



Religious diversity in Salt Lake City

Historical and contemporary
photographs at the University of
Utah's Marriott Library
[By Ken Rockwell for ULA]



J. Willard Marriott Library



Newell Beeman, photographer

In the 1910s, retired businessman Newell Beeman made a hobby of photographing historical buildings in the Salt Lake Valley, including many church buildings. Ensign Ward at D Street and 9th Avenue in background.

Churches of Beeman's time

LDS Liberty Ward



Cliff Methodist, 900 E at 100 S





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LDS 2nd Ward, then and now

Beeman's photo, ca. 1918: chapel at 700 South & 500 East



2018 image from Google Earth



A centennial update: changes since Beeman's time

All Saints Episcopal Church
17th South and Foothill Blvd



Salt Lake Buddhist Temple
211 West 1st South



Repurposed: From synagogue to church

**Congregation Montefiore,
355 So. 3rd East**

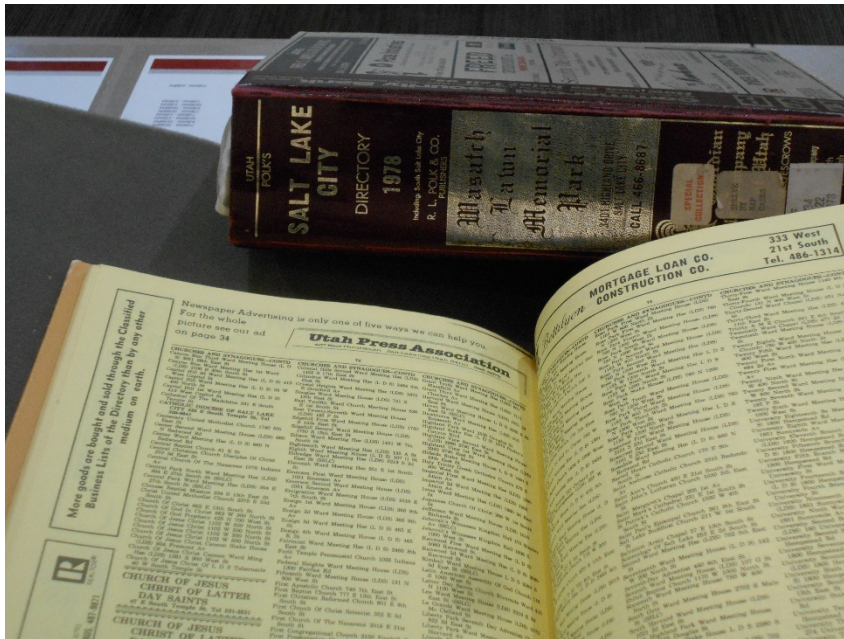


**Saints Peter and Paul Orthodox
Church in 2018**

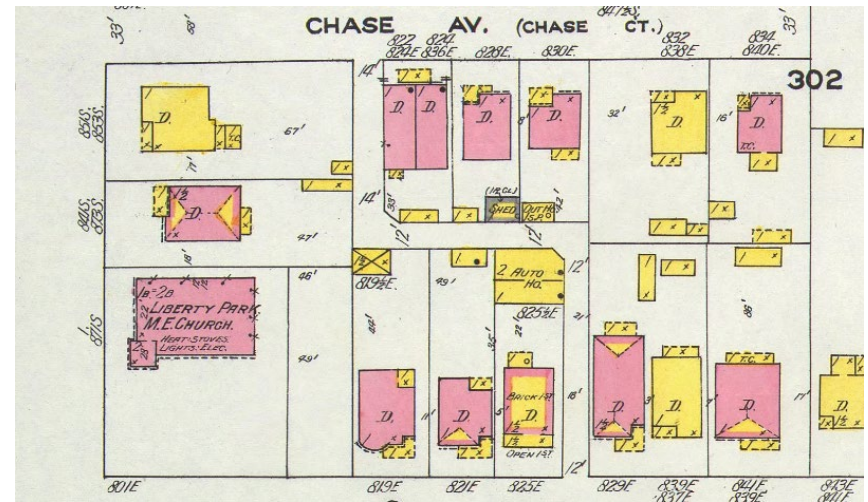


Some useful resources for researching urban landscapes

Polk Directories



Sanborn Insurance Maps, Salt Lake City 1911



A note of caution: remember the major address change of 1973!

