A Tanner Bibliography 1959–2014

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A Tanner Bibliography 1959–2014 contains a list of publications written by Jerald and Sandra Tanner. It is compiled, as far as possible, in chronological order. The listing with title and short comment is based upon the format prepared by Robert R. Black in 1970. Jerald and Sandra first started publishing their works in a mimeograph format. They later used offset printing. The following publications are considered both of their writings and exceptions will have each name after the title. For a very short period they wrote papers while living in North Hollywood, California. All other publications were done in Salt Lake City, Utah. Sandra Tanner is listed as editor of the Salt Lake City Messenger commencing October 2003. Jerald Tanner died on October 1, 2006.

Not included in this bibliography are cassette tapes, videos, postings on web site, newspaper advertisements, introductions to reprinted publications, short handouts on various topics, and reprints of church periodicals. A few exceptions are listed. [Digital books are not included in this list. See http://www.utlm.org/booklist/digitalbooks.htm ] “Ad” at the end of an entry means advertisement for the book by the Tanners and is included without quotation marks. All other notations are my own.

Publications of Jerald and Sandra Tanner

Believed the Bible and the Book of Mormon 1959–1962

1959

Does the Book of Mormon Teach Racial Prejudice? by Jerald Tanner. 1 page.
Quotes from the Book of Mormon on racial prejudice.

Circa 1959–1960

Side-by-side comparison of quotes from the teachings of the Book of Mormon and LDS Church teachings.

How Dependable is the Doctrine and Covenants? 5 pages.
Discusses the printing of the Book of Commandments in 1833. In 1835 the revelations were again printed; and the name of the book changed to the “Doctrine and Covenants.” New revelations were added to this book, and many of the previous revelations were revised. (p. 1)

LDS Church Authorities Speak on Blood Atonement. 3 pages.
Quotes from past and present leaders of the LDS Church on the Blood Atonement teaching.

The Mormon Church and Plural Marriage. 5 pages.
Condemns the practice of plural marriage.
1960

*Out of Darkness, into the “Sonlight”* by Sandra Tanner. 2 pages.  
Explains her conversion to Christ.

*The Father and the Son?* 5 pages.  
Quotes early church leaders on the First Vision. “No one can really believe the Book of Mormon, and still believe that God the Father and his Son, Jesus Christ, appeared to Joseph Smith as two separate personages!” (p. 4)

Open letter to “Dear Friend” by Sandra Tanner. 2 pages.  
Tells about withdrawing from LDS Church and lists seven reasons “I have found that since I accepted Jesus Christ as my personal Savior that I cannot reconcile the teachings of the church with those of Christ. . . . The church does not put enough emphasis on Christ and His marvelous atonement. It is too much ‘church’ and not enough ‘Christ.’” (p. 1)

Open letter to “Dear Friend” by Sandra Tanner. 1 page.  
Corrects an error in the previous open letter. “Some time ago I wrote a letter stating my reasons for withdrawing from the church. In it I stated that there was no Mormon or anti-Mormon literature published before 1870 which identified the personages in the first vision as God the Father and His Son, Jesus Christ. I would like to apologize, for I have found that an anti-Mormon writer named John Hyde, in his book ‘Mormonism,’ published in 1857, states that Joseph saw God and Christ in 1820.” (p. 1)

*A Comparison of the Teachings of the Book of Mormon and Those of the LDS Church.* 6 pages.  
A revision of *Do You Realize?*

1961

Open letter to “Dear Sir” by Sandra Tanner. 1 page.  
Asks for help in getting early church documents, journals and manuscripts housed in the Church Historian’s Office microfilmed.

*Changes in the Book of Mormon.* 2 pages.  
Compares four important changes in 1 Nephi.

*Does the Book of Mormon Agree with the Bible?* 5 pages.  
A comparison of 17 items that the Bible and Book of Mormon teach, to show that the Book of Mormon agrees with the teachings of the Bible.

*Joseph Smith Speaks on the First Vision.* 1 page.  
Compares an excerpt from the *Deseret News* and the *History of the Church* on the First Vision.

*The Book of Commandments.* 2 pages [also a 4-page version]  
Problems in obtaining a copy of *A Book of Commandments.*
Circa 1961

Heaven Three Kingdoms or One? 7 pages.
“One of these false doctrines that the Bible and Book of Mormon grow together to confound is the doctrine of three kingdoms in heaven.” (p. 1)

Circa 1961–1962

Revealing Facts Concerning the Revelations. 16 pages.
Contains background to the publication of the Book of Commandments and changes in some of Joseph Smith’s revelations.

Suppression of the Records. 6 pages.
Excerpts from letters received in their project of having historical records microfilmed.

The Book of Mormon and Plural Marriage. 27 pages.
Quotes from early leaders and members on polygamy.

The Priesthood. 7 pages.
Contains a copy of page 577 of Andrew Jenson’s Biographical Encyclopedia on Elijah Abel who had been ordained to the priesthood during the lifetime of Joseph Smith. Abel, a black man, was ordained to the office of Elder and Seventy. Also discusses the restoration of the priesthood, ordination of High Priests and ordaining young boys.

The Truth about Blood Atonement and the Danites. 11 pages.
Contains a list of capital crimes, information concerning the Danites in Missouri and Joseph Smith joining the Masonic Lodge at Nauvoo, Illinois.

Who Censored the Joseph Smith Story? 22 pages.
 Replies to a series of articles published in the Improvement Era by Dr. Hugh Nibley on “Censoring the Joseph Smith Story.” “The teaching that the Father and the Son appeared to Joseph Smith in the year 1820, is used to try to prove that there is a plurality of Gods. This is in contradiction to the teachings of the Book of Mormon.” (pp. 17-18)

1962

Solving the Racial Problem in Utah. 10 pages.
Seventeen questions and answers are given to better understand and solve the racial problem in Utah.


Decided that the Book of Mormon was not true
1962

*The Facts about the Book of Mormon* by Jerald Tanner. 28 pages.

This booklet became chapter 3 in *Mormonism (A Study of Mormon History and Doctrine)*, 1963. “Did Joseph Smith use a stone in a hat to translate. Has the Book of Mormon been changed. Does the Book of Mormon fulfill Bible prophecy. Does archeology prove the Book of Mormon is true. Were the plates necessary for translating[?]” (Cover). The position is against the Book of Mormon.

1963

*Mormonism (A Study of Mormon History and Doctrine)* by Jerald Tanner. 262 pages.

Contents 21 chapters:

- Preface
- 1. Change, Censorship and Suppression
- 2. The Doctored Covenants
- 3. The Book of Mormon
- 4. The Arm of Flesh
- 5. Mormonism and Truth
- 6. The First Vision
- 7. The Godhead
- 8. The Adam-God Doctrine
- 10. Avenging Blood at Mountain Meadows
- 12. The Danites
- 13. Mormonism and Plural Marriage
- 14. The Noblest Spirits [The Negro in Mormon Theology]
- 15. The Mormon Priesthood
- 16. The Word of Wisdom
- 17. Mormonism and Money
- 18. Temple Work
- 19. The Apostasy
- 20. Miscellaneous Mormon History and Doctrine
- 21. Conclusion

Appendix: Book of Mormon Parallels

Note added May 4, 1963, on long sheet concerning salaries of church officials mentioned on page 201.

*Publications by Modern Microfilm Company*

1963–1982

1963

*The Negro in Mormon Theology* by Jerald Tanner. 28 pages.

A 28-page mimeographed pamphlet which explains the Mormon doctrine concerning the Negro. It also shows how this doctrine concerning the Negro has affected the thinking of the Mormon people. (Ad)

Contents 27 chapters:
- Preface
- 1. The Claims of Mormonism
- 2. Censorship and Suppression
- 3. The Book of Mormon
- 4. Changing the Revelations
- 5. Joseph Smith
- 6. Arm of Flesh
- 7. False Prophecy
- 8. Mormonism and Truth
- 10. First Vision
- 11. The Godhead
- 12. The Adam-God Doctrine
- 13. Freedom and Politics
- 14. Blood Atonement
- 15. Plural Marriage
- 16. The Manifesto
- 17. The Virgin Birth
- 18. Avenging Blood at Mountain Meadows
- 19. The Mormon Priesthood
- 20. The Negro in Mormon Theology
- 21. The Word of Wisdom
- 22. Danites and Other Organizations
- 23. Temple Work
- 24. Mormonism and Money
- 25. The Hereafter
- 26. Miscellaneous History and Doctrine
- 27. Conclusion
- Appendix: Book of Mormon Parallels

A revised and enlarged edition of Mormonism (A Study of Mormon History and Doctrine). The most documented book on Mormonism. (Ad)

Problems Facing Modern Microfilm Co. by Jerald Tanner. 2 pages.

Open letter to “Dear Friends.” This letter mentions the need of working capital and states that “Modern Microfilm Co. was started with the idea of making rare books and documents available to the general public.” (p. 2)

The Salt Lake City Messenger. Issue No. 1, November 1964. 3 pages.

Contents: Mormon Church Suppresses Book of Commandments; First Vision.
1965

Changes in Joseph Smith’s History. 88 pages.
A study of the many changes that have been made in Joseph Smith’s history since it was first published. Many important meaning changes have been made; more than 62,000 words have been added or deleted. (Ad).
This is a study of some of the printed textual changes in the “History of Joseph Smith” as published in the Times and Seasons and the Millennial Star compared with the six volumes History of the Church published by the LDS Church.

Changes in the Pearl of Great Price. 56 pages.
The text is an exact photomechanical reprint of the 1851 edition, and the handwriting shows the changes that would have to be made in the text to bring it into conformity with the 1965 edition. (Ad)
The Pearl of Great Price was published by Franklin D. Richards at Liverpool, England, in 1851 from earlier printed periodicals of the Church and some of the textual material was published here basically for the first time. The material dealing with Enoch and Moses were excerpts from early printed and manuscript sources.

Joseph Smith’s Strange Account of the First Vision. various pages.
Contents:
Part 1 A Critical Study of the First Vision
Part 2 Joseph Smith’s Strange Account of the First Vision.
Photographs from the thesis, “An Analysis of the Accounts Relating Joseph Smith’s Early Visions,” by Paul R. Cheesman. [Masters Thesis, Brigham Young University, May 1965]. In the critical study we show some of the discrepancies between this account and the one Joseph Smith later wrote. Also included is an extract concerning the First Vision from the Journal of Alexander Neibaur. (Ad)

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 2, April 1965. 3 pages.
Contents: Changes in Joseph Smith’s History; Threats from Mormon Apostles; Continued Suppression.

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 3, May 1965. 4 pages.
Contents: The Book Brigham Young tried to Destroy; Cut their Throats.

3,913 Changes in the Book of Mormon. 588 pages. Introduction 16 pages plus a photograph from the original manuscript of 1 Nephi 11:32-12:4.
A Photo Reprint of the Original 1830 Edition of the Book of Mormon With all the Changes Marked (title page).
The Book of Mormon was published by Egbert B. Grandin at Palmyra, New York in 1830 for Joseph Smith, Jr. This printing contains markings in the text as compared with the 1964 printing of the Book of Mormon by the LDS Church. This printing is based upon the 1920 edition of the Book of Mormon. Places where words were added, deleted, together with textual and spelling changes are marked. The 1830 (first edition) printed text is used as the basic text.

