QUICK TIPS

What is Relatives Around Me?

Have you ever been in a room full of people and wondered if or how you might be related to those around you? *Relatives Around Me,* a unique feature in the FamilySearch Family Tree app, can tell you how you are related.

Relatives Around Me is an excellent way to develop connections in church groups, and with friends, neighbors, or co-workers.

How does it work?

- The Family Tree mobile app can be downloaded onto your device from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store.
- Your mobile device must give the Family Tree app permission to use location services. For iPhone: Go to Settings > Privacy > Location Services and move the switch next to Location Services to the *On* position. For Android: Tap Settings > Location and move the slider to *On*.

Getting started

- To use *Relatives Around Me*, you and those around you need to be signed into the Family Tree app and be within approximately 100 feet of each other.
- Once you have signed in, select More at the bottom right of the screen (iOS) or the drop-down
 in the top left (Android), and then select Relatives Around Me. This opens a page with a button
 that says Scan for Friends.
- Tap Scan for Friends and wait as your device connects with other devices.
- Selecting the person's name will bring up a pedigree showing your common ancestor and the lines through which you both descend.
- The Relatives Around Me feature does not display the location of other users. The app uses
 location only to determine if the device is near others who are using this feature. Your location
 is never shown or stored.









For more detailed information:

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