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Greetings

We are pleased to share with you our latest newsletter. This issue highlights the release of the most recent volume in *The Joseph Smith Papers*—[Revelations and Translations, Volume 5: Original Manuscript of the Book of Mormon](#).

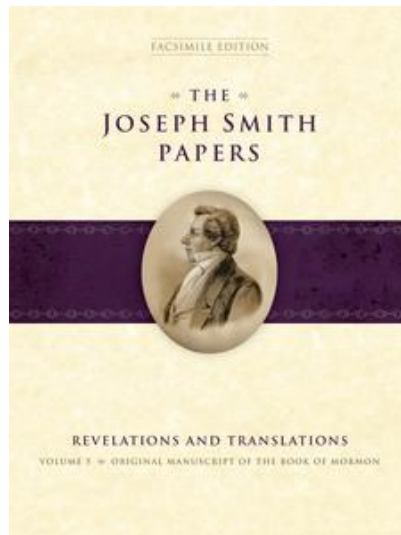
We also feature our latest web release, the call for papers for the 2022 Joseph Smith Papers Conference, and the availability of the 2021 Joseph Smith Papers Conference presentations on our website.

Sincerely,

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The Church Historian's Press Releases Landmark Volume on Book of Mormon Manuscript



The Church Historian's Press recently released [The Joseph Smith Papers, Revelations and Translations, Volume](#)

[5: Original Manuscript of the Book of Mormon](#), which gives readers unprecedented access to the earliest Book of Mormon manuscript through full-color photographs, a color-coded transcript, [introductions](#), and reference material.

One of the most significant documents in the history of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, the original manuscript was penned by Oliver Cowdery and other scribes as Joseph Smith dictated the text of the Book of Mormon between April and June 1829. The Book of Mormon was first published in 1830 and remains a central volume in the Latter-day Saint scriptural canon.

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Latest Content on Joseph Smith Papers Website

The Joseph Smith Papers is pleased to announce its latest web release. This release features the entirety of [Documents, Volume 9: December 1841–April 1842](#), including all annotations and introductions. The release also features an introduction and documents relating to Joseph Smith’s [financial agents](#) in Ohio; [Trustees Land Book B](#); introductions and documents to twelve [legal cases](#) from Illinois; the first of two [deed record books](#) for Nauvoo, Illinois; and transcripts from several letters in Joseph Smith’s [office papers](#).

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Joseph Smith Papers Conference Call for Papers 2022

To commemorate the release of volumes 12, 13, and 14 of the Documents series, the Joseph Smith Papers Project will host the sixth annual Joseph Smith Papers Conference on September 9, 2022, in Salt Lake City, Utah. In the event that COVID-19 conditions prevent holding an in-person conference, digital options will be offered. The theme of the conference is “Texts and Contexts in Nauvoo.”

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2021 Joseph Smith Papers Conference Presentations

The 2021 Joseph Smith Papers Conference presentations are now available on the Joseph Smith Papers website. Due to the global pandemic, the fifth annual Joseph Smith Papers Conference was broadcast digitally to allow for both local and global participation from presenters and audience members. Each participant has graciously shared a video of his or her presentation online, and links to [these proceedings](#) are provided as a convenience. The theme for the 2021 conference was “Joseph Smith and Sacred Text in Nineteenth-Century America.”

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