

[?/RUFUS U SUBGROUP]

EDWIN THOMAS U PGL

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① See obituary of Ella Belle Hatherly who died 21 SEP 1998  
People spread in Valley Files

I. RUFUS U [Tentatively UNKNOWN U/RUFUS U SUBGROUP]

A. Henderson U

Henderson U - 652

1. William Green U

[More U/Ruffin a SC - Tentative]

a. Harry U md Sarah Sharp

the people have  
been spread  
in the Valley  
Files

i. Mattie Belle U d 1994

md ( ) - - SMITH

(F) SARAH JANE SMITH (Cooperator)

md ( ) - - CATHILL

to TAM U

1. Robert Joseph U. still living 21 SEP 1998

md 20 AUG 1939 ( ) Ella Belle Hatherly

b 13 FEB 1910 ( Bastrop Co, TX) (near Elgin)

d 21 SEP 1998 (Houston, TX), dau of

Edwin Francis Hatherly and

Eva Bell Boggan

(F) Edwin Thomas U<sup>†</sup>, M.D.

md ( ) Ann - - . They live  
in Alexandria, VA

(A) Sean Alan U md ( )

Adele - - . They live in  
Chino Hills, CA

(B) Paul Robert U - He  
lives in La Jolla, CA

(F) - - U(F) md ( ) - - ROGERS

- (A) Tom Rogers - He  
lives in Atlanta, GA

② TEXAS BIRTH INDEX - PER C. J. PETERSON, JR 18 JUL 2005  
1903 - 1997

Name	Birth Date	Gender	Birth County	Father's Name	Mother's Name
Paul Robert Upchurch	18-Nov-74	Male	Travis	Edwin Thomas Upchurch <sup>†</sup>	Ngoc Anh Nguyen

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Edwin T. Upchurch } in AF  
611 31 1/2 St W.  
Austin, TX 78705

④ Subject: RE: New Form Entry: Contact Form

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Fri, Jul 12, 2013 9:31 am

To: eupchurch@gmail.com

Hi Ed---

I am delighted you found my website and are looking into the 4,000+ pages of posted information on the Upchurch family. If you had any trouble reaching or researching the site s please let me know. I hope you had a chance to look at some of the videos. We made three more yesterday.

I did not have you in my email address list so wonder if you are in my files. There are so many with the name of Ed or Edward as first or middle name that I cannot tell if I have you in my system or not. If you could send me a list of the two or three ancestors that link you back to earlier Upchurch generations I'll look in my system and see what I find. There could be items of interest to you. I'll be happy to share and to collaborate on Upchurch family history matters of mutual interest.

Best Wishes.

Phil Upchurch

----- Original Message -----

Subject: New Form Entry: Contact Form

From: "eupchurch@gmail.com" <no-reply@weebly.com>

Date: Wed, July 10, 2013 6:20 pm

To: phil@upchurchstory.com

You've just received a new submission to your Contact Form.

#### Submitted Information:

##### Name

Ed Upchurch

##### Email

eupchurch@gmail.com

⑤ Subject: Re: New Form Entry: Contact Form

From: Ed Upchurch <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Jul 12, 2013 11:02 am

To: "<phil@upchurchstory.com>" <phil@upchurchstory.com>

Thanks Phil for the nice reply. I was not able to get a password to view the materials. I did see a couple of videos and they are both good and very interesting. I had no idea these things are available for us all!!

I am Edwin Thomas Upchurch that grew up in Texas. My father was Tyler and in Austin. My dad was Robert Joseph Upchurch born 1912 in Leander TX. His father was Thomas Henderson Upchurch. My great great grandfather was Henderson Upchurch born 1812 in NC died 1892 in Leander TX. He came to Texas when it belonged to Mexico, fought in the Republic of Texas San Jacinto battle was an early Texas Ranger. I have not been able to trace him back to before he came to Texas or who he came with.

