

# Introduction to Beta.Ids.org

This website showcases the in-development LDS.org and will offer a wide variety of new functionality as well as updated and improved versions of what is already there...

In the Current Release (BETA1) There are two main areas that are already functional.

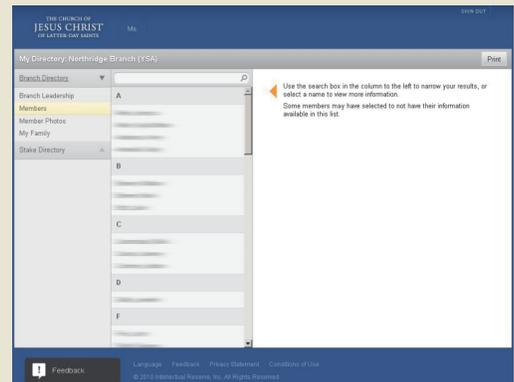


The New Calendar:

- Allows Each Organization to handle their OWN calendar.
- Auto-Sync with your favorite calendaring option. (Google Calendar, Outlook, iPhone, Android, etc...)
- Customizable, you see only which group calendars YOU want to see.
- User friendly Interface is easy to use and quick to learn.

The New Directory:

- Simple and easy to use Interface
- Update your own Phone Number and E-mail
- Upload your own Individual and Family Photos (COMING SOON)



As well as a new General Conference and Leadership Resources Sections.

To start using this new site visit [beta.lds.org](http://beta.lds.org) and login using your LDSAccount

(All you need to register for your account if you haven't done so is your Membership Record Number and Birthdate, available on the back of your recommend or from your Clerk)

Please remember that this site IS in Beta and as such is still subject to change or alteration as seen fit by the developing community. Every effort is made to ensure that the site is available at all times but occasionally there are times where it will not be up... Please be patient with us as they work out all the bugs...

## SECURITY NOTICE

DO NOT for whatever reason share your LDS Account Username and Password with anyone.

This Document was created at the time of the Beta 1 release. Any instructions given may not be applicable to newer versions, if you are having trouble performing any of these instructions or need an updated version of this form please contact:

# Using Beta.Ids.org

## Subscribing to Calendars

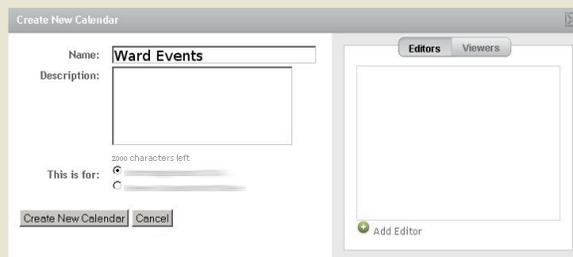
Select "Options" near the top right of your screen and then select "manage subscriptions" to reach the correct menu, Here you will see three columns of Calendars, normally from various Organizations in your Ward. Select "subscribe" next to those you wish to add to your Calendar.



## Creating Calendars

Only create a calendar for Ward or Organization Events, this is NOT for your personal schedule.

Select Create Calendar out of the "options" menu and this menu should appear. Fill out the appropriate fields ("name" could be the name of your organization, ie. "Relief Society") and add the person who will be managing the events for your organization in the "editors" column. You can also limit the viewers of your calendar to specific people, meeting times only for the presidency of your group for example. Once your calendar has been approved by a ward clerk (or stake if selected) you can begin adding events and letting people know to subscribe.



## Adding Events

On the main calendar screen, in either week or monthly view, simply select the time or day of the event and fill out the prompted fields, Keep in mind that if a street address is added it is best suited in the location area and not the notes, most new cell-phones or online calendar syncing options offer direct links to a map, But ONLY if the address is in this field.

## Syncing to your Preferred Calendar

Selecting "Sync" in the options menu will take you to a page with step-by-step instructions for syncing all ward/stake events to your personal Calendar, but don't limit yourself to just these 3 Calendar Options, the same URL will most likely work for more than what's listed... (ex. The Google URL works fine on Yahoo! Calendar) Please remember that when the Calendar is officially released you will most likely have to redo these Steps as the URL will probably change...

## Directory

Select Either Ward or Stake Directory on the left hand Side for your options. When selecting yourself you can choose to edit your personal contact information, (Phone and E-mail only, address changes are still done through your ward clerk) Do not uncheck the "Include my family Info" box unless you want your information to be hidden from everyone else.

Soon you will be able to upload your own individual and family photos. (they will not be visible until they are approved by a ward clerk) NOTE: The "Member Photos" option ONLY displays family photos, Even if you are the only person in your family unit you should still include a Family Photo.