

Pioneer Day in Fremont: The Mormon Holiday!



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Today, citizens all over the State of Fremont have been excitedly celebrating Pioneer Day; a holiday which commemorates the entry of Brigham Young and the Mormon pioneers into the Salt Lake Valley. Pioneer Day is a major celebration in the Utah and among the LDS community, but is also significant for wider Fremont as the settling of the pioneers began the colonization of most of modern day Fremont.

This morning, at 9am, Governor Grant gave a speech outside the Salt Lake Temple in the Utah Province, among leaders of the local community and the LDS Church. Grant, a dedicated Mormon, said: "Pioneer Day is especially important for us Mormons. It commemorates our escape from persecution and us finally finding a permanent home. But it's also important for the rest of Fremont."

"Many citizens of continental Fremont reside in areas that were first settled by these pioneers. They were responsible for expanding America's reaches and, for that, we salute them. On this day, we say 'thank you pioneers'."



While areas outside of the Utah region do not typically celebrate Pioneer Day, the Utah region itself have had enormous celebrations. Parades have taken place across Salt Lake City and other cities in eastern Fremont. The LDS Church paid for a huge firework display for citizens to enjoy, which Grant extended his thanks for.

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