Well that's all I know'

All the best

Ed

EDWIN THOMAS U

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Subject: RE: New Form Entry: Contact Form

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Fri, Jul 12, 2013 2:58 pm

To: "Ed Upchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Hi Ed---

With your input I can report that I already had your full name in my Master Outline and the connections for your family back to N. C.. I am very excited to hear from you as I have long searched your part of the family especially as regards to how your ancestor Henderson U. fits into the Upchurch family. It continues to be a huge puzzle and I am hopeful that you and I can collaborate on the matter. I have quite a bit organized on you part of the family but am in hopes that you could fill in some of the blanks without going to too much trouble. I, no doubt, have bits and pieces in my files that have not yet been pulled together. I would welcome some indication from you as to the nature of your interest and your willingness to collaborate. I suspect there are items in my files that would be quite a surprise to you.

It is disappointing that you were not furnished the password for the three protected sites on my website. We have encountered this before and are having trouble finding the source of the problem. In any case I now furnish you the password which is 2013upchurch#. Give it a try and see if you get through. If not we can confer about options and I may have to get my gurus involved as I am an old geezer and cyber challenged. It is important for you to begin looking at the Upchurch Bulletin narratives (one of the three protected sites) as portion of what I have to relate to you is already in the UB issues. You need to start at issue 1 in 1980 and look casually through all issues finding items that will interest you along the way. If this fails we can fall back on me mailing items to you the old fashion way.

We are now contemplating creating cyber based Upchurch Association to begin taking over the work I have done for 41 years so as not to lose the momentum generated over the years. More on that before long.

You and I have a common heritage on the border of Wake and Chatham Counties in N. C. I have visited the area many times and have gathered many batches of data for the different eras. I hope some of this will be of interest to you.

Feel free to contact me by email or phone (636) 530 6022.

Kind Regards,

Phil Upchurch

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15 JUL  
2013

Subject: Re: New Form Entry: Contact Form

From: Ed Upchurch <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Date: Mon, Jul 15, 2013 10:09 am

To: "<phil@upchurchstory.com>" <phil@upchurchstory.com>

Phil

Thanks for the password it worked just fine. I was able to begin reading. I will keep in touch. My phd is computer science so I know we'll the issues with computers!

I'm doing a lot of things so may work slowly but I'll let you know what I find out.

All the best

Ed

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4 DEC  
2014

Subject: UB vol 35 as pdf

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Thu, Dec 04, 2014 9:35 am

To: "Ed Upchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Attach: Upchurch Bulletin Volume 35 2014 .pdf

Hi Ed---

As a 2014 member of Upchurch And Allied Families Association, Inc you are entitled to a copy of the 2014 UB which is provided herewith as an attachment. I will welcome any comments you have. As you will note each issue is a labor of love for family history.

Some people have trouble getting the passwords for our two websites so I will now give them to you. For [www.upchurchstory.com](http://www.upchurchstory.com) it is 2013upchurch#. There you will find all of the UB issues posted in a search-able format and the 35 videos of which we are very proud. Searching takes a little practice and skill. For [www.alliedfamilies.com](http://www.alliedfamilies.com) it is 2014allied#. There be sure to have a look at the families enrolled so far and the Resources posted, especially the Biofile section.

I will welcome your ongoing support of our family history effort. Do let me know of your special interests, comments and questions.

All Best Wishes~

Phil Upchurch

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Subject: More Detail

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Thu, Dec 04, 2014 10:09 am

To: "Ed Upchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Bcc: "Dr. Tom Upchurch" <tupchurch41@charter.net>

Attach: UAAF OPER PROC Draft 6 NOV 2013 - Bob's Version.docx

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Hi Ed---

In addition to my email just sent re the UB I now send this more personal message. Thank you very much for your \$20 check for a 2014 membership in Allied Families. You have asked for copies of the UAFA Operating Procedures and Methods. They are attached. Do let me know if amplification is needed. In the past year our way of working has unfolded as we have gained experience and is still evolving.