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 4, October 1965. 2 pages.
Contents: 3,913 Changes in the Book of Mormon.
Joseph Smith’s Curse Upon the Negro. 45 pages plus Race Problems—As They Affect the Church by Mark E. Petersen. 7 pages.

A study of the Mormon doctrine concerning the Negro. The Mormon leaders teach that a person with even “one drop of Negro blood” cannot hold the Priesthood. This book, however, proves that the descendants of Elijah Abel (a Negro) have been ordained to the Priesthood. Included is an actual photograph from the Logan Tenth Ward membership records which proves that Elijah Abel’s grandson was ordained an Elder in 1935. In this book six pages are devoted to Elijah Abel, his descendants and other Negroes who have held the Priesthood in the Mormon Church. This book gives new information on slavery in Utah, the Mormon leaders’ trouble with the NAACP, the attempt to find “pure white blood” in Cuba, the failure of the Nigerian mission, a change in the Book of Abraham, etc. This book proves that the Book of Abraham is a fraud and that there is no real basis for the Mormon doctrine concerning the Negro. (Ad)

Changes in the Key to Theology. 173 pages. Reprint of Key to the Science of Theology by Parley P. Pratt (Liverpool: 1855).

In comparing the first edition of the Key to Theology (written by the Mormon Apostle Parley P. Pratt) with the 1965 reprint we have found many important changes. Hundreds of words concerning the doctrine of polygamy have been deleted without any indication. The teachings concerning the Holy Spirit have been drastically changed. Many other important changes have been made. (Ad)

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 5, November 1965. 2 pages.

Contents: Negroes in the Priesthood; Changes in the Key to Theology.

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 6, January 1966. 4 pages.

Contents: Suppression of the News; Reed Peck Manuscript; Letters by Orson Spencer.

Joseph Smith’s Egyptian Alphabet and Grammar. various pages. Introduction.

This work was published in two editions. Small Edition—contains photos of all the Egyptian characters and drawings with the English words typed out for easy reading. Large Edition—contains all of the above material plus actual photos of every page. In this edition the reader will not only see photos of all the Egyptian characters, but also photos of all the English writing (as written by Joseph Smith and his scribes). A photographic reproduction of a handwritten document which was suppressed by the Mormon leaders for 130 years because it proves that Joseph Smith did not understand ancient Egyptian and that his Book of Abraham is a fraud. Also contains part of two handwritten manuscripts of the Book of Abraham. A vital document for students of the Book of Abraham. (Ad)

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 7, April 1966. 4 pages.

Contents: Hidden Document revealed, Joseph Smith’s Egyptian Alphabet and Grammar Suppressed for 130 years now comes to light . . . ; Joseph Smith’s Egyptian Alphabet.

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 8, July 1966. 2 pages.

Contents: A Work of the Imagination; Myth-makers.

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 9, September 1966. 4 pages.

Contents: Orson Pratt’s Troubles.
The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 10, October 1966. 2 pages.
Contents: The Mormon Establishment.

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 11, November 1966. 4 pages.
Contents: The Mormon Executioner; Problems in Mormon Text.

1967

Contains information concerning the spiritual wife doctrine, the John C. Bennett book, the Nancy Rigdon affair, the Sarah Pratt affair and also the Martha H. Brotherton affair. Also included is a list of 84 women who may have been married to Joseph Smith. (Ad)

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 12, January 1967. 4 pages.
Contents: Joseph Smith and Polygamy; Important Letter.

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 13, February 1967. 4 pages.
Contents: The Case Against Mormonism; Is all well in Zion?; Skyscrapers; False Scriptures.

Contents:
Introduction
Part 1 The Overstreet “Confession”
Part 2 The “Defence”
“Although Oliver Cowdery may not have died in full fellowship with the Church, we do not feel that there is any real evidence to prove that the purported Overstreet Confession is a genuine document. On the contrary, all evidence which we have found seems to show that Oliver Cowdery was at Council Bluffs at the time the Mormons claim.” (p. 6)
“After carefully examining the evidence, we have come to the conclusion that the ‘Defence’ is probably a spurious work, written sometime after 1887—ie, after David Whitmer’s pamphlet appeared. Until an original copy or a contemporary reference to it is found, we must regard it as spurious.” (p. 31)

Contents: The Mormon Kingdom; Joseph Smith for President; The Kingdom in Utah; A Testing Time?

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 15, July 1967. 4 pages.
Contents: Examining the First Vision; Strange Accounts; No Revival in 1820; Fraudulent Acts.

The Negro in Mormon Theology. 58 pages.
Quotes from LDS Church leaders from Joseph Smith to David O. McKay. Evidence is presented to show that several Negroes have been ordained in the LDS Priesthood. Alvin R. Dyer’s anti-Negro speech, which was “not” meant for the investigator, is printed in full. (Ad) Dyer’s speech “For What Purpose?” is contained on pages 48 to 58.
Is There a Personal God? by Jerald Tanner. 56 pages.
A 56 page pamphlet on Christianity.
Contains some personal reminiscences in section titled “My encounter with Christ,” pp. 17-21. (Ad)

1968

Contents 6 chapters:
1. Preface
2. A Marvelous Work?
3. Changes in Mormonism
4. The Myth Makers
5. Censorship and Suppression
6. The First Vision
7. Changing the Revelations
Deals with Joseph’s First Vision, changes in Mormon revelations and documents, the Law of Adoption, the Mormon Battalion, suppression of the records, book-burning, the BYU spy ring and many other subjects. (Ad)

The Mormon Papyri Question. 32 pages.
Deals with the recent discovery of the Mormon papyri. Proves that Joseph Smith was not able to translate Egyptian and that the Book of Abraham was a work of his own imagination. The supposed writings of Abraham and Joseph in Egypt turn out to be nothing but parts of Egyptian funerary texts. (Ad)

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 16, February 1968. 4 pages.
Contents: The Mormon Papyri Question; The Missing Head; Book of the Dead; Dr. Nibley Repudiates Joseph’s “Grammar.”

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 17, March 1968. 4 pages.
Contents: Fall of the Book of Abraham; The Dilemma; Nibley Retreats; Smoke Screen; Contents of Papyrus.

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 18, April 1968. 4 pages.
Contents: Papyri not about Abraham; A Translation Rejected; Nothing about Abraham; Dr. Nibley evades the Issue; Is Dr. Nibley Qualified?; The Moment of Truth.

“The authors demonstrate that Joseph Smith used one of the recently rediscovered fragments from the ‘Breathing Permit’ of Hor as the source for the Mormon Book of Abraham.” Dieter Mueller, Annual Egyptological Bibliography, 1968 (Leiden, 1973), 84.

Is the Book of Abraham True? 23 pages. Appendix “Grant Heward Finds the Key.”
Proves that the Book of Abraham is a spurious translation. Contains important new information not found in “The Mormon Papyri Question.” Shows how Grant Heward found the key to the Book of Abraham text in Papyrus No. 3284, located in the Louvre in Paris. (Ad)
The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 19, June 1968. 4 pages.
Contents: Papyri Prove Book of Abraham Untrue; A Devastating Blow; Facing Reality; Nibley Endorses Nelson’s Work; A Real Dialogue; More harm than Good.

The Salt Lake City Messenger, No. 20, September 1968. 4 pages.
Contents: Papyri Undermine Negro Doctrine; Nelson Repudiates Book; Identification Correct; A False Translation; A Second Meaning?; A Pagan Text; Ridiculous Ideas!

The Case Against Mormonism. Vol. 2. 182 pages.
Contents 5 chapters:
Preface
1. Book of Mormon Witnesses
2. Angels and Gold Plates
3. Ancient or Modern?
4. The Book of Abraham
5. Papyri Not About Abraham
Deals with the Book of Mormon witnesses, the gold plates, parallels between the Book of Mormon and newspapers published in Palmyra, parallels between the Westminster Confession and the Book of Mormon, the influence of the Bible and the Apocrypha upon the Book of Mormon, the discovery of the LDS Papyri in the Metropolitan Museum (includes photographs of all 11 pieces and the first publication of the longer Book of Abraham manuscript) and absolute proof that the Book of Abraham is a spurious work. (Ad)

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 21, November 1968. 4 pages.
Contents: Facsimiles Altered; Falsification Proven; Facsimile No. 1.

The First Vision Examined—A Study of New Theories and Documents Regarding Joseph Smith’s First Vision and the 1820 Revival. 50 pages.
Presents new and important material relating to J. Smith’s first vision, Shows that the Mormon research team has failed in their effort to establish an 1820 revival in Palmyra. Also new evidence found in “Joseph Smith’s Manuscript History,” Book A-1, regarding two important changes in Smith’s history. (Ad)

Contents 13 chapters:
Preface
1. Conflict
2. Worldly Riches
3. Polygamy and Blood Atonement
4. Materials for an Explosion
5. The Danites

1969

Contents: 10,000,000 Mormons?; Is All Well in Zion?; Plagiarism; Temple Ceremonies; Lord Blesses Papyri Work; Amazing Progress; Abraham’s Drawings?
6. War in Missouri  
7. After the War  
8. A Treasonous Plot  
9. Temple Work  
10. The Temple Ceremony  
11. Changes in Ceremony  
12. Testimony on Ceremony  
13. The Masonic Influence  

Appendix—Published Accounts of the Temple Ceremonies by Wesley P. Walters  
Contains an account of the temple ceremony. Also discusses the changes in the ceremony and garments, the relationship to Masonry, the “oath of vengeance,” the doctrine of Blood Atonement, baptism for the dead, the Danites, the Council of 50, the failure of the Kirtland Bank, the war in Missouri, Joseph Smith’s secret ordination as king and his candidacy for president of the U.S. (Ad)

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 23, May 1969. 4 pages.  
Contents: Revivals and Visions; One, Two or Many?; No Revival; Secret Temple Ceremony; Oaths Changed; Latest “Finds.”

Archaeology and the Book of Mormon. 70 pages. Appendix No. 2 added in 1971.  
Book dealing with such subjects as: the Book of Mormon in light of archaeological findings in the New World, the disagreement between Dr. Nibley and Dr. Jakeman over archaeology and the Book of Mormon, Nephite coins, the Anthon transcript, Mayan glyphs, the Parahyba text, Kinderhook plates, Newark stones, Lehi Tree-of-Life Stone, and the problem of Book of Mormon geography. (Ad)

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 24, August 1969. 4 pages.  
Contents: Moonmen and Nephites; Nephites; Joseph’s “Inspired” Bible.

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 25, October 1969. 4 pages.  
Contents: Violence in Zion; Bill Hickman; Imitation Genesis?

1970

Mormons and Negroes. 78 pages. Includes Appendix; The Situation Grows Worse plus Race Problems—As They Affect the Church by Mark E. Petersen. 7 pages.  
Covers such subjects as: the protests against BYU and the Mormon Church, racism at BYU, dissatisfaction in the Church, the question of a new revelation, President McKay’s statement to Dr. McMurrin, Negroes who have held the Priesthood, the failure of the Nigerian Mission, slavery and civil rights among the Mormons, and many other important subjects. (Ad)

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 26, March 1970. 6 pages.  
Contents: Led by Revelation?; The Coming Crisis; The Great Stall; Naive View; Into the Fire; Negroes in Choir; BYU Troubles; True Revelation; Conquering Prejudice.