28th Ward, Sanborn 1950

... and on Google Maps, 2018



Comparing a historic address with a recent image in Google Earth

Beeman snapped this RLDS Church building at 336 So. 400 East



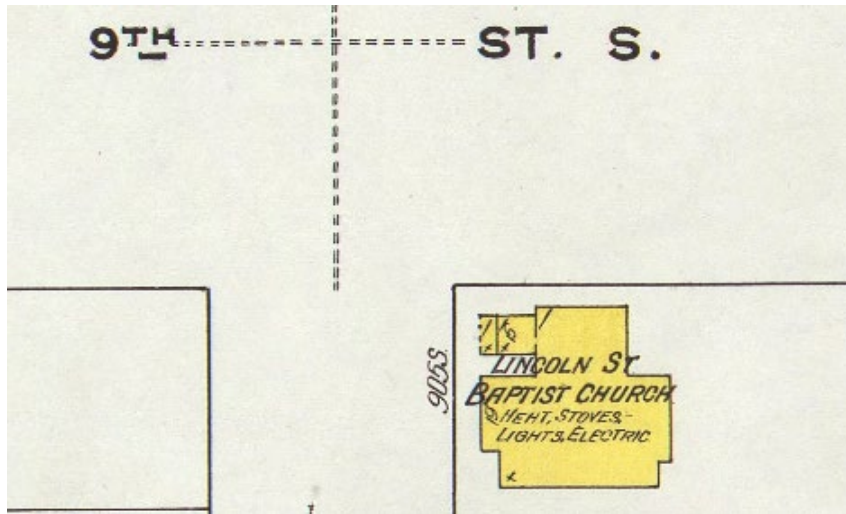
Checking that location in Google Earth "street view" reveals...



Checking the site of an old church found on a 1911 Sanborn Map

Lincoln Street Baptist, at
9th South and Lincoln (950 E)

Google Earth, 2018:
a modern residence

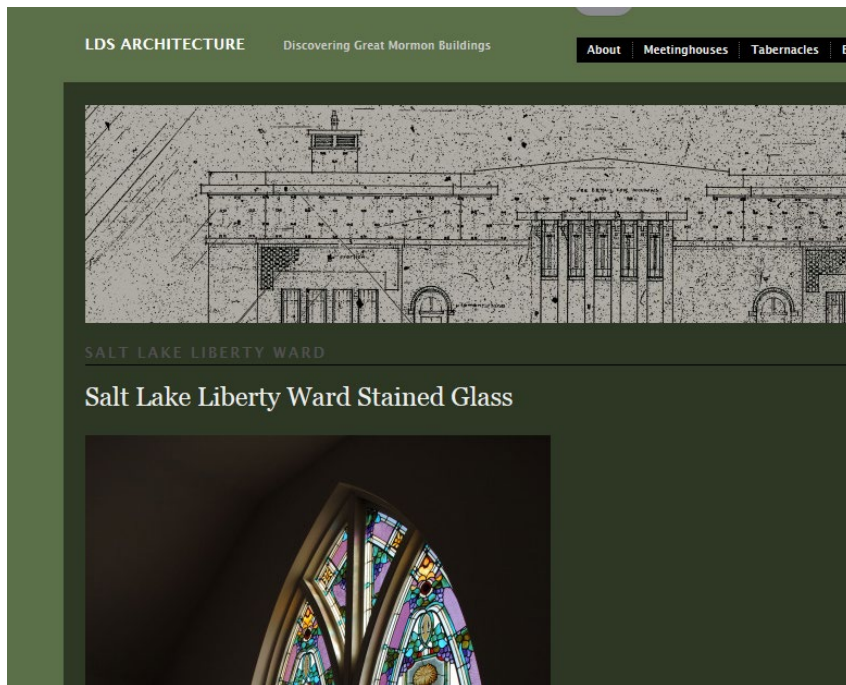


Bosnian mosque, 425 No. 700 West

Google Earth's street-view imagery for the mosque address, seen today, dates from 2014, and shows the old Church of God of Prophecy building



Tracking down the histories



NPS Form 10-900
(Oct. 1990)

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "X" in the appropriate box. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Salt Lake City East Side Historic District (Boundary Increase)

other name/site number Bennion-Douglas Neighborhood

2. Location

street & town Roughly bounded by 400 South, 700 East, 900 South, and University Street

city or town Utah

state Utah code UT county Salt Lake code 035 zip code

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

Multiple angles:
Wasatch Presbyterian
1626 South 17th East



Congregations on the move

Calvary Baptist Church, built 1911
677 East 300 South (2nd site)



Calvary Baptist in 2018
1090 So. State Street (4th home)



Repurposing: sacred to sacred

**Swedish Evangelical Free Church,
738 South 7th East**



**Salt Lake's First Mosque
740 So. 7th East**



Repurposing: sacred to secular

Immanuel Baptist, 4th East and 2nd So.
(Beeman, 1910s), vacated in 1954



Anthony's Antiques, 2018



Repurposing, LDS-style

**LDS 24th Ward,
600 No. 2nd West (until 1973)**



**Garbett Center for Choral Music
700 No. 3rd West**



Repurposing, cont.

