

Arizona Timeline

1875

28 Oct: First Presidency appoints James P. Brown “to take charge of the mission about to go south and south east of the Colorado River. It will become you your duty to found settlements in suitable locations...”¹

1877

Jan 11: Daniel W. Jones Company organized in St. George by Wilford Woodruff, Erastus Snow, and Brigham Young Jr. to settle in eastern Arizona.²

Jan 17: DW Jones Company departs St. George. ³

March 6: Dan W. Jones Company arrives at Salt River (Mesa)⁴

April 8: At general conference in St. George, 80 missionaries are called to Arizona, and 14 to study Spanish.⁵

¹ First Presidency, letter to James P. Brown 28 Oct 1874, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.13*, p.937, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 9, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/93fd7376-7e4a-4d1a-a011-b5966c6fd559>

² James G. Bleak, *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.32, Church History Library MS 318, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/85a81abd-04ff-4221-91ad-0ef6587855ff/0/31>

³ James G. Bleak, *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.39, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/85a81abd-04ff-4221-91ad-0ef6587855ff/0/38>

⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.51

⁵ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.75; General Conference in St. George, *Deseret News* V.26 #10 (April 11 1877) p.156 <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2626313>