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 27, June 1970. 6 pages.  
Contents: New Light on Blood Atonement; Is Adam Christ’s Father?; Forfeiting the Game?; Josephus; Filibuster Ends.
Mormon Scriptures and the Bible. 53 pages.

Book dealing with such subjects as: the decline of the use of the Bible in Mormon theology, influence of Bible critics on Mormonism, the charge that the Catholics conspired to alter the Bible, a comparison of the manuscript evidence for the Bible and Mormon scriptures, Young’s attempt to suppress Joseph Smith’s Inspired Revision of the Bible, how Smith ignored his own renderings, the lack of support in ancient manuscripts for Smith’s “inspired” renderings, and changes in the Pearl of Great Price. (Ad)

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 28, August 1970. 6 pages.

Contents: Mormon Scriptures and the Bible; Dead Sea Scrolls; “Inspired Revision.”

Joseph Smith and Money Digging. 40 plus pages.

Contents:
Part 1 Treasure Hunting
Part 2 The 1826 Trial
Part 3 Howe’s Affidavits

Deals with such subjects as money-digging in Joseph Smith’s time, treasures that slipped into the ground, statements by Martin Harris and Brigham Young on money-digging, Joseph Smith’s “seer stone,” the use of the “seer stone” to find the Book of Mormon plates and its use to translate the book itself, the agreement between Joseph Smith and other money diggers, other seer stones among the Mormons, the cave in the hill Cumorah, the relationship of money-digging to the story of the gold plates of the Book of Mormon and to the text of the book, the use of the divining rod in the early Mormon Church, the revelation regarding treasure hunting, the 1826 trial of Joseph Smith, an analysis of different accounts of the trial, Joseph Smith’s use of the “seer stone” to find treasures for Josiah Stowell, and the practice of sacrificing lambs to find treasures. (Ad)

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 29, October 1970. 6 pages.

Contents: Joseph Smith and Money Digging; The 1826 Trial; Counterfeiting.

1971


Contents 18 chapters:
Preface
1. Abraham’s Drawings?
2. Facsimile No. 2
3. Facsimile No. 1
4. Facsimile No. 3
5. Joseph’s Egyptian Alphabet
6. Book of Joseph
7. Complete Confusion
8. Possible Sources
9. Origin of Indians
10. The Godhead
11. The Adam-God Doctrine
12. The Virgin Birth
13. Arm of Flesh
14. False Prophecy
15. The Word of Wisdom
16. The Priesthood
17. Old Testament Practices
18. Missionaries

Deals with the meaning and changes in the facsimiles in the Book of Abraham, books Joseph Smith may have used in writing the Book of Mormon and the Book of Abraham, the Mormon doctrine of a plurality of Gods, the Adam-God doctrine, the Virgin Birth, false prophecies of Joseph Smith and Brigham Young, the Word of Wisdom, the Priesthood, cursing enemies and animal sacrifice after Christ, the Mormon missionary system and many other important subjects. (Ad)

Appendix No. 2 to Archaeology and the Book of Mormon. pp. 71-92.

Deals with the Bat Creek inscription, criticism of Dr. Gordon’s work, the location of Adam’s altar, the crossing of the Atlantic in a papyrus boat, the decline in support for the Dept. of Archaeology at BYU, the idea of Phoenicians in America, Jewish coins in America, forgeries which have been committed to fool archaeologists. (Ad)

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 30, March 1971. 6 pages.

Contents: The Thinking Has Been Done; The Seer; The Test; From a Tea-chest?

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 31, May 1971. 4 pages.

Contents: Reliable Revelations?; More Skeletons?; God’s Power.

A Look at Christianity. [Chapter 3 “In the Beginning” deleted in Feb. 1978 printing.] 91 pages.

Contents 4 chapters:
Introduction
1. Teachings of Jesus
2. The New Testament and History
3. In the Beginning
4. The Old Testament and History

Deals with such subjects as: the age of the earth and of life, the earliest man, the Flood, the report of the discovery of Noah’s Ark, Egypt and the Bible, evidence from Palestine, the Moabite Stone, Assyrian records, the Dead Sea Scrolls, the importance of love, the destructive effects of hate, reconciliation with God, our own testimony, the historicity of Jesus, early writings concerning Christianity, manuscripts of the New Testament, recent papyri discoveries, the historical setting of the New Testament, and many other important matters. (Ad)

Joseph Smith’s 1826 Trial. 22 pages.

This booklet proves beyond all doubt that the report of the 1826 trial is authentic. Also included are some affidavits about Joseph Smith’s money-digging which do not appear in any of our other works. (Ad)

The Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 32, August 1971, 6 pages.

Contents: New Find Undermines Mormonism; Importance of Discovery; Does Truth Matter?; New Light on Moon men; A Look at Christianity.
**Falsification of Joseph Smith’s History.** 23 pages. Includes Appendix—New Evidence Against “History.”

Proves that many serious changes were made in Joseph Smith’s history after his death. Although the Mormon leaders claim that Joseph Smith wrote this history, research reveals that less than 40% of it was compiled before his death. Contains photographs of manuscripts suppressed for over a hundred years which deal a devastating blow to Joseph Smith’s history. (Ad)

Includes photographs of “Manuscript History” Book A-1:321, 481, 483, 488 and 2 pages from the Addenda.


Contents 7 chapters:
1. Works of Darkness
2. Death of Joseph Smith
3. Counterfeiting
4. Mormonism and Money
5. The Kingdom in Utah
6. Mountain Meadows Massacre
7. Murders in Early Utah

Deals with the Council of 50 and how it controlled early Utah, Mormonism and money, how Church leaders used Church funds for private gain, Joseph F. Smith’s testimony on Church businesses, the involvement of the Church in business today, how the Apostles condemn a paid ministry yet receive large salaries, politics in early Utah, the Law Observance and Enforcement Committee in the Church, the Mountain Meadows Massacre, the Utah War, the practice of Blood Atonement in Utah, Brigham Young’s indictment for murder, robbing the Gentiles, counterfeiting, and many other important subjects. (Ad)

**The Bible and Mormon Doctrine** by Sandra Tanner. 33 pages.

Contents: Part 1 Eternal Progression Part 2 Beliefs Compared

A 33-page booklet dealing with the LDS view of man’s eternal progression, modern revelation, the gospel, salvation by grace or works, the true church, pre-existence, kingdoms in heaven, tempt work, priesthood and the nature of God compared with the Bible. A great help in understanding Mormon beliefs. (Ad)

**The Salt Lake City Messenger.** No. 33, October 1971. 6 pages.

Contents: Falsification of Joseph Smith’s History; Written by Joseph Smith?; New Discoveries; Startling Admissions; Reign of the Mormon Kings; New Book—The Bible and Mormon Doctrine.

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**1972**


Contents 38 chapters:
1. Preface
2. A Marvelous Work?
3. Change, Censorship and Suppression
4. Changes in the Revelations
4. Joseph Smith and Money-digging
5. The Book of Mormon
6. Archaeology and the Book of Mormon
7. Changes in Joseph Smith’s History
8. The First Vision
9. The Godhead
10. The Adam-God Doctrine
11. The Priesthood
12. The Arm of Flesh
13. False Prophecy
14. The Hereafter
15. The Missionary System
16. Plural Marriage
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21. The Negro in Mormon Theology
22. The Fall of the Book of Abraham
23. Old Testament Practices
24. Mormon Scriptures and the Bible
25. Blood Atonement
26. The Word of Wisdom
27. The Mormon Kingdom
28. The Danites
29. Temple Work
30. The Temple Ceremony
31. Changes in the Ceremony
32. The Temple Ceremony and Masonry
33. The Mountain Meadows Massacre
34. Mormonism and Money
35. Speculation, Illegal Banking and Counterfeiting
36. Blood Flows in Utah
37. Miscellaneous History and Doctrine
38. Facing Reality
Appendix A—Questions about Our Work
Appendix B—New Information

Deals with such subjects as: the claims of Mormonism, the inhabitants of the moon, “Adam’s Altar” in Missouri, changing doctrines, suppressing the records, book burning, changes in Joseph Smith’s revelations, money-digging, Joseph Smith’s 1826 trial for engaging in “glass looking,” proof that the Book of Mormon is a product of the 19th century, the Book of Mormon Witnesses, changes in the Book of Mormon, a study of Book of Mormon names, archaeology and the Book of Mormon, changes in Joseph Smith’s History, the First Vision, “strange” accounts of the First Vision, no revival in 1820, Joseph Smith seeks membership in the Methodist Church, the Godhead, the Heavenly Mother, the Adam-God Doctrine, the Priesthood, false prophecy, the missionary system, plural marriage, wives before the revelation, taking other men’s wives, polygamy after the Manifesto, polygamy in Utah today, death of Joseph Smith, the Virgin Birth, the anti-Negro
doctrines, the Genesis Group, the rediscovery of the Joseph Smith Papyri and the fall of the Book of Abraham, Mormon scriptures and the Bible, changes in the Pearl of Great Price, Blood Atonement among the early Mormons, the Word of Wisdom, the secret Council of 50, Joseph Smith anointed king, Joseph Smith runs for President of the United States, the Church’s “Law Observance and Enforcement Committee,” the Danites, Bill Hickman, Orrin Porter Rockwell, baptism for the dead, temple marriage, changes in the temple garments, the temple ceremony by a temple worker, changes in the ceremony, sealing men to men, the temple ceremony and Masonry, the Mountain Meadows Massacre, the Utah War, Mormonism and money, the failure of the bank established by revelation, birth control, our conversion to Christianity, answer to questions about our work, and hundreds of other important subjects. (Ad)

*The Salt Lake City Messenger.* No, 34, August 1972. 6 pages.
Contents: Mormonism—Shadow or Reality?; Important Document on Negroes; Genesis Group; Secret Wives and Concubines.

1973

Contents: The Real Joseph Smith; Liberty Taken on History; Still Suppressing Records?; Joseph Smith and Adultery; A Pretended Marriage; Abraham and Negroes; Hidden Revelation Revealed; A Tremendous Success.


1974

*Mormonism Like Watergate?* 27 pages.
Contains an answer to Dr. Nibley’s article in the *Salt Lake Tribune.* This book contains the 1831 revelation on polygamy, which commanded the Mormons to marry Indians to make them a “white” and “delightsome” people. Also includes suppressed material on the anti-Negro doctrine, and a reprint of our article “Mormon Records, Like Watergate Embarrassing.” (Ad)

This publication was written in response to Dr. Hugh Nibley’s article “Author Defends Image of Joseph Smith as Prophet,” *The Salt Lake Tribune,* November 25, 1973, p. 2G.

