

# Coleman History – Time Line

## England to Nauvoo to Utah to Arizona

[A beginning Time Line with only the people who joined the church  
– someone needs to add the rest of the details.]

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1783	Corse, Glouc, Eng	<b>Ann Sparkes</b> is born to <b>Thomas &amp; Ann Gurney Sparkes</b> [She later marries <b>Thomas Eagles</b> .]
1784	of Appreley, Glous, Eng	<b>William Crook</b> is born to --- & --- Crook [He later marries <b>Margaret Lane</b> .]
1803 Jan 20	Arley, Bedfs, Eng	<b>Prime Coleman</b> is born to <b>George &amp; Sarah Coleman</b> – one of 17 children three sets of twins, a set of triplets, - only 8 lived to adulthood <u>Coleman Pioneers of Utah</u> , Arthur Coleman, 1962?
1806 June 11	St Neots, Hunts, Eng Little Paxton, Huntingtons, Eng	<b>Sarah Thornton</b> is born to <b>William &amp; Elizabeth Christian Thornton</b> “She and her older sister, June, were left motherless at the age of 10 and 11, their mother dying August 23, 1816...” “Personal Record” of Sarah Thornton, written by a daughter
1811 Oct 31	Eng	<b>Primes</b> father <b>George Coleman</b> died – he left a will naming <b>Prime</b>
1816 Aug 23	Eng	<b>Elizabeth Christian Thornton</b> dies “She [ <b>Sarah</b> ] and her older sister, June, were left motherless at the age of 10 and 11, their mother dying August 23, 1816. The father placed the two girls in a boarding school and afterwards re-married.” [ This was a very strict environment. See Personal Record for more details.] “ <b>Sarah Thornton</b> decided then and there that should she ever have children, they should never acquire their education at a boarding school. ...She remained at this school about ten years when she met, and after a courtship of six weeks, married <b>Prime Coleman</b> , a son of <b>George Coleman</b> and <b>Elizabeth Prime</b> , born in 1804 “Personal Record” of Sarah Thornton, written by a daughter
1822	Plymouth, Devon, Eng	<b>Elias Eagles</b> is born to <b>Thomas &amp; Ann Sparkes Eagles</b> [He later marries <b>Mary Crook</b> .]
1822	Plymouth, Devon, Eng	<b>Mary Crook</b> is born to <b>William &amp; Margaret Lane Crook</b> [She later marries <b>Elias Eagles</b> & Mr Knell.]
1824 June 16	Eng	<b>Sarah</b> wife of <b>George Coleman</b> died
1826 Aug 26	Arley?, Eng	<b>Prime Coleman</b> marries <b>Sarah Thornton</b> <u>Coleman Pioneers of Utah</u> , Arthur Coleman, 1962? <b>Sarah Thornton</b> “... met, and after a courtship of six weeks, married <b>Prime Coleman</b> , a son of <b>George Coleman</b> and <b>Elizabeth Prime</b> , born in 1804 at Arley, Bedfordshire, England.” “The young man’s father told him he was making a mistake by marrying a girl who had spent most of her life in a boarding school...” “There was plenty of hired help, both in the house and on the farm, so the mother’s only work was looking after the children and managing the household affairs. [The father-in-law changed his mind.] ...This families washing was done every six weeks, and the task was not finished in less than three days...” “Personal Record” of Sarah Thornton, written by a daughter
1831/2 Sept 22	Thorncot, Bedfrb, Eng	<b>Prime Thornton Coleman</b> is born to <b>Prime &amp; Sarah Thornton Coleman</b> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> child <u>Coleman Pioneers of Utah</u> , Arthur Coleman, 1962?
1840 Mar 20	Deerhurst, Appreley, Glous, Eng	<b>Margaret Lane Crook</b> is baptized into LDS Church
1840 Aug	Deerhurst, Appreley, Glous, Eng	<b>Ann Sparkes Eagles</b> is baptized into LDS Church
1841 Aug	Eng	<b>Prime Coleman</b> is baptized into LDS Church by Elder Joseph Brotherton. “The earliest record of any Mormon activity in Thorncote is found in <u>The Millennial Star</u> , in July 1841, ...a letter to Parley P Pratt at Manchester” “World Conference on Records 1980, v-6 , 424- Barton, Noel?”
1841 Oct 12	Plymouth?, Devon, Eng	<b>Mary Crook</b> is baptized into LDS Church