I have now reviewed our prior exchanges especially your email to me of July 13, 2013 and my response to you of the same date. Since that time UAFA has unfolded and you are now a member. So far so good. I have also reviewed my organized material for the Henderson U. family to which you belong. Our records link him to the Upchurches of Chatham County, NC in a very mysterious way. You can find some of this by searching the UB issues but if your interest persists I can lay it out for you via mail using my paper summaries.

As you can no doubt surmise there are a very large number of family history strands which Allied Families has the challenge of following. This new organization has the potential of bringing more participants into the process and it is starting go work quite well. As participants/supporters of each strand surface more progress can be made. Let's think now about the Henderson U. Strand. I uncovered this, created a paper record going backwards and forward for my files and published some aspects of this in the UB issues. Along the way a few have surfaced with interest/inputs. I now need to see if they are still alive /interested. If you and I can serve as a nucleus to build momentum on the Henderson Strand we can use the procedures in Allied Families to keep making progress and to recruit others. I tend to work on strands where I find interest as there are so many strands and one likes help. Even as some of our cooperators have limited time/resources, a group pulling together can get a lot done. I'll be glad to elaborate on how the Henderson Strand could be served by Allied Families if you so desire.

I will welcome your response and will act in keeping with your interests.

Best~

Phil Upchurch

Subject: Re: More Detail

From: Ed Upchurch <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Date: Sun, Dec 07, 2014 7:18 pm

To: phil@upchurchstory.com

Attach: Upchurch Line.xlsx

Phil

Thanks for very much your reply and for the information. I am interested in being of some service and my interest in the Henderson strand is increasing as well as for the overall project. Having said that, I did retire from the Jet Propulsion Lab in July but I still have two jobs remaining - consulting & co-founder of a late stage startup. But at least I have more control over what I do and when! Lets see the needs and what I might be able to do.

Yes, I would be very grateful if you would, by email, lay out the material you mention - the word "mysterious" is of course interesting.

I have found various some things from the Texas side starting from Thomas Henderson Upchurch down to me, my son and grandson of course. I have attached a work in progress spreadsheet that outlines what I think is roughly correct for 16 generations to my grandson Ethan who just turned 5 this year. Most of this information came from your work either directly or indirectly of course. Henderson is interesting as there is proof he fought in the Texas independence and was in the Battle of San Jacinto as well as an early Texas Ranger following that. What I have no information on is how he came to Texas, who with etc.

Ed

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EDWIN THOMAS & P&B

Generation	Name	Birth Year	Death Year	Birth Place	Death Place	AGE At Death	More Information
1	John	1430	1502	Colchester, Essex, England	Colchester, Essex, England	72	
2	Thomas	1465	1538	Dedham, Essex, England	Dedham, Essex, England	73	birth date approx
3	Michael	1515	1575	Dedham, Essex, England	Dedham, Essex, England	60	
4	Richard	1550	1611	Dedham, Essex, England	Dedham, Essex, England	61	
5	Richard	1585	1652	Dedham, Essex, England	Little Giding, Huntingdonshire, England	67	
6	Michael	1620	1681	Little Giding, Huntingdonshire, England	Lawns Creek, Surry County, Virginia	61	came to Virginia 1638; death date approx before 1700 at 57 yrs old
7	Richard	1658	1700	Surry County, Virginia	Virginia	42	
8	James	1685	1765	New Kent County, Virginia	Brunswick County, Virginia	80	death date approx
9	Richard	1725	1798	Brunswick County, Virginia	Franklin County, North Carolina	73	birth/death date approx
10	Moses	1753	1853	Brunswick County, Virginia	Chatham County, North Carolina	100	fought Revolutionary War
11	Ruffin	1787	1866	Franklin County, North Carolina	Newhall, Wake County, North Carolina	79	Fought War of 1812
12	Henderson	1812	1892	Chatham County, North Carolina	Williamson County, Texas	80	Fought Texas Independence; Texas Ranger
13	William Greenlief	1857	1933	Williamson County, Texas	Williamson County, Georgetown, Texas	76	gun fighter: it was said certain people in Bastrop, TX had to go to the other side of the street else there would be a gun fight
14	Thomas Henderson	1879	1958	Texas	Harris County, Houston, Texas	79	
15	Robert Joseph (RJ)	1912	2003	Liberty Hill, Texas	Bastrop, Texas	91	
16	Edwin Thomas	1943		Los Angeles, California			
17	Sean Alan	1973		Saigon, South Viet Nam			
18	Ethan Edwin	2008		Riverside, California			

