

The Evolution of the Church's IT Department

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In this first podcast, Stephen Shaffer, a long-time developer in the Church's IT department, talks about the changes in the department from his first days here in 1981 until now.

Changes such as the switch from mainframes to mini-computers and PCs, from one director and his style to another, and even from WordPerfect to Word have all contributed to an interesting 28-year timeline of events. These events have given Stephen a unique perspective, one that allows him to see trends and directions that the Church has taken with technology.

Note: In the podcast, Stephen uses the term ICS, which stands for Information Communications Systems. This is the specific name of the Church's IT department.

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