Phillips Congregational Church
500 South 7th East



Inside Out store, 2018



Repurposing, continued

Temple B'nai Israel, 1910s
249 South 4th East



Henrikson-Butler, 2018



A forgotten synagogue

**Congregation Shaary Zedek
Synagogue, 833 So. 2nd East.**

**Sold to the VFW for a post in
1948; now an architect's office**





Full Gospel Assembly, 1840 South 8th East

First built for the Seventh Day Adventists, it was also home for a group named “Full Gospel Assembly” for many decades until the 1990s. Now a private residence.

Repurposing: secular to sacred

John B. Spencer Public Library (776 West 200 North, Salt Lake City.) built in 1921 and closed in 1965. Now the home of the Free Church of Tonga





Al-Madina Mosque, formerly 1st Security Bank

1773 West North Temple Street

From private residence to Vietnamese Buddhist Temple

469 North 7th West

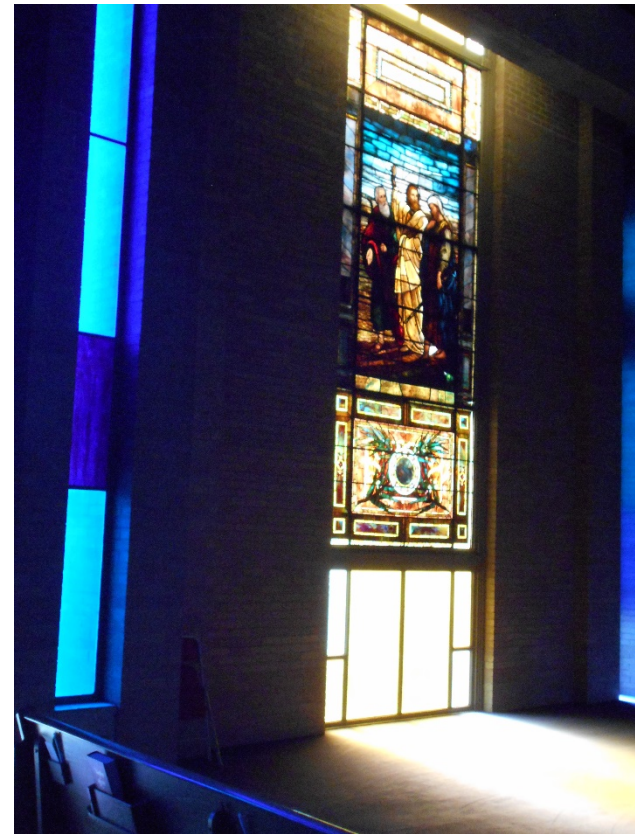


Preserving relics of the past

**Zion Lutheran bell tower
1070 South Foothill Blvd.**



**Transplanted stained-glass
First Congregational, 2150 So. Foothill**



Just in time...

Old 16th Ward, 131 No. 600 West



... and the new, Summer 2018...
just before the fall





... and after the fall





Then and Now: A road not taken

**Plymouth Congregational,
232 W. 300 North**

Site today, via Google Earth



Total replacement

**Old LDS 18th Ward Chapel
"A" Street and 1st Avenue**



**Parking lot for the new 18th
(new ward house at A and 2nd Ave.)**





Resurrection!

The old 18th Ward chapel, dismantled in 1973, but rebuilt in 1976 on Capitol Hill. It also includes artifacts from the original site, including interior woodwork, benches, and pulpit.