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Subject: RE: More Detail

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Mon, Dec 08, 2014 3:24 pm

To: "Ed Upchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Bcc: "Dr. Tom Upchurch" <tupchurch41@charter.net>, "Debra Heck" <debraheck@aol.com>

Hi Ed---

I am delighted to have your expression of interest. You and I have a mutual interest so it is a matter of what we can make of it. As we proceed I hope lady luck will be with us to amplify our inputs of time, money, uncovering of data, analysis of data, sharing with others and bringing others into the fold to share the results and to help pick up one end of the log. I'll now offer a few comments and invite your response.

First, the mysterious aspect. Item 18 in my Biofile for Henderson U. authenticates his birth in Chatham County, N.C. and that his parents were Rufus U and nee Mary Barbee. Now comes my expertise. Prior family historians of the Wake County/ Chatham County, N. C. border have generously shared their knowledge with me and I have added much to this knowledge base. Our first approximation is that there was no Rufus U. and Mary Barbee known to have existed in the area and at the necessary time to have produced Henderson. Having said that we have tried to force fit the authentication into what is known. The closest fit is to assume that the name of the father was not Rufus but rather Ruffin who would have been of the right age and at the right place and who is said to have had 22 children not all of whom have been identified. The Barbee family was numerous in the area and could have supplied the mother. But what we do know of the wives of Ruffin does not reinforce the prospects of a son Henderson unless he was born out of wedlock to Ruffin and Mary, a prospect not to be discounted from what we know of Ruffin otherwise; but please do not take that as a pejorative comment. We are left to keep gathering and evaluating information to bear more on this matter.

Assuming Henderson was born when and where we think there are three Upchurch Clans who were represented in the area to be considered. One was the Moses U. Clan and he was the father of Ruffin. Other sons of Moss could be considered as a prospective father of Henderson but what we know does not make this likely. A second Clan was that of Nathan, U., I my GGGF and a brother of Moses. We could have another look at the sons of Nathan but the prospects are not good. The third Clan is that headed by John U., III. His three sons could have been candidates but none were named Rufus. We have a huge body of facts about these three Clans but as we proceed to enroll them as families under the banner of Allied Families we will be going over the data with a careful eye which could help open up possibilities for a father of Henderson but more likely would rule out some prospects thus narrowing the field. So, you see we have a major challenge to complete the ancestry of Henderson and it would be helpful to know the extent you would like to be an active participant in this sub-project. The solution to the puzzle would be a substantial advance for all descendants of Henderson and a big plus for Upchurch history.

Now let me comment on the 18 generation chart you supplied, for which thanks. If we assume that Henderson is a son of Ruffin, your chart is good from 18 back up to Michael #6 for which some modification is in order. We now more accurately place his birth at 1624 and have a lot of reason to say he was not born at Little Gidding but where we do not know but it was more likely at the village of Brington about five miles away from Little Gidding. These are in a way minor points. You can reliably claim no 5 named Richard to have been the father of Michael but the dates and places are suspect and we must go back to Professor Ransome's data to get more reliable information. Generations 1-4 should be deleted. They come from unwarranted projections by workers in the 1945-1970 era. More detailed work by our consultant Ransome since 1990 reveals that we have no basis whatsoever for assigning the name of the Grandfather of Michael. We (my collaborators and I) have paid Professor Ransome about \$40,000 for his help over the years and have gotten about \$200,000 in services. Our Yeoman Upchurch family in England has been subjected to the most rigorous treatment one could imagine. See reports in the UB and Englandia at [www.upchurchstory.com](http://www.upchurchstory.com).

You and I seem to have assembled records on the descendants of Henderson using our own

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methods. I suggest as a sub project that we make it our business over the months ahead to share records hoping to improve information at both ends and then to go on and add to the records. We have powerful tools on the Internet for doing this.

