Go to familysearch.org to register for a free account.

Fill out the information about yourself. Your membership number can be obtained from the ward clerk, back of your temple recommend, or your phone under “LDS TOOLS” app. Answer “No” to the question “Are you a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints?”, if you are not a member and they will ask for a birthdate instead of a membership number. They will send you email confirmation, and then you are ready to start. You will then want to go into your settings located under your name and go into the 5 tabs below.

**ACCOUNT** You will need to sign up with a Username and Password which you will sign in with every time you go into FamilySearch. You can see your membership number. The “Helper Number” is what you give someone if you want them to get into your tree and possibly make changes. Or you would get someone else’s Helper Number if you are helping them.

**CONTACT** You can make any of this information public or private. Your email should be public so anyone wanting to collaborate with you on your family tree will be able to get hold of you. Put in your mobile phone number if you would like FamilySearch to text you should you forget your password.
NOTIFICATIONS  put a check mark here if you want to receive email notifications when another user contacts you through FamilySearch messaging.

Check mark the boxes that you want to receive notifications on. It is a good idea to check them all so you can keep up on the FT announcements, or changes made to your tree by others, etc.

PREFERENCES put a check mark by “Show LDS Temple Information” if you want to see LDS ordinances. Uncheck if you do not want LDS ordinances to show.

You can choose to start with another person in your tree if you didn’t want it to be you.

CONNECTED ACCOUNTS  If I see anything here, it means I am connected to these accounts. I have registered for these and I have a password. If I can’t remember my password, I go into that account and say “forgot password” and they will allow me to reset it. If I see nothing here, it means I am not connected to any partner sites and I can sign up for them. The person on the left is signed up for 3 partner sites.

Click “Revoke Access” if you no longer want to use a site.