Newer LDS ward houses repurposed

**Emigration Ward, now Capital (Assembly of God)
1010 East 7th South**



**Old 25th Ward, now Salvation Army
chapel, 438 South 9th West**



Temporary homes (selective)

Store at 774 East 8th South,
once “Apostil Assembly” and Krishna
Temple

Veterans Hall, 273 E. 8th South,
home of Unity Fellowship in 2000s

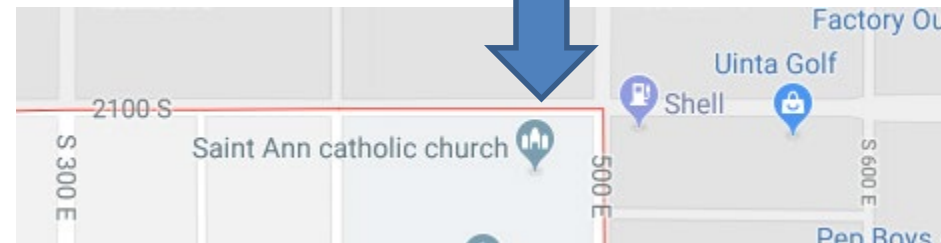


Border issues: keeping to the city

Saint Ann's Catholic Church
2119 So. 4th East



... just over the line



Beeman went out of town...

Sandy Methodist Church



Centerville LDS Chapel



More repurposing

**Murray Methodist Church,
photographed by Beeman**



**Quaker meeting house
171 East 4800 South, Murray**



... with regrets to India

**Krishna Hindu Temple,
965 E 3370 So., Millcreek City**



**Sikh Temple, Taylorsville
4897 So. Redwood Road**



I could continue...

Taylorville Ward (built 1897)



Expanded building 2018...



Yet another repurposed church:
now the Al-Rasool Islamic Center
1247 West 4800 South





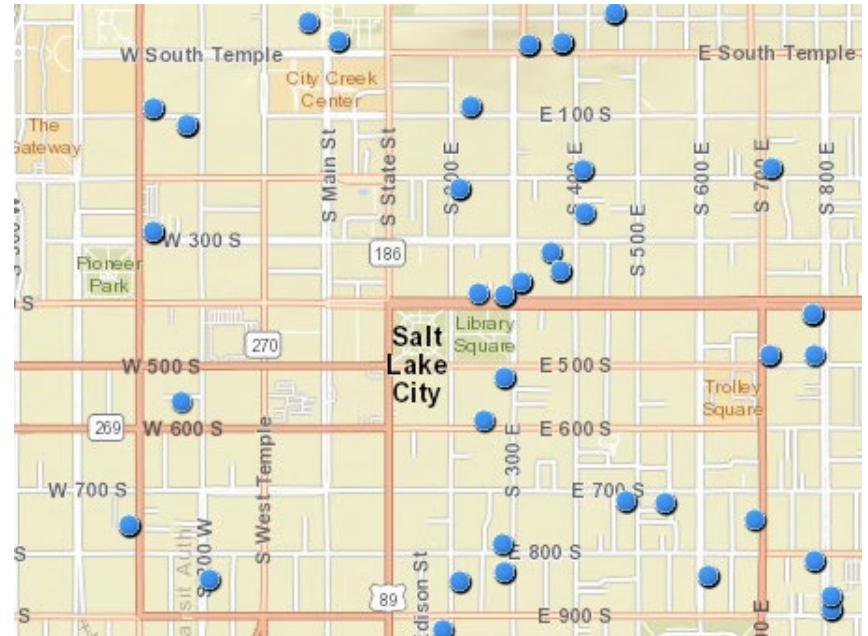
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Description	Address: 420 So. 800 East, Salt Lake City. In 1873, the original building was replaced by the present adobe structure, which is the oldest extant building in the city that was used as a house of worship. It now serves as a classroom or activity hall. The adjacent structure to the right/north (built in 1887) replaced it in terms of function in 1893, and in 1909 the present Gothic Revival chapel was built. Today it houses both the Tenth and Fourth wards.
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Links to the collections

- Home page to the Digital Library
<https://collections.lib.utah.edu/> (look for the **Salt Lake City Religious Architecture Photographs**)
- Home page for the digital exhibit:
<https://exhibits.lib.utah.edu/> (look for: **Religious Diversity in Salt Lake City**)
- Marriott Library blog on the Digital Library:
<https://newsletter.lib.utah.edu/digital-library-news/>
(look for: **“Then and now: new digital exhibit features religious structures,”** posted January 22, 2019)
- Location map: <https://arcg.is/f5LLm>
- Contact me at: ken.rockwell@utah.edu

The oldest surviving house of worship in Salt Lake City

**Tenth Ward chapel. Too bad
Beeman missed its neighbor...**



**1873 ward house, restored 2011
(420 So. 800 East)**



Google Earth imagery 2018 Bosnian Mosque on 7th West