*The Salt Lake City Messenger.* No. 36, May 1974. 6 pages.
Contents: Mormonism and Watergate; Booth Confirms Revelation; “Bleaching” the Lamanites; Cover-up on Negro Doctrine; Negro Doctrine costs 20,000 Converts; Indians Disturbed; Impeachment?; Repudiates Book of Mormon; Walters Writes on 1826 Trial.

1975

*The Salt Lake City Messenger.* No. 37, January 1975. 8 pages.
Contents: Mormons and the Watergate Scandal; Mullen, Mormons and the CIA; A Surprising Discovery; Robert Bennett buys Mullen Company; Burglary and Bugging; Hunt’s BYU Spy; Bennett’s Company in Trouble; 1 Bennett’s Cover-up; Mormons in the CIA; Justice Department warns Church; Information needed for Book; The Book that can not Exist; An Eternal Cover-up.

**Views on Creation, Evolution and Fossil Man** by Jerald Tanner. 332 pages.

Contents 15 chapters:

1. Introduction
2. Pitfalls in Prehistory
3. Search for the Oldest Tools
4. The Neanderthal Man
5. Pithecanthropus Erectus
6. The Piltdown Forgery
7. Peking, Rhodesian and Heidelberg Man
8. African Genesis
9. The Leakeys in Africa
10. Primitive Characteristics
11. Accident or Design?
12. Confusion over Origin of Species
13. Arguments over Evolution
14. Spontaneous Generation or Creation?
15. The Fossil Record

Appendix A through K

Contains a very detailed study of evolution. Deals with such subjects as: the gaps and problems in the fossil record, the Neanderthal man, Pithecanthropus erectus, the Piltdown forgery, the Leakey’s work in Africa, Zinjanthropus, Home Habilis, the “1470 man,” dating fossil men, the oldest tools, mutations and natural selection, sexual selection, evidence from embryotogym vestigial structures, spontaneous generation, battles over evolution and many other important subjects. (Ad)

1976

**Howard Hughes and the “Mormon Will.”** 9 pages.

**Mormon Spies, Hughes and the CIA.** 95 pages. Includes Appendix. Also added *Howard Hughes and the “Mormon Will.”*

Deals with such subjects as the Mullen Co. and the Watergate break-in, the BYU spying operations, the prostitution conspiracy and the church, wiretapping and bugging, Mullen and the Mormons, Hunt’s BYU spy, Robert Bennett’s involvement with Hunt, Bennett’s cover-up, Mormons and Hughes, assassination plots, Intertel, Interprogress, the possible existence of the secret Council of 50 in the church, Bennett’s dummy milk committee, and many other important subjects. (Ad)

**The Salt Lake City Messenger.** No. 38, April 1976. 8 pages.

Contents: Mormons, Hughes and C.I.A.; Missionaries and the C.I.A.; C.I.A. and the Church’s Educational System; Hughes and Mormons; So-called Mormon Mafia; Is Hughes Dead?; Hearts Made Glad—A Look at Mr. Petersen’s New Book; Wine and Visions; Nibley Fails to save the Book of Abraham; 15,000 books met with silence.
1977

*Did Spalding Write the Book of Mormon?* various pages. [An Examination of “Who Really Wrote the Book of Mormon?” added August 8, 1978, pp. 18-33]

Contents:
- Part 1 Did Spalding Write the Book of Mormon?
- Part 4 “The Book of Mormon,” a chapter from the book *Mormonism—Shadow or Reality?* [Chapter 5]
- Part 5 Parallels Between the Book of Mormon and *View of the Hebrews* by Mormon Historian B. H. Roberts. Reprinted from the *Rocky Mountain Mason*, January 1956, with an introduction by Mervin B. Hogan.

Explains why the Tanners came out in opposition to the theory that Spalding penned 12 pages of the Book of Mormon. Contains a photographic comparison of Spalding’s handwriting with the Book of Mormon manuscript and a photo-reprint of Spalding’s *Manuscript Found*. (Ad)

1978

*Answering Dr. Clandestine: A Response to the Anonymous LDS Historian*. 22 pages.


Contents: Blacks Receive LDS Priesthood; Brigham Young Misrepresented; “Better late than Never”; Shooting of Officer Olson; Problem in Brazil; Revelation Evades Real Issue; Is the Priesthood Lost?; Impact of Revelation; Ambushing the Tanners; A Real Cover-up; Stonewalling; Honesty with Mormons on Spalding; The “Mormon Will.”


Contents:
- [Part 1] Answering Dr. Clandestine: A Response to the Anonymous LDS Historian
- Part 2 Added Nov. 1, 1978
- Part 3 A Response to Response by Wesley P. Walters

This is an answer to the booklet, *Jerald and Sandra Tanner’s Distorted View of Mormonism [: A Response to Mormonism—Shadow or Reality?* by a Latter-day Saint Historian]. Contains a photograph of a letter from Church Historian Leonard Arrington showing that he was involved in the project notwithstanding his solemn denials. Also deals with Joseph Smith’s Magic Talisman and the Nag Hammadi documents. (Ad)

Presents material which led the Tanners to believe that Dr. D. Michael Quinn was the Latter-day Saint Historian author of the response.
1979


Contents: Unmasking Dr. Clandestine; Rebuttal Altered; Benson vs. Arrington; Joseph Smith’s Diaries; Publishing Smith’s Diaries; Modern Microfilm and the Future; Tape Embarrassing; The Thinking has been Done: The Mountain Meadows to Guyana; The Massacre; Spiritual Suicide; Excerpts from some of the many letters Received; Alex Joseph.

*Salt Lake City Messenger*. No. 41, December 1979. 16 pages.

Contents: Changing World of Mormonism; Death of the Anti-Black Doctrine; Old Teachings become Inoperative; Existence of New Revelation Questioned; Adding Old Revelations; Important Change in Canonized Revelation; Criticism still Valid; Suppressed Revelations; Apostle Petersen and the Adam-God Doctrine; A Living Prophet?; BYU Computer Study; B. H. Robert’s [sic] Secret Manuscript.

*Rescuing the Rescue Mission* by Jerald Tanner. 2 pages.

*Fighting Among Christians* by Jerald Tanner. 15 pages.

A 15-page tract dealing with the problem of contention in the church. Gives some helpful advice on how a Christian can help maintain unity in the body of Christ. (Ad)

*An Update on Rescuing the Rescue Mission* by Jerald Tanner. 2 pages.

1980


Contents 23 chapters:
- Foreword
- Preface
- Acknowledgements
- Introduction by Wesley P. Walters
- 1. A Marvelous Work?
- 2. Change, Censorship and Suppression
- 3. Changes in the Revelations
- 4. Joseph Smith and Money digging
- 5. The Book of Mormon
- 6. The First Vision
- 7. The Godhead
- 8. The Adam-God Doctrine
- 9. Plural Marriage
- 10. Changing the Anti-Black Doctrine
- 11. Fall of the Book of Abraham
- 12. Mormon Scriptures and the Bible
- 13. Changes in Joseph Smith’s History
- 14. False Prophecy
- 15. The Arm of Flesh
- 16. The Priesthood
17. Joseph Smith
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Contents: Will Benson be King?; The Mormon Kingdom; Joseph Smith for President; The Living Prophet is King; Benson’s Political Involvements; Women in Mormon Theology; An Update on the Fall of the Book of Abraham; Dr. Nelson?; Source of Book of Abraham; Egyptian Study Hurts Church.


Contents: Joseph Smith’s “Caracters” Found!; No Gift to Translate; Vindicates Smith?; Reformed Egyptian or Deformed English?; Magic Characters?; Will Nibley Translate It?; “1 Nefi”; Micmac? Importance of Circle; Michael Didn’t Do It; B. H. Roberts’ Manuscripts Revealed.

Unmasking a Mormon Spy: The Story of Stan Fields. 30 pages.
Story of a recent LDS spy, the “enemies list,” infiltration into Ex-Mormons for Jesus, intelligence gathering. Mormon Church security, new material on the Council of Fifty. (Ad)

Contents: Unmasking a Mormon Spy; “They’re trying to call out”; Mayfield’s Confession; Mayfield’s mask comes off; Linked to FBI?; Linked to Church Security?; “Enemies List”; Using Church Equipment; Something to Hide?; Turner, Mormons and the C.I.A.

Book of Mormon “Caracters” Found. 23 pages.
A report on the recently discovered sheet containing characters which were supposed to have been copied directly from the gold plates of the Book of Mormon. Although Dr. Hugh Nibley claimed that this sheet contained Egyptian writing and could be translated, his claim has been rejected by competent Egyptologists. Also contains a rebuttal to Barry Fell’s work and a look at the theory that Joseph Smith’s characters were derived from magic books. (Ad) [A Mark Hofmann forgery.]
1981

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 45, February 1981. 4 pages.
Contents: Communists in Zion?; Skousen’s Paranoia; Dangerous Situation; CIA Delays Response; Court Action; Stand by Us!

Pages 337-63 of chapter 11 “Fall of the Book of Abraham” were revised. References to Dee Jay Nelson were removed from the bibliography and some page numbers in the index. Dee Jay Nelson made a claim to holding a legitimate Doctor’s degree, dated May 10, 1978, from Pacific North Western University. This reported university was not an accredited institution but provided a Doctor’s diploma and a transcript for three years of study at postgraduate level for $195.00, in other words, a diploma mill. It was considered best to discontinue printing Nelson’s publications and quoting from him.

A revision was made on page 143 concerning a “discovered” document of characters taken to Professor Charles Anthon of New York City. [Document a Mark Hofmann forgery.]

Joseph Smith’s Successor An Important New Document Comes to Light. 31 pages.
Deals with Joseph Smith’s blessing and revelation given to his son, Joseph Smith, III. Shows that Joseph Smith designated his son as successor and that Brigham Young didn’t have the right to lead the Church. Photos of documents are included. (Ad)

[The succession document of January 17, 1844 was a Mark Hofmann forgery.]

Can The Browns Save Joseph Smith? 38 pages.
A rebuttal to the book, They Lie in Wait to Deceive [by Robert L. and Rosemary Brown, 1981]. Deals with false statements and misrepresentations which appear in the Brown’s work and also shows that they have side-stepped the main issue—i.e., whether Joseph Smith correctly translated the Book of Abraham. (Ad)

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 46, October 1981. 12 pages.
Contents: A Pure and Delightsome People; Joseph as a Translator; The Browns Fail to Save the Book of Abraham; Book of Abraham; The Brown’s Attack; Kinderhook Plates; Book of Mormon; Success in New Zealand; Joseph as a Prophet; An Important New Document comes to Light; A True Revelation?; Listen to His Voice; FBI-CIA Suit Filed.

