

## Testimonials

Hi John,

I have read the sample chapter and if the whole book is as clear as that, I am going to be happy that I made yet another good investment!

Paul Howes

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John,

I just read Chapter 2 that you posted, and I have to tell you that I can't wait the 29 days to read the rest! I've had TNG for more than 2.5 years, and thought I had a good handle on everything, but the way you presented the material, I can't wait to compare how I'm doing things now with the "best practices" you will be describing in your book. The material you wrote is so well-done ... easy enough for the novice to understand, but not dumbed-down for the intermediate user. I've already taken take 3 pieces of advice from this chapter.

Thank you for all the work you have put into this project. I think this needs to be a must-have for any TNG user, especially those that are genealogists and not webmasters.

Thanks again, and good luck with the launch.

John Kleinmann

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I just scanned your FTP tutorial. Another excellent piece of work. I'm just beginning to dip my toe in the water of web site construction and maintenance and much of it is still a bit bewildering. As you know I have been trying to document for my own benefit what I'm actually doing each time I do it for the first time. It's hard work and the main

difficulty is that I am learning (if you can call it that) largely by trial and error – a very inefficient and frustrating way of learning.

So your tutorials are a boon. They explain the broad concepts in plain language and then follow through on the individual steps. I find them very helpful, and they will be one of my first ports of call as I progress over the next few months.

Keep up the good work!

Best regards

Peter Kelly

John has set some pretty high expectations for himself in developing this book and I cannot say if it has met his expectations, but it has exceeded mine. I feel honored to be one of the few that has been allowed to review the draft of his book, and can say without question that if this book had been available when I started with TNG, it would have saved me many hours of wasted time and avoided many mistakes. TNG itself is easy to install with a very good install process but it's all that other stuff you need to know that will take years to learn. John has tried to pull it all together into this one book. There are so many features in TNG that it took me a very long time to figure them out and this book will guide you step by step through them.

I can say without question you will not be disappointed. John is clearly a professional and as a technical writer he has lived up to the TNG standard of excellence.

Steve Overton

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As a former system software developer with over 25 years in system development and support and a previous 7 years in application development in the retail, health care, and airline business with Electronic Data Systems (EDS), I wish I would have had such a dedicated tech writer on my projects who wants to understand the ins and outs of installing and using the software to effectively

communicate the concepts to his audience.

As a reviewer of most of the book I can only offer that this TNG book will be well worth the cost. The higher price of the book over the software itself just means that TNG is way under priced for the value not only of the software itself but for the outstanding support provided by Darrin.

From the table of contents you can see the breath in scope of the book which was truly an ambitious undertaking. If this book had been available when I initially installed TNG 3 years ago, I would have saved countless hours in just setting up a local testing environment, never mind setting up the web site. The book truly reveals the feature rich capability of TNG that some of us are still uncovering and provides hints and tips on multiple areas from initial planning to installing and customizing your web site, to creating reports, and to managing and securing your data. It will be a book well worth acquiring and will be a reference for even the most experienced users.

Ken Roy

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I got the opportunity to read a portion of "Webmaster's Guide to TNG 7.0". As a website creator since 1998 and user of TNG since version 5, I was very impressed with the scope of this book. I've helped a number of others that got stuck when setting up their TNG websites. I believe that this book would have been a valuable guide to them and likely would have enabled them to be able to do the setup themselves.

This book has much to offer all levels of users including those new to setting up web sites and new to using TNG as well as the seasoned pro. Much thought and content has been put into each chapter. Whether it's explaining the concepts of designing your site, the nitty-gritty of importing data or the various other facets of setting up a TNG site, there are clear explanations of all the details and settings.

The new user will benefit from the step-by-step guidance which goes through the whole process from selecting a host and domain name to having the finished product on the internet. It helps the user to examine the purpose and intent of their website and then addresses from start to finish how to make that a reality.

For the already established TNG user, this will serve as a handy reference. It will help make quick work of tweaks!

Being a programmer, I've read many software manuals and this was professional and informative. The book showed me - a longtime user - capabilities that I did not know were a part of TNG."

Michelle McKenzie

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As one of the proofreaders for the TNG Book, I've had the opportunity to review several chapters. I am also a new genealogist, as well as new to using TNG genealogy software (or any other genealogy software).

I have been impressed with the amount of helpful information and tips provided in the chapters I have read so far, and I am looking forward to the final edition of the book. If only this book had been available a couple of months ago when I first installed TNG! It would have saved me hours of frustration and prevented me from making so many unnecessary mistakes in getting my genealogy site set up.

However, there is still a lot I need to learn about using TNG, and I can tell that this book will be a valuable reference for all users of TNG software, regardless of their previous experience with TNG."

Cyndi Wiseman

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this book is a fantastic resource for setting up and using a TNG-powered website. I've been lucky enough to review the first four chapters, and I can tell you that John is very detailed and writes in a clear, concise, and organized manner. I think all of us TNGers will not only glean a lot of good tips from his book, but we can also use it as a reference if something goes wrong. His 'Troubleshooting Tips' are awesome! I also liked the fact that he notes what kinds of information to 'keep for later'... things I wish I would've known about when I first installed TNG. I can't wait to read the rest of it -- I know it's going to help make administrating our sites even easier, and it may even make our already awesome TNG sites even

better!

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