

## INSTALLING PAF ON A FLASH DRIVE

It can be very convenient to install the PAF program on your flash drive along with a copy of your PAF database. Doing this will allow you to have instant access to your family history on any PC wherever you go – in a library, at the home of a friend or family member, or at work. It only takes a few minutes to do.

### How to install the PAF program on your flash drive.

#### Step One.

Using the Microsoft Explorer program, copy the PAF installation program onto your flash drive. The program is downloadable free from FamilySearch.org. The program is called **PAF5EnglishSetup.exe**, and if you have already installed PAF on your PC it may already be saved on your hard drive.

#### Step Two.

Plug your flash drive into a PC that does not have PAF already installed. If your PC already has PAF installed, you will need to uninstall the program and then reinstall it after you have installed the program on your flash drive. This process will not affect your personal PAF database. Using the Microsoft Explorer program, navigate to the directory of your flash drive. It will typically be named something like Removable Disk (E:). Double click on the PAF installation program to start it running. It will unload some modules and then ask you to **Choose the Setup Language**. Select the language of your choice and click **OK**. The InstallShield Wizard popup window will appear. If PAF has not been installed on the PC, it will welcome you to the Installation process and wait for you to click on Next. If this is the case, click on **Next** and go to step Three.

If PAF is already installed, the window will offer you three choices: Modify, Repair, and Remove. Select **Remove** and click **OK**. Click **Yes** when it asks if you want to remove all components of the program. After removing the PAF program, it will indicate that the removal is complete. Click on **Finish**. Again using the Microsoft Explorer program, navigate back to the directory of your flash drive and double click on the PAF installation program to start it running again. Click **OK** on the language request and **Next** at the welcome message.

#### Step Three.

Click **Yes** to accept the license agreement. The Choose Destination Location popup box will appear. This is where you must specify that the program should be installed on the flash drive. Click on the **Browse** button in the Destination Folder box. In the Choose Folder popup box, select the flash drive, and click **OK**. The drive letter for the flash drive will be set in the Destination Folder box. After the drive letter, enter **FamilySearch** and then click **Next**. Click **Next** again at the Select Program Folder box to create a FamilySearch folder on the flash drive where the PAF program will be installed. Next, check the startup boxes you wish to set and click **Next**. PAF will now be installed on your flash drive. When complete, click **Finish** to end the process.

#### Step Four.

For convenience, it will be nice to create a shortcut on the flash drive to make it easier to start the PAF program. Using Microsoft Explorer, navigate to the flash drive and open the FamilySearch folder on the drive. Place your mouse pointer on the file named **pstart.exe** and right-click. In the popup box, click on **Create Shortcut**. Then right-click on the newly created Shortcut to pstart.exe and move your mouse pointer to the **Send To** option. In the list of send-to options, click on the entry for the flash drive. This will add a shortcut to the flash drive that you can use to start PAF each time you plug it in.

### How to copy your PAF file to the flash drive.

#### Step One.

Using Microsoft Explorer, navigate to the folder where you have your PAF file saved. Right-click on the filename and select the **COPY** option.

#### Step Two.

Navigate to the flash drive entry and single click to highlight the drive name. Pull down the Edit menu and select the **Paste** option. A copy of your PAF file will be loaded onto the flash drive.

### How to open your PAF file on the flash drive.

Plug the drive into a USB port on the computer and wait for it to be recognized by Windows. Using Microsoft Explorer, navigate to the flash drive and double click on the **shortcut to pstart.exe**. When the program starts, use the Open file option in the task bar to select the PAF file. You may also use the flash drive for backing up your PAF file.