1982

Includes updated material, approximately 98 pages.
Contents 38 chapters:
Preface
1. A Marvelous Work? [updated material, 2 pages]
2. Change, Censorship and Suppression [updated material, 6 pages]
3. Changes in the Revelations [updated material, 4 pages]
4. Joseph Smith and Money-digging [updated material, 4 pages]
5. The Book of Mormon [updated material, 10 pages]
6. Archaeology and the Book of Mormon [updated material, 10 pages]
7. Changes in Joseph Smith’s History [updated material, 4 pages]
8. The First Vision [revised, plus 4 pages]
9. The Godhead [updated material, 2 pages]
10. The Adam-God Doctrine [updated material, 4 pages]
11. The Priesthood
12. The Arm of Flesh [updated material, 2 pages]
13. False Prophecy [updated material, 8 pages]
14. The Hereafter
15. The Missionary System
16. Plural Marriage [updated material, 6 pages]
17. The Manifesto [updated material, 6 pages]
18. Mormonism and Truth
19. Joseph Smith
20. The Virgin Birth
21. The Negro in Mormon Theology [Note at beginning of chapter; updated material, 6 pages.]
22. The Fall of the Book of Abraham [revised, plus 4 pages]
23. Old Testament Practices
24. Mormon Scriptures and the Bible [updated material, 2 pages]
25. Blood Atonement [updated material, 2 pages]
26. The Word of Wisdom
27. The Mormon Kingdom [updated material, 6 pages]
28. The Danites
29. Temple Work [updated material, 2 pages]
30. The Temple Ceremony [2 notes in chapter]
31. Changes in the Ceremony
32. The Temple Ceremony and Masonry [updated material, half page]
33. The Mountain Meadows Massacre
34. Mormonism and Money [updated material, 4 pages]
35. Speculation, Illegal Banking and Counterfeiting [updated material, 2 pages]
36. Blood Flows in Utah
37. Miscellaneous History and Doctrine
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Appendix A: Questions about Our Work

Our most comprehensive and revealing work on Mormonism. (Ad)

The page numbers are as close to the 1972 edition as possible, with a letter added for each updated page. Chapter 8 on the First Vision and Chapter 22 on the Fall of the Book of Abraham have been revised. Appendix B of 1972 edition has been omitted.

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 47, March 1982. 8 pages.

Contents: Mormonism—Shadow or Reality?, 37,000 Copies Sold and Now a New Enlarged Edition; Historians Face Crisis; Dr. Arrington Demoted; Restricted Church Document Leaks Out; Quinn is “Clandestine”; Apostasy Germs?; Still Struggling; The Best Medicine.
Clayton’s Secret Writings Uncovered—Extracts from the Diaries of Joseph Smith’s Secretary William Clayton. 88 pages.

A very revealing glimpse into Joseph Smith’s private life in Nauvoo. These diaries, which have been suppressed for 140 years, throw a great deal of light on the doctrine of plural marriage. (Ad)

Typed extracts (not in chronological order) of William Clayton’s Nauvoo Diaries. Dates of entries: January 22, 1843 to January 28, 1846.

Pay Lay Ale: An Examination of the Charge that the Mormons Call upon Lucifer in their Temple Ceremony by Jerald Tanner. 4 pages.

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 48, July 1982. 8 pages.

Contents: Mormonism and Truth; Apostle Attacks Personal Relationship with Christ; Danite Entry Crossed out in Smith’s Diary; A Prophet Emeritus?; Kimball’s Journal Confirms Oath of Vengeance; Absolutely [sic] No Middle Ground.

The Compass. Issue No. 1, July 1982. 8 pages.

Contents: Battling over Evolution; Evolutionists Question Darwinism; On the Brink of Creationism?; “Hopeful Monsters;” Lack of Communication.

LDS Apostle Confesses Brigham Young Taught Adam-God Doctrine. various pages.

Contents:
Part 1 A photographic reproduction of a letter written by the Mormon Apostle Bruce R. McConkie
Part 2 Photographs from manuscripts in the Church Archives which prove Brigham Young taught the Adam-God doctrine. These documents were suppressed for a century.
Part 3 Typescript of an original document in the church archives which is identified as “Minutes of Council of the Twelve in upper room of Historian’s Office,” April 5, 1860. Proves that Brigham Young and the Apostle Orson Pratt fought over the Adam-God doctrine.

Contains a photographic reproduction of a ten page letter written by Bruce R. McConkie. Also includes photographs of manuscripts in the Church Archives which prove Brigham Young taught that Adam was God and that Jesus Christ was his son. (Ad)


Contents: Mormonism and Magic; Suppressed Document?; The Gold Plates and Magic Characters; Enoch’s Gold Plate; The Ultimate Case; Support Needed; Apostle McConkie Admits Brigham Young taught Adam-God Doctrine; FBI Wins Suit.
Publications by Utah Lighthouse Ministry  
1983–2013

1983

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 50, March 1983. 12 pages.  
Contents: Anti-Anti-Mormons, The End of Modern Microfilm Company may only be the Beginning; The Anti-Tanner Movement; A New Spying Operation; The Top Secret Tanner Project; Joseph Smith’s Use of Magic Circles and Animal Sacrifice; Mormon Researcher Finds Smiths’ 1825 Money-digging Agreement.  
[Discovery of 1825 agreement was a Mark Hofmann story.]

Contents:  
Part 1 The Smith’s Magic Material  
Part 2 The Influence of Magic and Masonry  
Appendix A The Question of Satanic Influence in the Book of Mormon and in the Temple Ceremony  
Appendix B A Photographic Reproduction of the Legend of Enoch’s Gold Plate from the 1802 printing of The Freemason’s Monitor.  
Contains photographs of Joseph and Hyrum Smith’s magic material and a study of its significance. Also deals with the question of spiritualism and the temple ceremony. (Ad)

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 51, June 1983. 8 pages.  
Contents: Suing the Tanners, Legal Action to Suppress Diaries about Joseph Smith; Why the Lawsuit Will Fail; “It could destroy the Church;” The Mormon “Inquisition” Begins; Jack Anderson to Expose Critics.

Hearings on the Suppression of Joseph Smith’s Secretary’s Diaries. various pages.

Unmasking a Mormon Spy: The Story of Stan Fields. 30 pages. [Added notes on page 8 concerning destroying anti-Mormon literature and Brent Metcalfe.]

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 52, November 1983. 11 pages.  
Contents: Church Fights Subpoena for Joseph Smith’s Secretary’s Diaries; Judge’s Decision; For our Good; Must Suppress; Lost and Found?; Spalding’s Manuscript and 116 Book of Mormon Pages; Lehi’s Lost Book; A Tight Spot.

1984

Contents: Moroni or Salamander?, Reported Find of Letter by Book of Mormon Witness; Is It Authentic?; Just An Old Spirit; Alvin’s Remains; A Puzzling Find; Cover-up on Lawsuit; False Testimony. [Martin Harris letter was a Mark Hofmann forgery.]

Article by Jerald Tanner in Rescue Mission Newsletter, April 1984, [p. 1].

   Contents: Tanners Found Guilty! Judge Threatens Damages “Many Times” $16,000; Injunction Removed; Prejudice?; Judge Very Upset!; Hurt Reputation?; “Stolen” Microfilms; False Testimony; “Miffed”; Very Unfair; Judge Wrong; Light Not Out; Good Letters; Embarrassing Letters.

The Tanners on Trial. 142 pages.
   A detailed study of Andrew Ehat’s unsuccessful attempt to stop the publication of Clayton’s Secret Writings Uncovered. A Mormon Judge awarded Ehat damages, but the decision was overturned by the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals. This book has well over 100 large pages filled with many photographs of the original court documents. Contains fascinating testimony by some of the Mormon church’s top historians. (Ad)

   A preliminary report by Jerald Tanner on some recently discovered letters linking Joseph Smith to the occult. (Ad)

1985

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 55, January 1985. 16 pages.
   Contents: The Salamander Letter, Strange Letter attributed to Mormon Witness; A Summary; Making Tests; The Handwriting; Caution Urged; Suit Drags On; Dilemma of a Mormon Critic by Jerald Tanner [pp. 4-13]; The Salamander; Something Missing; The 1873 Letter; Unscientific?; Utah Lighthouse & World Needs; Important Find? Videos Available; Mormon Archeology. [The so-called Salamander letter was a Mark Hofmann forgery.]

   Contents: Blood Flows in Utah, Brigham Young’s Teachings Put Into Practice; Blood Atonement; Its Practice Today; Lafferty Murders; By Their Fruits; Tanners’ Riches.

Parallels to the Salamander Letter by Jerald Tanner. various pages.
   Contents: Photo first page of letter of Martin Harris, October 23, 1830; page by Jerald Tanner; page of Martin Harris letter with parallels in text of letter; photo of second page of Martin Harris letter; also includes copies of LDS Church News, April 28, 1985, pp. 6-7; The Salt Lake Tribune, April 29, 1985, p. B1, and a typescript of letter of Joseph Smith to Josiah Stowell, June 18, 1825. [Martin Harris and Josiah Stowell letters were forgeries made by Mark Hofmann.]

   Contents: “Salamandergate” Mormon Church Caught in Magic Cover-up; “Taunting Salamander”; Alvin The Prophet?; Salamander Letter; Secret Dealings; God is Missing; Church says Authentic; Forgery Charged; Editors Divided [viewpoint of Sandra Tanner, p. 14; viewpoint of Jerald Tanner, pp. 14-16]; Suppressed Letter; “Incredible Crisis”; Cause for Concern; Let Them Starve?; Blood Atonement Chosen.
**Mr. Boren and the White Salamander** by Jerald Tanner. 10 pages. Plus revision (July 11, 1985) of “Parallels to the Salamander Letter.” 2 pages.

**Salt Lake City Messenger.** No. 58, August 1985. 12 pages.

Contents: Probing Black Holes in Mormon History; The Secret Vault; Cowdery’s History; An Eyewitness; Not Real Motive [contains a letter “To the Editors” by George Smith]; Fake Documents & The Harris Letter by Jerald Tanner [pp. 5-8]; Proves Letter?; More Discoveries!; McLellin Collection; Smith’s 1826 Trial; “1826 Trial Record Recovered” by Wesley P. Walters; IRS’s Final Ruling; Update on Appeal.

**1986**

**Salt Lake City Messenger.** No. 59, January 1986. 40 pages.

Contents: LDS Documents & Murder by Jerald Tanner [pp. 1-25]; Meeting Mr. Hofmann; A Confrontation; Police Investigation; Lost 116 Pages; McLellin Deception; Church Involvement; Rush to Oak’s Office; “Deep Throat”; A Cover-up; New Discovery; Conspiracy Theories; Still More Developments; Crisis in LDS History, Mormon Scholars Question Book of Mormon—Larson Forced Out; Attack on M.H.A.; Novel or History?; Roberts’ Doubts; Overreaction?; Magic Names?; Jesus a Magician?; Jesus and Joseph; Benson Takes Over.


**Salt Lake City Messenger.** No. 60, April 1986. 12 pages.

Contents: The Mormon Document Scandal; Hofmann Charged with Murder and Selling Forgeries; ULM’s Investigation; Story Changed; Cover-up Feared; Charges Available; Too Sensitive; Bombing Victim Could Not Testify; Tales of Hofmann; Lawsuit Over Unfair Verdict is Overturned; Judge Threatens Us; Deseret Foundation; Supporting 25 Children; Only One Life.

**Tanners Prevail in Lawsuit.** 10th Circuit Court of Appeals Reverses Unfair Decision. various pages.

The Supreme Court refused to hear an appeal by Andrew F. Ehat and let stand the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals decision in favor of the Tanners, mentioned in Deseret News, Mon. P.M./Tues. A.M., October 6-7, 1986, p. 4B.

