

From Joan Bosworth:

I found this story in the [\*Doctrine and Covenants and Church History Gospel Doctrine Teacher's Manual\*](#) It is found in [\*\*lesson 39\*\*](#), "The Hearts of the Children Shall Turn to Their Fathers". My grandson brought me a poster from Salt Lake of people who had passed and said "We're Waiting For Our Work to Be Done". I took the poster to a store and had it enlarged and placed the following story on the bulletin board outside our FHC a few weeks ago. It has helped generate more interest. Anyway, I thought I would share with you in case anyone is interested.

Joan

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**“Frederick William Hurst was working as a gold miner in Australia when he first heard Latter-day Saint missionaries preach the restored gospel. He and his brother Charles were baptized in January 1854. He tried to help his other family members become converted, but they rejected him and the truths he taught.**

**“Fred settled in Salt Lake City four years after joining the Church, and he served faithfully as a missionary in several different countries. He also worked as a painter in the Salt Lake Temple. In one of his final journal entries, he wrote:**

**“Along about the 1st of March, 1893, I found myself alone in the dining room, all had gone to bed. I was sitting at the table when to my great surprise my elder brother Alfred walked in and sat down opposite me at the table and smiled. I said to him (he looked so natural): ‘When did you arrive in Utah?’**

**“He said: ‘I have just come from the Spirit World, this is not my body that you see, it is lying in the tomb. I want to tell you that when you were on your mission you told me many things about the Gospel, and the hereafter, and about the Spirit World being as real and tangible as the earth. I could not believe you, but when I died and went there and saw for myself I realized that you had told the truth. I attended the Mormon meetings.’ He raised his hand and said with much warmth: ‘I believe in the Lord Jesus Christ with all my heart. I believe in faith, and repentance and baptism for the remission of sins, but that is as far as I can go. I look to you to do the work for me in the temple. ... You are watched closely. ... We are all looking to you as our head in this great work. I want to tell you that there are a great many spirits who weep and mourn because they have relatives in the Church here who are careless and are doing nothing for them” (Diary of Frederick William Hurst, comp. Samuel H. and Ida Hurst [1961], 204).**

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The picture he brought me is a black and white 8 x 10 of 5 adults of various ages plus a child in old clothes that look from the 1800's. They look as if they are suspended in air and are staring straight out at the camera. Below them is written "WE'RE WAITING. . . . FOR OUR WORK TO BE DONE!"

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You can buy the picture at the Church Museum gift shop next to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City.

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From Carrie Taylor:

I did the same thing a few years ago with some old family photos from the late 1800's that I had with the caption "We're Waiting" underneath it. I posted the different pictures on all the bulletin boards I could find in the church building and also in the family history center. It created a lot of interest and many questions about the people in the pictures. Now I would add my name and number with the request to contact me for help or more information.

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