org.uk)  
April 2001

# July 2020

## UK & Ireland Church History



*Early History*



*Pioneering Members*



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*Chapels*



*Latest Article Added*

The Patriarchal Mission of James H Wallis

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## Pioneering Members

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### ***The Patriarchal Mission of James H Wallis***

In 1931, James and Elizabeth Wallis arrived in the British Mission to strengthen the Church and fulfil a unique mission.



### ***The Living and the Dead Shall Hear the Gospel***

I present this story as told by my ancestor George Budd for faith-promoting purposes, and hope that all who read it will be impressed



### ***'To Gather with Gods People': Robert Hazen***

At age fourteen, Robert, a native of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, secured an apprenticeship as a moulder.



### ***Rescued: The story of May Blakemore Harman***

My great grandmother, Mary Ann Oxen, was the first of my family to join the Church, in 1903 in Birmingham



### ***John Parry***

Stonemason, Welshman, first conductor of the Tabernacle Choir

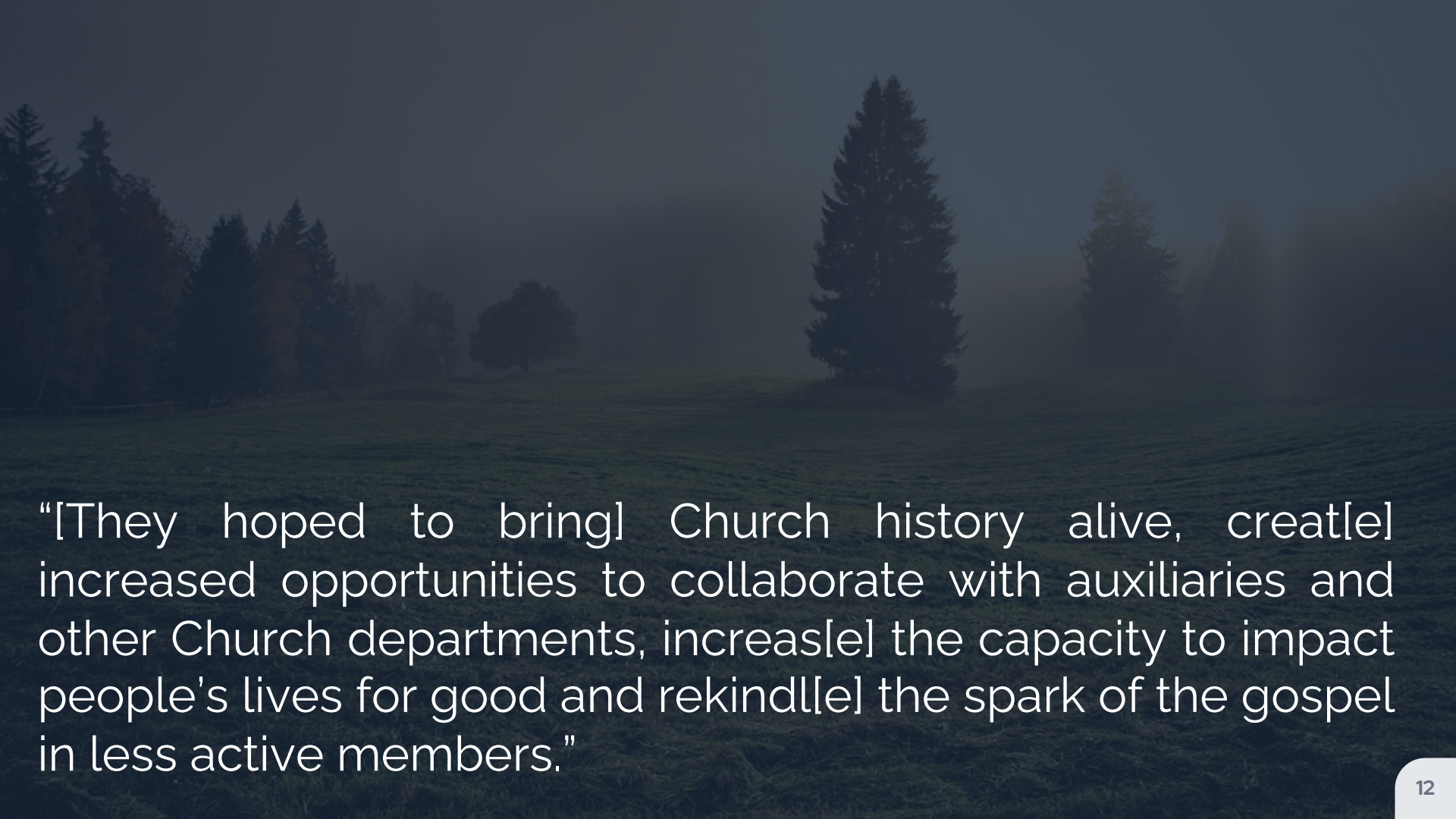


A group of people are seated around a long table in a room, possibly a church hall, engaged in a discussion. In the background, several large posters are displayed on the wall, each featuring a historical building or monument and a title. The posters are titled 'KIRKLAND TEMPLE', 'PRESTON CHURCH', 'GADSFIELD ELM', and 'EMIGRANTS STATUE'. The room has a whiteboard on the left wall and a piano in the background.

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# Church History in Europe

A Promising Future



“[They hoped to bring] Church history alive, creat[e] increased opportunities to collaborate with auxiliaries and other Church departments, increas[e] the capacity to impact people’s lives for good and rekindl[e] the spark of the gospel in less active members.”



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# Church Building Program

A Promising Future

## Church Building Programme







# CHURCH BUILDERS REUNION

SATURDAY  
18TH  
AUGUST  
2018



PRESTON ENGLAND  
TEMPLE SITE  
CHORLEY, PR6 7EQ





## Skills not lost



# Church Builders and Organizers, Aug. 2018





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# A Pronounced Revelation

Elder L. Tom Perry and the Young Single Adults of Europe

“I had an impression  
that the young  
adults were the  
future of the Church  
in Europe and I  
needed to focus on  
them.”

Elder L. Tom Perry, 'We Were the Greatest Generation,'  
March 6, 2011, BYU Devotional.







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# If Sunday School and Institute is not the right place, where is?

Networks and Events for Young Latter-day Saints in Europe



**To enable young Latter-day Saints from Europe to meet in an intellectually stimulating climate and explore together how religious faith can be an active part of living in European society.**

EuroSeminar objective

## 2016 London EuroSeminar



# 2019 Prague EuroSeminar



Dalton Bradford



**To provide Latter-day Saint scholars with the opportunity to connect and collaborate, and to create a space for faithful discussion of Mormonism within an academic environment.**

A full-page background image showing the Earth's horizon from space. The sun is rising directly behind the horizon, creating a bright orange and yellow glow that illuminates the atmosphere. The Earth's surface is visible as a dark blue and black arc, with white clouds scattered across it. The sky above the horizon is a deep black, filled with numerous small white stars.

**A WORLDWIDE FAITH  
REQUIRES A WORLDWIDE APPROACH**

# Thank you

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