

How Old Is Your Church?

LUTHERAN: If you are a Lutheran, your religion was founded by Martin Luther, an ex-monk of the Catholic Church, in the year 1517.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND: If you belong to the Church of England, your religion was founded by King Henry VIII in 1534, because the Pope would not grant him a divorce with the right to remarry.

PRESBYTERIAN: If you are a Presbyterian, your religion was founded by John Knox in Scotland in 1560.

CONGREGATIONALIST: If you are a Congregationalist, your religion was originated by Robert Brown in Holland in 1582.

BAPTIST: If you are a Baptist, you owe the tenets of your religion to John Smyth, who launched it in Amsterdam in 1605.

DUTCH REFORMED CHURCH: If you are of the Dutch Reformed Church, you recognize Charles Jones as the founder, because he originated your religion in New York in 1628.

PROTESTANT EPISCOPALIAN: If you are a Protestant Episcopalian, your religion was an offshoot of the Church of England founded by Samuel Seabury in the American colonies in the 17th century.

METHODIST: If you are a Methodist, your religion was launched by John and Charles Wesley in England in 1744.

UNITARIAN: If you are a Unitarian, Theophilus Lindley founded your church in London in 1774.

MORMON: If you are a Mormon, (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints), Joseph Smith started your religion in Fayette, New York on April 6th, 1830.

SALVATION ARMY: If you worship with the Salvation Army, your sect began with William Booth in London in 1865.

CHRISTIAN SCIENTIST: If you are a Christian Scientist, you look to 1879 as the year in which your religion was founded by Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE,

PENTECOSTAL GOSPEL,

HOLINESS CHURCH,

PILGRIM HOLINESS CHURCH, or

JEHOVAH'S WITNESS: If you belong to one of these religious organizations, your religion is one of the hundreds of new sects founded by men in the past several hundred years.

ROMAN CATHOLIC: If you are a Roman Catholic, your religion was founded in the year 33 by JESUS CHRIST, the Son of God, and it is still the same Church two thousand years later.