



Community of Christ  
Historic Sites Foundation

## **Discipleship in Action**

Toward the end of April 2006, the two of us will be packing up and leaving our Mojave desert home, bound for another month-long tour at the Kirtland Temple Visitor Center. This will be the 6th such tour in the last few years. Each *tour of duty* has brought the blessings of new friendships, a deeper understanding of restoration history with the sacrifices made by the early Saints, and a growing appreciation of those striving to glorify God in each of the Restoration tradition churches.

This year we expect many things to be the same, as Historical Sites tend to be - the same tour hours, many of the same questions being asked by new visitors, sharing the same historical housing that also housed past religious giants, etc. But we will also be welcoming things new - such as the repaved road and new curbs/sidewalks in front of the Kirtland Temple. We also look forward to watching the new Visitors Center be built on the south side of *Temple Square*, further enhancing and beautifying an already beautiful setting!

We view our time spent in Historic Site service as some of the most meaningful of our lives. And now that we are freed from employment by retirement, there is nothing to stop us from giving back more of our time for the many years of God's blessing of our family. The only problem is that you can't out give God - the minute you try, He's right there blessing you with new friends, experiences, insights, and enjoyments that come with Historic Site service! We would encourage other retirees to come and share the joys of new friendships and service to God by serving as Historic Site Sr. Guides!

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