I have already mentioned more work than will get done by just wishing. I suggest we consider how the Allied Families effort can help us. One way would be for us to proceed in the direction of "enrolling" the Henderson U. family much as you see we have done with several families already. Ordinarily we like to start with an ancestor who lived about the time of the Revolution but we can set that aside in the case of Henderson. Our hope would be that we could get other descendants of Henderson to join with us in this effort with time, information and money. If you value this approach it would be help if you could foresee a certain amount of money being brought to bear. That said, I do not presume to speak for your pocket book.

As a tangible step I propose to mail you a copy of my 25-page-28 Item Biofile for Henderson U. Many of the entries represent raw data to be digested and I have done some of this but more is needed. A fresh set of eyes and intellect would be helpful.

I hope we in Allied Families can benefit from your computer expertise and we can address that in due course.

Sorry I am so wordy but your interest led me to probe where it can take us. I'll await your thoughts knowing that you have many other things to claim your time.

Phil Upchurch

(13) 22 JAN 2015  
Subject: Evaluation of Options for Family Trees

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Thu, Jan 22, 2015 6:56 pm

To: "Ed---14 Upchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Attach: EVALUATION OF OPTIONS FOR ALLIED FAMILIES TO USE IN ESTABLISHING FAMILY TREES  
ONLINE.docx  
OPTIONS TO UPGRADE COMPUTER OPERATION USED BY ALLIED FAMILIES.docx

Hi Ed---

Here at Allied Families we are moving ahead to upgrade our operations. However things are seldom as simple as they are first assumed to be. Given your background I hope you will have a look at the two attached think pieces and give me any comments that you think might be helpful

Aside from the above I think we have more to do on the Henderson U. family. Anything you care to offer on that front will be welcomed as well.

With all Best Wishes~

Phil Upchurch

(14) 9 FEB 2015  
Subject: Renewal Allied Families

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Mon, Feb 09, 2015 6:58 am

To: "Ed---14 Upchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Attach: Membership Form 9 JAN 2015.docx

Hi Ed-

Your participation as a member of Allied Families in 2014 allowed us to make great progress in it's first full year of operation. Our website [www.alliedfamilies.com](http://www.alliedfamilies.com) (password 2014allied#) demonstrates several key features we plan to expand in 2015. I hope you will continue your support this year. A membership renewal form is attached--or use PayPal.

Note that you can direct your financial support in various ways. If you have time and talents to offer, that would be a valuable contribution as well. Just drop me an email. Suggestions will be welcomed

Your strong support of our shared Upchurch heritage over the years has been very important. We seem to be kindred spirits when it comes to our pride in family.

Best---Always.

Phil Upchurch, Manager Allied Families

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Subject: RE: Renewal Allied Families

From: eupchurch <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Date: Mon, Feb 09, 2015 3:34 pm

To: phil@upchurchstory.com

Phil

Thanks for the update & form for this year. I will get to it shortly. I apologize for being somewhat unavailable last year. I have had travels etc with some work. Hope this year may allow more time for participation...

Best

Ed

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17 MAR  
2015

Subject: Cooperation

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Tue, Mar 17, 2015 11:50 am

To: "Edwin-14 Upchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Bcc: "Greg Hicks" <hicksfamily@mindspring.com>, "Dr. Tom-14 Upchurch" <tupchurch41@charter.net>

Hi Ed---

I have now circled back to our exchanges and have a couple of items to mention.

Our big challenge of identifying the parents of your ancestor Henderson U. is still before us and we must not lose sight of the challenge. However, we can begin to back fill some of the missing data which will show we are on the job. Here are a couple of questions to work backwards:

1. For Thomas Henderson U., Sr:
  - a. When and where did he die?
  - b. When and where did he marry?
2. For Zelah Sharp:
  - a. What was her full maiden name?
  - b. When and where was she born?
  - c. When and where did she die?
  - d. Where is she buried.
3. Did this couple have just three children?
4. Did they have just two grandchildren---you and your sister (whose name I do not have)?

