

"The Conference at the Tabernacle near Benson's Mill, held on Saturday and Sunday, [May] 5th and 6th [1849] inst., was well attended. Though it was stormy on Saturday, and lowering on Sunday morning, a very great number of persons ventured out. Most excellent discourses were delivered by Elders Smith, Benson, and Joseph Young. The saints were greatly edified and comforted. Joy and gladness beamed in almost all countenances" (9)

Marriages

Jesse Williams Fox married Eliza Jerusha Gibbs on June 2, 1849 (10).

Residents

Jerome Messenger Benson, 40; Mary Rhodes Benson, 39; Eveline Benson, 15; Louisa Keziah Benson, 10; Amelia Benson, 5; Jerome Messenger Benson, 2. Although it is unknown which company the Benson family was a part of as they traveled west to Salt Lake, records do indicate that they left for and arrived in Utah in 1851 (11).

Jesse Williams Fox, 30; Eliza Jerusha Gibbs, 19. Jesse and Eliza were members of the Samuel Gully/Orson Spencer Company. They departed from Kaneshville on May 28, 1849 and on September 22-25, 1849; they arrived in the Valley (12).

Alva Benson, 52; Cynthia Vail Benson, 51; David Benson, 31; Elsa Ann Curtis, 26; Lucy Benson Wilson, 21; Moroni Benson, 19; Polly Elvira Benson, 13; Cynthia Elizabeth Benson, 11; Phoebe Keziah Benson, 1. Alva Benson and his family traveled west with the Uriah Curtis Company, which departed on June 28, 1852 and arrived on September 29 and October 1, 1852 (13).