CDPL Bible Database
Family Bible History Record Project

How to use the Bible Database:
- Visit www.cdpl.lib.in.us
- Click on the 'Databases' tab at the top of the page

Crawfordsville District Public Library

- Scroll down and click on Family Bible Project

More databases and documents...
- **Atlas of Montgomery County**: 1876 Images of the complete atlas (.pdf) Illustrated Historical Atlas of the State of Indiana (1876) Leads to maps of not just Indiana counties and towns, but also to national maps and statistics from the 1870 United States Census.
- The **Family Bible Project** from the Genealogy Club of Montgomery County offers access to information in local family Bibles.
- **Central School and Crawfordsville High School Faculty/Staff Index**: An index to faculty/staff (.pdf) from 1876-2001.
- **Clerk Records (1868-1874)**: Records of city proceedings, minutes, reports, bylaws, etc.
- In the 'Keyword' search option type in the name of the family you are researching. The full list of Bibles CDPL has in the database is provided. For the purposes of these instructions, the surname Detchon was used.

- After entering the name, click 'Submit Query'

Family Bible Project

Genealogy Club of Montgomery County Corp.

Note: This database contains images and transcriptions of family Bible record pages entered by volunteers working with equipment purchased with a grant from the Indiana Genealogical Society. Contact us as genmcc@gmail.com with corrections, comments, or offers of Bibles to be included in this project. Do you wish to have your Bible included? Download the permission form (.pdf)


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Search effectively?
- The Keyword field searches all fields.
- Use * as a wildcard character: Jo* finds Jones, Johnson, etc.
- To find a certain year (ex. 1879), use the Year field to find results from only that year, plus / or - to find years before or after.
How to read the Bible database information:

- Owners: are the people who originally owned the Bible.

- Current owner: in this example is identified as CDPL. It was donated to the library along with all rights. However, some families still retain ownership, but allowed CDPL to make digital copies to be included in the database. In those instances, current owner might be a family member.

- Date: refers to the publication date of the bible.

- Date range: refers to the hand-written historical information entered in the front of the bible, usually birthdates, deaths and marriages.

- Bible page images: Click on the blue highlighted link to see the digital images of the Detchon
These images represent a digital reproduction of a primary source.

- Notes: include information about the physical description of the Bible, where it is being stored and who donated the Bible.

- Transcription: CDPL transcribes all hand-written entries of each bible into a typewritten copy. CDPL only transcribes what is written: information is not added or subtracted. This is a digital transcription of the primary source.