Any of this you can supply will be appreciated.

I would like to ask your advice on an issue we have for our Allied Families venture. We are using the Weebly process for creating and managing our website [www.alliedfamilies.com](http://www.alliedfamilies.com). An issue is the adequacy of this platform for our Resource File. We have posted a few items on the file and will post some more just to illustrate the types of things to be included. Weebly indicates that we have unlimited file space That remains to be seen. (Is it really true? Will a high volume of file content slow us down in one way or another?). A big problem seems to be that under the Weebly process we can only search the headings of posted material. We anticipate the Resource File will eventually be huge and we would like for it to be search-able as a mass of data. Are you familiar with any technology that would allow us to do this. We have quite a few individuals who seem to be knowledgeable advising us but clarity for the issue had not come forth. Any advice you have will be appreciated. Your PhD in computer science should put you way ahead of me.

We have looked at the S3 cloud option available from Amazon, which is cheap, but we learn that the search function must come from a website. Weebly says they do not support this.

We are making good progress on various aspects of Allied Families and trust we can count on you as a 2015 supporter.

Looking forward to our continued collaborating.

Phil Upchurch



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MAR  
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Subject: RE: Cooperation

From: eupchurch <~~eupchurch@gmail.com~~>

Date: Wed, Mar 25, 2015 3:10 pm

To: phil@upchurchstory.com

Phil

I apologize for delay. I have some things to clear but will have some input for you and comments on clouds this week.  
Ed

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MAR  
2015

Subject: RE: Cooperation

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Thu, Mar 26, 2015 6:28 am

To: "eupchurch" <~~eupchurch@gmail.com~~>

Hi Ed---

Will look forward to your inputs. The Henderson Upchurch puzzle is one that really needs a resolution. I hope we can build an Interest Group to work on this.

Phil Upchurch

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9 APR  
2015

On Thu, Apr 9, 2015 at 1:31 PM, <phil@upchurchstory.com> wrote:

Hi Ed----

Earlier I emailed you about the issue we have in Allied Families concerning how to handle our Resource File. Below is summary of the matter as best I can describe it. Is the matter properly explained? I hope you will have some good advice for us given your background in computers, the Internet, etc.

Also, I do not want to lose sight of the Henderson U. project. I think we can make a series of such projects an element of the Allied Families website and hope we can count on you to be a part of this project..

I have had no response to my email of march 17 to you and assume you have been busy. Let me hear for you when you get time.

Phil Upchurch

RE: An Internet Challenge for Allied Families---

Research to document Upchurch and related families was started in the 1950's by a number of collaborators. This work has progressed in print from books to the Upchurch Bulletin now in its 36th year of publication. Our website [www.upchurchstory.com](http://www.upchurchstory.com) established in 2007 continues. An upgraded version was launched in 2013 as [www.alliedfamilies.com](http://www.alliedfamilies.com). All major problems for this improved site have been resolved except one. We now appeal to those knowledgeable about computers and the Internet to advise us.

THE PROBLEM--We anticipate having a very large collection of images and documents (our Resource File). It is our preference to maintain this as one ever expanding search-able file which members of the public can view and download without charge. They would gain access by visiting our website and requesting a password which would be furnished upon the visitor revealing their name and email address.

#### ROADBLOCKS TO SOLVING THE PROBLEM

No. 1. The Weebly protocol for our website professes to make unlimited space for us (I somehow question that it will be adequate). Definable Weebly limitations are:

a. Their search function is weak providing for finding words only in "Headers" and not in the body of posted documents.

b. They do not facilitate us placing on our website a search empowered linkage to a Resource File we might chose to place in the Cloud (such as Amazon S3) or elsewhere..

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No. 2. If we place our Resource File in the Cloud (as for example on Amazon S3) we are left with two challenges as follows:

a. Will we be required to have all of our information posted in a single file to provide for search-ability and if so how do we conveniently add data to the file?

b. What methodology would allow a massive file owned in the Cloud by Allied Families to be searched by us and our guests?