**Salt Lake City Messenger.** No. 61, October 1986. 16 pages.

Contents: Forged LDS Documents and Cracked Ink; “It is Explosive”; Hofmann’s Aliases; Selling Temple Ritual; Flaky Documents; Spalding-Rigdon Scare; Scandal Affects Church; An Eternal Cover-up.

**Tracking the White Salamander: The Story of Mark Hofmann, Murder and Forged Mormon Documents** by Jerald Tanner. 185 pages.

Contents 7 chapters:
- 1. The Salamander Murders
- 2. The Case against Hofmann
- 3. The McLellin Deception
- 4. The Church’s Involvement
- 5. The Ink that Cracked
6. The Documents Examined
7. Mark and Joseph
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A revealing study of the Salamandergate scandal. Contains a great deal of information on both the murders and the forgeries. This is the first book to print lengthy extracts from the preliminary hearing. An entire chapter is devoted to the murders. Another chapter deals with the embarrassing position the Mormon Church finds itself in and the possibility of a cover-up. This book also contains a number of photographs of important documents. The testimony from the hearing alone is well worth the price of the book. (Ad)

Mark W. Hofmann forgeries included in book:
Book of Mormon Characters, 1828
Blessing to Joseph Smith III by his father Joseph Smith, January 17, 1844
Joseph Smith to Josiah Stowell Letter, June 18, 1825
Martin Harris to W.W. Phelps Letter (so-called Salamander letter), October 23, 1830
David Whitmer to Walter Conrad Letter, April 2, 1873
Martin Harris to Walter Conrad Letter, January 13, 1873
Egbert B. Grandin Book of Mormon Contract, August 17, 1829
Lucy Mack Smith to Mary Pierce Letter, January 23, 1829
Solomon Spalding/Sidney Rigdon Document, January 19, 1822
Promissory Note by Isaac Galland, September 11, 1837
Joseph Smith to Maria and Sarah Lawrence Letter (copy), June 23, 1844
Joseph Smith to Jonathan Dunham Letter, June 27, 1844
Betsy Ross Letter, November 24, 1807
Oath of a Freeman, 1638/1639
Joseph Smith to Hyrum Smith, May 25, 1838, revelation
David and Peter Whitmer to Bithel Todd Letter, August 12, 1828
Joseph Smith to Emma Smith Letter, March 6, 1833

1987

*Are There Co-Conspirators?* by Jerald Tanner. 4 pages.


Pages 136, 138 were revised regarding John Taylor’s Nauvoo Diary (Dec. 26, 1844-Sept. 17, 1845).


Appendix F “Hofmann Confesses” added.

*Salt Lake City Messenger.* No. 62, March 1987. 16 pages.

Contents: Hofmann Confesses; Admits He Killed Two People and Forged Mormon Documents; Chilling Confession; Effect on ULM; New on 116 Pages; Blood Atonement; Nightmare Ends at the Supreme Court; Jerald Tanner’s Testimony; Supporting 100 Children; Obsession with Lucifer?
Contents: Mormonism and Plagiarism; Ancient or Modern?; Joseph’s Expansions?; Joseph Smith’s History; Avoiding the Problem.

Mormonism—Shadow or Reality? Fifth Edition. 576 plus pages. Contains revised and updated material for chapters 6 and 13 dealing with Mark Hofmann’s forgeries of a purported Anthon Transcript (pp. 125A-G) and Blessing of Joseph Smith III (pp. 195A-H).

Contents 38 chapters:
Preface
1. A Marvelous Work?
2. Change, Censorship and Suppression
3. Changes in the Revelations
4. Joseph Smith and Money-digging
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**Jerald Tanner’s Testimony.** 37 pages.
An account of why he left the Mormon Church and how he found a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Tells how he met Sandra (the great-great granddaughter of Brigham Young), how they were married and set up a ministry to Mormons. Also deals with the fears and problems encountered in running such a ministry. Contains a number of personal stories. (Ad)

Except for a few minor revisions, the printed version is the same as his testimony on three cassette tapes.

**Hofmann’s Confession.** A Photographic Printing of the Transcripts of Salt Lake County Prosecutors’ Interviews with Convicted Forger and Murderer Mark Hofmann. 3 Volumes.
Vol. 1 pp. 1-173 [Introduction by Tanners]
Vol. 2 pp. 174-361
Vol. 3 pp. 362-540; includes Exhibits A-Q.

**Salt Lake City Messenger.** No. 64, September 1987. 24 pages.
Contents: Hofmann Talks!; Mormon Apostle Dallin Oaks Upset with his Confession; Confirms our Theory; Fooling the Church; Revelation Missing; The Murders; Research Vindicated; Devils All Over?

**Confessions of a White Salamander: An Analysis of Mark Hofmann’s Disclosures Concerning How He Forged Mormon Documents and Murdered Two People** by Jerald Tanner. 66 pages.
Contents 6 chapters:
1. A Deadly Salamander
2. The Salamander Letter
3. Fooling the Church and the Experts
4. Blackmail-Like Documents
5. Good and Bad Forgeries
6. The Church’s Wound

**Salt Lake City Messenger.** No. 65, November 1987. 20 pages.
Contents: Magic in Mormonism, From Denials it was Practiced to Exaggerations; Lucifer-God Doctrine; A Magic Cover-up; Falsifying History; Think About It!; Our Ancestry Questioned.

Contents: The Lucifer-God Doctrine
Appendix A An Address by Sandra Tanner, Capstone Conference, June 23, 1984
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1988

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Contents: Covering Up Syn, Ex-Satanist Brings Confusion to Mormons and their Critics; Syn in the Camp; Our Investigation; Roman Catholic Claims; The Faust Story; Eli a Mormon?; A Serious Situation; An Eternal Cover-up.


Contents: State of New York vs. Joseph Smith; Another Forger; Forgery Demonstrated; New Discoveries; Transcript Verified; An Examination?; Destroys Objections; Joseph Smith Guilty?; A Disorderly Person; Very Convincing; The Implications; A Treacherous Path; Charges Against Us; Getting Rich?; New Hofmann Book.

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 69, September 1988. 12 pages.
Contents: Ferguson’s Two Faces, Mormon Scholar’s “Spoof” Lives on after his Death; A True Believer; Evidence Not Found; Visits the Tanners; Results of Spoofing; Evidence Compared; A Sinking Ship; CRI Statement Ends Witchcraft Dispute.
**Major Problems of Mormonism.** 256 pages.

Contents 24 chapters:

- Preface
- A Brief Look at Mormon History
- 1. A Marvelous Work?
- 2. The Doctrine of Plural Marriage
- 3. The Manifesto
- 4. New Revelation Regarding Blacks
- 5. Censorship and Suppression
- 6. The First Vision
- 7. Trillions of Gods
- 8. The Adam-God Doctrine
- 9. The Virgin Birth
- 10. Joseph Smith
- 11. The Word of Wisdom
- 12. Wine and Curses
- 13. Changes in Joseph Smith’s History
- 14. Prophets, Seers and Revelators
- 15. Changes in the Revelations
- 16. Witchcraft & Money-digging
- 17. The Book of Mormon
- 18. The Mormon Kingdom
- 20. The Hereafter
- 21. Fall of the Book of Abraham
- 22. Temple Work
- 23. Mormon Scriptures and the Bible
- 24. Facing the Truth

**Salt Lake City Messenger.** No. 70, January 1989. 16 pages.

- Contents: Church Fights Back!, Mormon Leaders Very Upset by Charges of Cover-up; Major Problems of Mormonism.

**Tracts published:**

- *Jesus and Joseph Smith*
- *Power over the Entire World*
- *The Fall of the Book of Abraham*
- *The Worst Prison of All*
- *Testing the Book of Mormon*
- *Joseph Smith and the Kinderhook Plates*

**Salt Lake City Messenger.** No. 71, April 1989. 20 pages.

- Contents: Satanic Verses and Mormonism; Battling Satan; Changing Revelations; Problems All Over; Another Trap; Satan Still at Work? Death Threats!; If He were Satan; New Tract Ministry.
Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 72, July 1989. 16 pages.

Contents: A Black Hole in the Book of Mormon, Computer Reveals Astounding Evidence on Origin of Mormon Book; Gazing into the Black Hole; Testing the Theory; Women Missing?; Missing Kings; Dating Events; A Lost People; Unrecorded Wars; Using Filler; The Future of the Book of Mormon; Highly Significant.

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 73, October 1989. 16 pages.

Contents: Excommunication, Mormon Leader Expelled After Charging Church with Racism; Removing More Seventies; Mormon and Anti-Mormon Forgeries; A Bad Experience!; New Discoveries; One Author?; New Evidence On Forgeries; Views on Forgery; Neal’s Role; Looking for Tracks.

1990


Preface

Part One A Black Hole and Other Problems
Part Two Plagiarism from the Bible

A penetrating look at the Book of Mormon which conclusively demonstrates that it was written by Joseph Smith and did not come from gold plates written by ancient Jews. Contains 74 pages of proof that Smith plagiarized extensively from the King James Version of the New Testament. (Ad)

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 74, February 1990. 16 pages.

Contents: A Cover-up Revealed; Joseph Smith’s Attempt to Save the Book of Mormon; What is Missing?; Jew or Protestant?; No Passover?; The Plagiarism Question.


Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 75, July 1990. 20 pages.

Contents: Temple Ritual Altered; Mormon Leaders Delete Some of the “Most Sacred” Parts of Ceremony; Revealed by God; Secrets Leak Out; No More Penalties; Important Omission; Devil’s Minister Gone; Other Changes; Revelation or Accommodation?; A Bad Experience?; Witchcraft Controversy Rekindled.


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Appendix A Changes in the Temple Ceremony: A Comparison of the 1984 Version with the 1990 Revision
Appendix B The 1990 Revised Version of the Temple Ceremony
Appendix C The Temple Ceremony and Masonry [Chapter 32 of Mormonism—Shadow or Reality?]
Appendix D The Mormon Endowment, 1847
Appendix E Hand-Book on Mormonism, 1882
Appendix F Temple Mormonism, 1931
Contains the actual text of the 1990 revision of the highly secret endowment ritual and other accounts of the ceremony dating back to 1846. Shows that Joseph Smith borrowed from Masonry in creating the ritual and that it has evolved over the years. Also shows all of the serious changes made in the ceremony in 1990. (Ad)

_Salt Lake City Messenger._ No. 76, November 1990. 16 pages.
Contents: Current Mormon Temple Ceremony Now Available; Serious Changes; Oath of Obedience; Other Recent Changes; Ferguson’s Rejection of the Book of Mormon Verified; Wesley Walters’ Hope; The Tanners: Demonized Agents of the Mormon Church?; Was Ed Decker Poisoned?


1991

_Serious Charges Against the Tanners: Are the Tanners Demonized Agents of the Mormon Church?_ 48 pages.
A response to some weighty accusations that have recently been made. (Ad)

_Salt Lake City Messenger._ No. 77, February 1991. 16 pages.
Contents: Brigham Young and Wild Bill Hickman; Hickman’s Work Found?; Brigham Young Indicted for Murder; In the Mail; Embarrassing Doctrine; The Worst War?

