Kirtland Temple, Kirtland, Ohio USA
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Hidden in the rolling hills of Ohio, the Kirtland Temple was the first temple built by members of the Community of Christ. Known as the “House of the Lord,” the temple was the center of community life in the 1830s. Church members gathered to the first floor of the temple for worship, climbed the stairs to the second floor for missionary training, and used the third floor as office space for church leaders. The third floor was also used as a high school for students of all ages.

Try painting the original colors on the temple. The outside walls were once sparkling blue, the roof was deep red, and the front doors were green.

Although the colors have changed over the years, much has remained the same. People continue to worship on the first floor, traveling congregations continue to hold classes on the second floor, and occasionally a worship service and class is held on the third floor.