No. 3. We assume Roadblocks No. 1 and 2 are routinely solved by large organizations who can spend large sums of money to accomplish the kind of data management we visualize. We are a low budget 501 (c) 3 organization and need a cheap template already existing or some other workable alternative.

THE SOLUTION---The way we handle Family Trees on our website illustrates what we need for our Resource File. Visitors reach our website and are informed that we have an array of family Trees on Ancestry.com. By providing us their name and email address we go to the tree of their choice and invite the visitor to have guest privileges. Ancestry.com extends the invitation and the connection is completed. The mechanics we seek for our Resources File should allow access similar to what we have for Family Trees. A question : Will we need to adopt a website platform other than Weebly to solve our Resource File issue?

We are reaching out to a variety of contacts for ideas. Any suggestions will be appreciated.

Phil Upchurch, Manager, Allied Families

Subject: Re: [FWD: A Bottleneck]

From: Ed Upchurch <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Apr 10, 2015 1:31 pm

To: Phil Upchurch <phil@upchurchstory.com>

Phil,  
A quick reply to say hang in there. I'm not free yet (had a long board meeting today). I have some info on the ancestry area for Henderson Upchurch but no hard evidence such as birth/marriage/death certificates. I know from family lore written down some time ago. I will be able to write up & send that soon (less than a week).

For the cloud issues, I know some but have not had any direct hands on experience assessing or using clouds. I am engaging in some consulting that may involve international clouds for large data sets but that work awaiting final funding and the decision to use a cloud or not then which cloud service. In the discussions had so far with the potential software implementer has raised the very issues you have as well with no (in my opinion) real resolution so far. It will take in their opinion (and mine) some real work to assess cloud services and determine what is called SLA's (service level agreements). Basically the idea of "unlimited" storage scaling is not true - costs can rise very much as things scale...more later.  
Ed

Subject: RE: [FWD: A Bottleneck]

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Mon, Apr 27, 2015 12:27 pm

To: "Ed Upchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Attach: 2015 Form for participating in UAFA-Added example.docx

Hi Ed----

Just an update on how we are coming with our Resource file for Allied Families. My Cousin Billy Mills of Georgia has recently suggested a simple solution. As you know our desire is to have a large Resource File that is search-able by visitors to our website. From time to time we would need to add to it. Billy says we can use an Acrobat program to merge our files and thus keep them in one big file. We would accumulate items in our Allied Family office all in one file and

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then at some point would download the existing file online and merge our recent accumulations and then replace the old online file with the new expanded file. It appears that this is possible on our existing Weebly website as we have a very large file of Upchurch Bulletin issues on my other website [www.upchurchstory.com](http://www.upchurchstory.com) and that big file is search able. Weebly tells us that our access to file space is unlimited but I know you have expressed reservations about this. I would welcome any comments you have on our way forward.

I continue to be interested in staying in touch with you re Henderson Upchurch. In this regard I invite you to renew your Allied Families membership for 2015 at \$20 or more if you are so inclined. We need to keep building momentum and money counts. A membership form is attached

Trust all is well in your world~

Phil Upchurch

Subject: Re: [FWD: A Bottleneck]

From: Ed Upchurch <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Date: Mon, Apr 27, 2015 6:03 pm

To: Phil Upchurch <phil@upchurchstory.com>

I PUT COPY IN RESOURCE FILE

Phil,

Thanks for the update. I also apologize for lateness of reply (again). I have had several unforeseen travels and just got back yesterday.

I will be very busy seems for some time to come. My interest is still there and I have returned my membership for 2015 via USPS.

The Acrobat solution will probably work for storing the data. I'm less certain about being able to search and browse it as we might like without some additional software either off the shelf (costs) or special development (really costs and not really feasible I believe). I'm not at all familiar with Weebly but expect that, although the storage is not "unlimited" it is probably quite large relative to what we may need. However I would check their price for various sizes of gigabytes (and terabytes perhaps). I don't have a good handle on what the ultimate size could be but if it grows beyond their capability I suppose the database could be migrated to another solution. As you know the cost is the issue. I have not been involved in building cloud based solutions before. As I mentioned I'm going to be involved in such a project but the work including development of software is being done by a commercial developer and will cost \$10 million or so I expect before its all said and done.