Contents:
- Flaws in the Pearl of Great Price
- Appendix One New Testament Material Found in the Book of Moses
- Appendix Two Material from the Book of Genesis Found in the Book of Moses and in the Book of Abraham
- Appendix Three From One God to Many
- Appendix Four, Changes in the Pearl of Great Price
This book details many serious problems in Joseph Smith’s _Pearl of Great Price_. It shows that a great deal of material has been plagiarized from the King James Version of the Bible and that much of this material came from the New Testament. It also has a photo reprint of the first edition of the _Pearl of Great Price_ and shows the changes that have been made in the text. (Ad)

_What Hast Thou Dunn?_ 37 pages.
The story of how Paul Dunn an Emeritus General Authority of the Mormon Church deceived church members with false tales about his baseball career and war record. Also deals with the reluctance of church leaders to deal with the situation and the serious implications for the church. (Ad)

_Salt Lake City Messenger._ No. 78, June 1991. 16 pages.
Contents: Dunn in the Name of God!; Confession by Emeritus General Authority of the Mormon Church Raises New Questions about the Origins of Mormonism; Printing the Story; “A Tangled Web”; Changing Names; Thinking’s Been Done; Dunn like Smith?; An Extensive Forgery; A Controversial Book; Flaws in the Pearl of Great Price; “Drastically Changed”; Moses or Joseph?; Book of Abraham; Are You Part of the Team?

Contents: Trojan Horses in Mormon Land; Evenson’s Claims; Promoting Dissension; Trojan Horse Toppled; Not a Mormon?; Non-Profit?; Death Threats; Serious Questions; Mormon Scholars Scolded; Tiff Over a Black Hole; Walters’ Last Sermon.

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 80, November 1991. 16 pages.

Contents: Ritualistic Child Abuse and the Mormon Church; Mormon General Authority Warns that a Satanic Conspiracy may be functioning in the Church; Too Sensational?; Flashbacks in Temple; Occultic Infiltration; The Beast and Abuse; Conclusion.

1992

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 81, March 1992. 16 pages.

Contents: Mormon Leaders Fight Satanic Infiltration; Utah Governor Norm Bangerter calls for an Investigation; Church’s Reaction; An Investigation; A Real Controversy; Human Sacrifice?; Death of Baby X; Why in Utah?; Mormons & Sacrifice; Blood Atonement Ritual; Interesting Parallels; Recent Murders; There is Hope!; Conclusion; The Lighthouse Needs a Home!

Satanic Ritual Abuse and Mormonism. 100 pages.

In 1991 a secret memo by Glenn Pace, a General Authority in the Mormon Church, came to light. Pace presented evidence indicating that a satanic cult was sexually abusing and even sacrificing children in the LDS Church. (Ad)

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 82, September 1992. 16 pages.

Contents: Solving the Mystery of the Joseph Smith Papyri; 4,000 Years Old?; A Devastating Find; Gee’s Magical Papyri; Michael Rhode’s [sic] Work; A Pagan Book?; Religious Pornography?; Roper Attacks Mormonism-Shadow or Real[i]ty?; Thirty Years of Silence; Tripping at the First Hurdle; Satanic Murders.


Contents: Mormon Leaders Suppress “Key” Item in Murder Case; The True McLellin Documents Found in First Presidency’s Vault!; Turley’s Bombshell!; A Very Bad Example; Hinckley Not Called; A Dangerous Gamble; The Plea Bargain; Serious Implications; What’s in the Vault?; Testing the Prophets; The Warnke Problem; “We Have No King But Caesar.”

1993

The Mormon Church and the McLellin Collection. 97 pages.

Shows how church leaders deliberately suppressed a “key” item (the McLellin Collection) in the Hofmann murder-forgery case. Also gives information about ex-Apostle McLellin’s writings against the church. (Ad) A second edition contains a revision on page 22.

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 84, April 1993. 16 pages.

Contents: The Godmakers II; Under Fire from Within and Without; Lawsuit Threatened; Careful Research?; The Book of Mormon: Ancient or Modern; A Striking Parallel; Cloud of Darkness!; New Computer Study; B.H. Roberts’ Doubts; Extract from Letters received in 1992; Support the Lighthouse; Church Hides Documents from Prosecutors.
Problems in The Godmakers II. 94 pages.

Contents:
Problems in the Godmakers II
Appendix A Affidavits of the Witnesses
Appendix B Decker’s Claims about Assassination Attempts
Appendix C Decker and Schnoebelen Off By 4,000,000
Appendix D Covering Up Syn
Appendix E Demonized Mormon Agents?
Appendix F The Book, The God Makers II

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 85, November 1993. 16 pages.

Contents: Mormon Inquisition?; LDS Leaders Move to Repress Rebellion; Five Excommunicated; The Thinking Has Been Done; Non-Functional Prophets; God Makers II Lawyer Threatens Tanners with Suit; Why we left the Church.

The Mormon Purge. 64 pages.
A revealing account of how the Mormon Church is attempting to silence its historians and other dissidents with threats of excommunication and other reprisals. Includes information from secret church documents which disclose how church leaders betrayed church historians and suppressed the long awaited 16-volume sesquicentennial history. (Ad)

1994

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 86, June 1994. 16 pages.

Contents: The Book of Mormon: Inspired Scripture or a Work of Fiction?; No Middle Ground; LDS Scholars Very Upset; A Condescending Review; A Fierce Battle Within; Wolves in Sheep’s Clothing?; A Disgusting Joke?; Plagiarism from John?; Mormon Prophet Dies; Inventing Mormonism; Mormon Purge Continues; Is there Something Better?; Building a Home for the Lighthouse.


Contents:
Part 1 Is there something Missing?
Part 2 Jew or Christian?
Part 3 The Question of Plagiarism
Appendix Tvedtnes’ Attempt to save the Book of Abraham
A response to attacks by FARMS-BYU scholars regarding Covering Up the Black Hole in the Book of Mormon. Evidence that the Book of Mormon is not an ancient document. (Ad)

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 87, November 1994. 16 pages.

Contents: The Gods of Mormonism; Joseph Smith’s First Vision; Trillions of Gods?; Does God have a Wife?; God and Christ Polygamists?; No Virgin Birth?; Switching Gods; In the Mail; The New Lighthouse is Becoming a Reality!
1995

Occultic Ritual Abuse: Fact or Fantasy? by Jerald Tanner. 203 pages.
Contents: 8 chapters plus Appendix
Important information on sexual and ritual abuse. (Ad)

Contents: Legacy: A Distorted View of Mormon History; It Makes you Cry!; Quinn’s New Book; A Fighting Prophet; Trouble in Nauvoo; Fleeting Prophets?; Occultic Ritual Abuse.

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 89, December 1995. 16 pages.
Contents: Joseph Smith’s Use of the Apocrypha; The Search for Nephi; Written in Egyptian?; Records & Abridgments; The Treasury of Laban; Borrowing from Judith; A List of Parallels; Like Salamander Letter; Was it a Coincidence?; Roberts and Esdras; The Brother of Jared; The Tree of Life.

1996

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 90, May 1996. 20 pages.
Contents: Mormon FARMS: Battling the Antimormonoids; “Shadows of Reality;” FARMS to the Rescue; Seven Million Dollars!; Ropers Unfair Attack; the Aborted Press Release; Why Use Foster?; Joseph Mentally Ill?; Foster Disdains our Beliefs; Foster’s Kindly Remarks.

A continued response to attacks by FARMS-BYU scholars. Important parallels between Book of Mormon and an 1825 history book. Discusses problems in Book of Mormon archaeology and geography. (Ad)

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 91, Nov. 1996. 20 pages.
Contents: Quest for the Gold Plates: Stan Larson’s New Book; Ferguson and Archeology; Mormonism’s Problem with Child Sexual Abuse; Joseph Smith and Women; The Mormon Alliance; The Fall of George P. Lee; Ritual Abuse Confirmed; Lawrence Foster’s Response to our last Newsletter.

1997

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 92, April 1997. 16 pages.
Contents: Mormonism’s Early Secrets; Quinn’s Rebellion; Quinn and Controversy; A Real Hornet’s Nest; Sealing Men to Men; Death of the Doctrine; Mormon Blood Atonement Fact or Fantasy?; A Response to Foster.

Contents: The Mormon Puzzle: A New Video about Mormonism; A First Class Production; Time Looks at Mormons; Mormon Doctrine Altered; Giving up Polygamy; Changing the Anti-Black Doctrine; Pressure forces Revelation.
1998


*Joseph Smith's Plagiarism of the Bible*. 290 pages.

Contains extensive parallels between the King James Version of the Bible and the Book of Mormon. (Ad)

_Salt Lake City Messenger_. No. 94, August 1998. 16 pages.

Contents: A Surprising Development: Mormon Newspaper Publishes Article on the Tanners; Covering up Mormon Polygamy; A Strange Revelation; In Sacred Loneliness; Ashamed of Polygamy?; Revelation Remains; Damage Control; Hiding [Brigham] Young’s Wives; Marrying a Child; Taking Other Men’s Wives; False Prophets?; Temple Marriage?

1999

Official web site of Utah Lighthouse Ministry launched, January 6, 1999. (www.utlm.org)

_Salt Lake City Messenger_. No. 95, April 1999. 12 pages.

Contents: Was Joseph Smith a Magician?; The Implications; Familiar Spirits; Animal Sacrifices; Smith and the Methodists; How were the Plates Translated?

2001

_Salt Lake City Messenger_. No. 96, February 2001. 12 pages.

Contents: LDS Church Sues Ministry; How We Got the Handbook; Our Web Site; David and Goliath; The Temporary Restraining Order; Contributory Infringement; Motion to Dismiss; Court Makes Photos of Chapter 10; Final Settlement.

_Salt Lake City Messenger_. No. 97, October 2001. 16 pages.

Contents: Polygamist Sentenced to Five Years in Prison; Incest and Abuse; Polygamy in Other Areas; Joseph Smith and Polygamy; Plural Marriage Illegal; Number of Wives; Teen Brides and Married Women; Marriages Consummated; False Prophets; Is Polygamy Part of God’s Plan for Marriage?; Abuse - Special Report; $3 Million Dollar Settlement in Oregon; The Toombs Case; Utah State Law on Reporting; LDS Church Warned of Problems; Help Line for Victims or Mormon Clergy?; The Franco Case and the Utah Supreme Court Decision.
2002

*Salt Lake City Messenger.* No. 98, May 2002. 12 pages.

Contents: September 11th Massacre; Prelude to Murder; After the Massacre; Why Participate?; Brigham Young Responsible?; The Scapegoat; Cover-up; LDS Church Suppresses Documents; Second Anointing; Innocent Blood?; Husband to Call Wife from the Grave; Temples and the Bible; Eternal Marriage.


Contents: Joseph Smith’s Traumatic Surgery; Why Not Accept the Book of Mormon?; First Vision or Fraud?; Revelation by Survey?

2003

*Salt Lake City Messenger.* No. 100, March 2003. 20 pages.