1841-2	Plymouth?, Devon, Eng	<b>Elias Eagles</b> is baptized into LDS Church
1841-2	Eng	<b>Prime Thornton Coleman</b> is baptized into LDS Church
1842 Jan 29	Bedford, Eng	<p>"<b>Prime Coleman</b> wrote to the Archdeacon of Bedford to inform him that a certain building in Thorncote, in possession of Prime Coleman, was being used as a place of religious worship by an assembly of Protestants or Mormons.</p> <p>"Lorenzo Snow served within the Bedfordshire Conference of the British Mission. You can see that he was probably at Thorncote on New Year's Day. He emigrated in 1843 to America on the same ship with Christopher Layton (Christopher came with the Colemans!)</p> <p>"World Conference on Records 1980, v-6 , 424- Barton, Noel?"</p>
1842 Oct 180	Thorncot, Bedfrb, Eng	<p><b>Sarah Thornton</b> is baptized into LDS Church</p> <p>"Mrs. Coleman was much more inclined towards religion than her husband, and she often said that while she attended church, he enjoyed more to rest at home, reading and smoking his pipe. When the Elders found them, the Coleman family was not long in making their decision to join the church and come to the new world. So with their four children, who were over eight years of age, were baptized in 1841 and 1842. On the first of January 1843, they left their home in Thorncot in a large baggage wagon, and began the journey to America." Christopher Layton went with them.</p> <p>[See Personal Record for more details.]</p> <p>"Personal Record" of Sarah Thornton, written by a daughter</p>
1843 Jan 1	Thorncot, Bedfrb, Eng	<p>"...<b>Prime Coleman</b> &amp; his family, and Christopher Layton and Mary Matthews Layton, left Thorncote in a large baggage wagon for Wolverhampton where they left the wagons and went by train to Liverpool.</p> <p>"According to the branch records, those who left the Thorncote Branch were <b>Prime Coleman, Sr., Sarah Thornton Coleman</b>, George Coleman, Sarah Coleman, <b>Prime Coleman, Jr.</b>, Anne Coleman, Elizabeth Coleman, Lucy Brown, Christopher Layton, and Mary Matthews Layton."</p> <p>"World Conference on Records 1980, v-6 , 424- Barton, Noel?"</p>
	Nauvoo, Ill	<p><b>Prime &amp; Sarah Thornton Coleman</b> leave Eng for Nauvoo, Ill</p> <p>"Both went through the mobbings and drivings incident to the early rise of the church."  <u>Coleman Pioneers of Utah</u>, Arthur Coleman, 1962? (p 257-8)</p>
1843 May 14	Nauvoo, Ill	<b>Prime &amp; Sarah Thornton Coleman</b> receive their patriarchal blessings from Hiram Smith
1844 June 11	Nauvoo, Ill	<b>Prime Coleman</b> dies – typhus, at Hiram Smith farm Buried in a well with several others.
1850 Fall	Salt Lake Valley, Utah	<p><b>Sarah Thornton Coleman</b> &amp; her kids arrive in Salt Lake Valley &amp; spent the winter in Salt Lake City area. They came with the David Evans group  Settled in "Evansville" later named Lehi. – Dry Creek – <b>Prime T</b> was 20 years old – <b>Sarah</b>, a widow was 45  <u>Coleman Pioneers of Utah</u>, Arthur Coleman, 1962?"</p>
1852 Oct 20	Eng	<b>William Crook</b> is baptized into LDS Church
1856 Nov	Arlesy?, Eng	<p><b>Prime Thornton Coleman</b> marries Emma Beck Evans (Daughter of David Evans) "...they left Lehi to settle the "Muddy" or Santa Clara River in southern part of the State and later moved to Apache County, Arizona."  (p 19)</p> <p>"...they were called as missionary settlers to the Santa Clara on the Muddy in Southern Utah.</p> <p>"That mission spelled hardship and deprivations, social and spiritual and educational isolation which seemed to forecast ... the life path of this nucleus of the family.</p> <p>"They left Lehi taking with them all of their worldly goods, which consisted of a span of Spanish ponies... A light wagon, the bed of which was six inches deep back of the seat. ...No bows or cover on the wagon." (more details on p 258)  (p 258–274; great details of the move to Ariz.)  <u>Coleman Pioneers of Utah</u>, Arthur Coleman, 1962?"</p>
1857	Burlington, Des Moines, Iowa	<b>Elizabeth Eagles</b> is born to Elias & Mary Crook Eagles

1864 Nov	Arlesy?, Eng	<b>Prime Thornton Coleman</b> marries 2) <b>Elizabeth Eagles</b> ( Daughter of <b>William Eagles &amp; Mary Crook</b> ) They had 8 kids. <b>Prime Thornton Coleman</b> kept a diary during 1879 in So. Utah <u>Coleman Pioneers of Utah</u> , Arthur Coleman, 1962?
1878 July 29	Kanab, Kane, Utah	<b>John Robert Coleman</b> is born to <b>Prime Thornton Coleman &amp; Elizabeth Eagles</b>
1901 June 4	Springerville, Apache, Ariz	<b>John Robert Coleman</b> marries <b>Mary Elzade Averett</b>
1917 Sept 21	Springerville, Apache, Ariz	<b>Leland George Coleman</b> is born to <b>John Robert Coleman &amp; Mary Elzade Averett</b>
1938 Apr 17	Prescott, Yavapai, Ariz	<b>Leland George Coleman</b> marries <b>Louise Wilma Simmons</b>

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