*Salt Lake City Messenger.* No. 101, October 2003. 16 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner

Contents: Wanted: “One Mighty and Strong”; Fundamentalists Charge LDS Church Has Fallen into Apostacy [Apostasy]; The Book of Immanuel David Isaiah; In the Footsteps of Joseph Smith; One Mighty and Strong; John Taylor’s 1886 Revelation; 1890 Manifesto; Second Manifesto; Mormon Fundamentalists; Mormons, Blacks and Fundamentalists; Fundamentalists and Violence; The LeBarons; Dan and Ron Lafferty; The Fruits of Joseph and Brigham; Do LDS Historical Issues Matter?; First Vision; Total Apostasy and Loss of Priesthood; New Scripture; Mormon Doctrine Today; Bremen, Germany: An Example of Apostasy.

2004

*Curse of Cain?: Racism in the Mormon Church.* 126 pages.

Contents include:

  - Appendix A Brigham Young’s Address to Legislature [Territory of Utah], Feb. 5, 1852; Wilford Woodruff’s Account of B. Young’s Address
  - Appendix B Mark E. Petersen’s Address on August 27, 1854 at BYU, *Race Problems—As They Affect the Church*
  - Appendix D Genealogical Records of Prominent Black Activists

Bibliography

Historical overview of the development of the LDS doctrine of race and their priesthood band on blacks; the 1978 revelation and its aftermath. (Ad)

*Salt Lake City Messenger.* No. 102, May 2004. 20 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner

Contents: Blacks and the Mormon Priesthood; Racism in Early Mormonism; Doctrine of Pre-Existence; Seed of Cain; LDS Attitudes toward Blacks in the Twentieth Century; Civil Rights Movement; One Drop Disqualifies; Prelude to Revelation; The 1978 Announcement; Questions
Remain; Teaching Not Renounced; Blacks in the LDS Church; Conclusion; Facts on the Mormon Church; By Whose Authority? Problems in LDS Priesthood Claims; When Did it Happen?; High Priesthood Added; Other Revelations Changed; Priesthood and the Bible; Conclusion; Illinois Leaders Apologize to LDS.


Contents: Who are the Lamanites?; Lost Tribes of Israel?; Book of Mormon; Revelations Regarding the Lamanites; Proclamation of the Twelve; Brigham Young’s Era; Twentieth Century Statements; Book of Mormon Lands; Language Problems; Others in the Land?; Hill Cumorah; How Wrong Can a Prophet Be and Still Be a Prophet?; DNA and Lamanites; Mitochondrial DNA; Is “Faith” Enough?; The Lemba Tribe; Finding Phoenician DNA; Sorry, You’re Not a Lamanite; LDS Church Ordains Two New Apostles; Mormon Church Appoints 2 New Apostles: Non-Anglos Need Not Apply?; Extracts from Letters and Emails; Want to be a Utah Lighthouse Partner?

2005

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 104, June 2005. 12 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner

Contents: Temple Ritual Changed . . . Again; Earliest Ceremony in Kirtland, Ohio; 1837 Anointings; Nauvoo Endowment; Changes in 2005; Defending Temple Changes; Civil Ceremony First?; Summary of Major Changes in the LDS Temple Ritual from 1842-2005; Ministry Files Lawsuit.


Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 105, November 2005. 20 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner

Contents: Book of Mormon Plates: Artifact, Vision or Hoax?; Getting the Plates; Plates of Gold?; Weight of the Plates; Tumbaga?; Capacity of the Plates; Why so Wordy?; Idea for Plates and Stone Box; A cave full of Plates?; Wood box for Plates; Who saw the Plates?; Were the Plates even needed?; Urim and Thummim or Seer Stone?; Summary; New Book of Mormon Film.

2006

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 106, May 2006. 24 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner

Contents: New Joseph Smith Movie: History or Propaganda?; Joseph the Man; Joseph’s Early Years; Joseph as Soothsayer; Joseph Meets Emma; Joseph the “Glass Looker”; Emma’s Father Objects to Marriage; LDS Abuse of Dissenters in Missouri; The Danites; Extermination Order; Haun’s Mill; Joseph’s Temper; Joseph’s Boasting; Smith Introduces Polygamy; Number of Wives; Were the Marriages Consummated?; Emma’s Problems with Polygamy; The Poisoning; Plural Marriage Essential; Joseph’s Political Ambitions; Nauvoo Expositor; Smith’s Death; Joseph Like Jesus?; Acceptance of Joseph Smith Necessary for Eternal Life?; 1826 New York Court Documents Relocated; LDS Church Growth; Finding Inactive Members; Close-up of Chile Membership; Update on Lawsuit.

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 107, October 2006. 20 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner

Contents: Book of Mormon Challenge (pp. 1-17)

[A critique of 30 items contained in “The Challenge the Book of Mormon Makes to the World.”]
Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 108, October 2006. 20 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner
Contents: Jerald Tanner’s Quest for Truth by Ronald V. Huggins (pp. 1-18)
[Jerald died on October 1, 2006. The article details Jerald’s quest to learn more about Mormonism. With his wife Sandra they began their ministry to the Latter-day Saints.]

2007

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 109, October 2007. 24 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner
Contents: Jerald Tanner’s Quest for Truth by Ronald V. Huggins (pp. 1-17)
[The article continues Jerald’s quest as he began republishing early periodicals of the formative years of Mormonism.]

2008

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 110, May 2008. 24 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner
Contents: Saintly Scissors: The Cutting Away of Unwanted Revelation; Lamanite Identity; The Gathering to Zion; Polygamy Essential; Temple Ceremony and Garments Changed; Blacks and the Priesthood; God was once a Man?: Apostle Dallen Oakes [sic; Dallin Oaks] on PBS; Hinckley’s “I don’t know”; Hinckley Dies; Thomas S. Monson Next President; Hugh Nibley’s Footnotes by Ronald V. Huggins (pp. 9-21).

The 2008 reformatted edition contains all the same material as the 1987 edition and the same pagination. Reformatted in regular typeface, with improved photographs of the various documents. (Ad)

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 111, November 2008. 24 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner
Contents: Jerald Tanner’s Quest for Truth by Ronald V. Huggins (pp. 1-14)
[The article concludes with Jerald’s quest with emphasis on Oliver Cowdery’s Defense and the Book of Abraham.] Min is not God! by Alpha and Omega Ministries; Review of Massacre at Mountain Meadows: An American Tragedy by Ron Huggins.

2009

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 112, May 2009. 24 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner
Contents: Sacred Marriage or Secret Affair?: Joseph Smith and the Beginning of Mormon Polygamy; A Double Standard; Nauvoo, Illinois; Joseph Smith’s Wives; Publicity Exposed; When Did Emma Know?; The Revelation; Virgins or Married Women?; Presenting the Revelation to the Nauvoo Stake High Council; Events Leading to Joseph’s Death; Nauvoo Expositor Destroyed; Joseph’s Widows; Smith’s Legacy; Understanding the Book of Mormon by Ross J. Anderson.

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 113, November 2009. 24 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner
Contents: The Oldest Biblical Text?: Joseph Smith’s Book of Abraham Examined; The Papyri; Smith’s Translation Under Scrutiny; Doctrinal Innovations; Test the Spirits; Joseph Smith’s Translation Problems; Chiasmus in the Book of Mormon; The Role of “Prophet, Seer and Revelator” in Mormonism.
2010

**Salt Lake City Messenger.** No. 114, May 2010. 24 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner

**Joseph Smith’s Plagiarism of the Bible in the Book of Mormon.** 2010 Edition. 255 pages. Revised and expanded. Includes *Covering Up the Black Hole in the Book of Mormon*. Contains extensive parallels between the King James Version of the Bible and the Book of Mormon. Information on chiasmus, the Spalding theory and other sources of plagiarism. (Ad) This is a revision by Sandra Tanner of *Joseph Smith’s Plagiarism of the Bible* printed in 1998. Reformatted with footnotes.

**Salt Lake City Messenger.** No. 115, October 2010. 24 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner
Contents: The Mormon Murders Twenty-five Years Later by Sandra Tanner and Rocky Hulse; Gospel Principles 2009 as a Significant Perpetuation of Traditional Mormon Theology by Aaron Shafovaloff; Does the LDS Church Still Teach That Heavenly Father Was Once a Man? by Sandra Tanner.

2011

**Salt Lake City Messenger.** No. 116, May 2011. 20 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner

**Salt Lake City Messenger.** No. 117, October 2011. 20 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner
Contents: “Too Mean to Mention”: The Book of Mormon Witnesses by Sandra Tanner; The Translation Process; Money Digging; Magic Involvement; The Witnesses; Separate Visions; Left to Doubt?; Reliable Men?; Trouble in Missouri and Ohio; Cowdery a Counterfeiter?; Cowdery Joins the Methodists; Following James Jesse Strang; William E. McLellin; Martin Harris; Oliver Cowdery; David Whitmer; The Shakers; Other Visions; Seer Stones in the Celestial Kingdom; Conclusion; What is the True Number of Mormons in the United States of America? by Kent H. Roberts.

2012

**Salt Lake City Messenger.** No. 118, April 2012. 24 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner
Contents: Blacks Cursed: Doctrine or Folklore?: BYU Professor’s Racial Comments Stir National Controversy; Smith’s view on Race and Skin Color; Teaching on Pre-mortal Life; The Start of the Priesthood Ban; Lifting the Ban; Attending the Temple; Could the Ban on Women in the Priesthood be changed as Well?; Do the LDS Prophets speak for God; Playing FAIR?: An Evaluation of Joseph Smith’s “Rocky Mountain Prophecy” by Johnny Stephenson; I. LDS Challenging “Anti-Mormons”; II. Un-FAIR?; III. FAIR’s Evidence is no Evidence; IV. The Real Issue; Conclusion.

**Salt Lake City Messenger.** No. 119, November 2012. 24 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner
Contents: Did Brigham Young Teach False Doctrine?; Young’s Sermons; Joseph Smith; Polygamy; Adam is God; Blood Atonement; Blacks Cursed; Conclusion; The Mormon Testimony by Sandra Tanner; Missionary Challenge; The Testimony Glove; Heavenly Father’s Plan; Jesus Christ; Joseph Smith; The LDS Temple; The Living Prophet; Examples of Changing Doctrine; Conclusion.
41 Unique Teachings of the LDS Church by Sandra Tanner. 119 pages.

2013

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 120, May 2013. 28 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner

Contents: What’s hidden in the New Headings? Changes in the LDS Scriptures; Book of Abraham; Book of Mormon; Doctrine and Covenants; Conclusion; What Happened to the Office of LDS Church Patriarch?; “No Functioning Place in President-Day Mormon Doctrine?” A Response to Richard Mouw by Ronald V. Huggins; Current Status of the Lorenzo Snow Couple by Sandra Tanner.

Salt Lake City Messenger. No. 121, October 2013. 24 pages. Editor: Sandra Tanner


2014


Contents: Grappling with the Past: LDS Church’s New Statements on Gospel Topics; Gospel Topics; First Vision Accounts; Challenging the First Vision; Contradictions; Evolving First Vision Story; Conclusion; Gospel Topic Essays: Fixing History? by Eric Johnson; LDS Growth Stats.