Acrobat seems a reasonable way to get started give the costs.

I haven't had time to write up Henderson Upchurch info yet but will do so and send. An interesting family comment from my dad's notes is that Henderson Upchurch was the son of Ruffin (Rufus) and Barbie. The note I have is Henderson's mother died when he was 14 yrs old and he didn't get along with his stepfather so he ran away from home. Later appearing in Texas fought in Texas revolution, was in Battle of San Jacinto with Sam Houston, later a Texas ranger (I have copy of his pay for some of that time), fought with the rangers in the Vasquez campaign in 1842, fought in the Mexican American War settled in what is now Leadner, Texas married Mary Peyton died in 1892 and buried near Leander, TX - I have location of the grave but haven't had time to find it yet. He had two sons Greeleaf and John. Greenleaf is my great grandfather.

My grandfather, Thomas Henderson Upchurch married Zelah Alice Sharp. They had three sons: Thomas Henderson Upchurch Junior (never married); William (Bill) Nelson and Robert Joseph (my father). William Nelson married Nellie Engbloom and had two sons - William Nelson Junior and Bobby and one daughter - Renee. Robert Joseph married Ella Belle Hatherly (my mother) and had one son Me. I don't have any brothers or sisters. I know where everyone is buried except for finding Henderson and Mary's grave in Leander. I am told there is a small fenced area not kept up. Birth, marriage & death certificates will of course tell the tale.

All for now,  
Ed

EDWIN THOMAS U 7613

(23)

6 MAY  
2015

Subject: --RE: [FWD: A Bottleneck]  
From: phil@upchurchstory.com  
Date: Wed, May 06, 2015 2:04 pm  
To: "Ed Upchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Hi Ed---

I write to take care of several items---First, I want to thank you for your check for \$20 for your 2015 membership in Allied Families about which I will have more to say later.

I also thank you for the family information provided in your email of April 27 which I have placed on my Master Outline and in my Biofile System. This fills in a few blanks but leaves many to be filled in which we can work on over time. I will mention one puzzle at this time. You say you have no siblings. My records show you had a sister (name not learned) who married a Mr Rogers and had a son Tom Rogers who as of 1948 lived in Atlanta, GA. Can you shed any light on this puzzle?

We are still working on the issue of how to best handle our Resource File for Allied Families. My Daughter and SIL are coming tomorrow to review all inputs to date and to move ahead with our trial plan. Hopefully it will work.

Now for Allied Families and Henderson Upchurch Group--- The fact that we do not have the parentage of Henderson worked out need not prevent us from having a robust entry for this Group. I need to give more thought as to whether our postings should be under our Resource File or under our Projects File. I will have an answer on that for you in due course. In any case I visualize we would post a number of cases where parentage needs attention. Henderson U. would be on of them. I think it would be to our advantage to create a family tree for the Henderson U. family for which we would need a volunteer Tree Master. We would also need a number of individuals, presumably descendants of Henderson, who would contribute time/money/expertise/advice. We need to start now to identify these individuals and to encourage them to participate. As we get more on the Henderson Group posted the more likely is that descendants of Henderson will find us. We also need a proactive effort to find such descendants. We will start small but grow with time. I hope Allied Families will prove its worth by solving the Henderson U. puzzle.

In the meantime let's you and I have some fun by finding more details on the family. I know you're busy in the work world but I hope you will steal some time for a family history pastime.

BTW I note two addresses for you. Which is correct?

Best~

Phil Upchurch

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Subject: Family History Renewal  
From: phil@upchurchstory.com  
Date: Wed, Jul 22, 2015 4:22 pm  
To: "Edwin-14 Upchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>  
Attach: 2015 Form for participating in Upchurch and Allied Families January 9 2015 Revision 2.docx

Dear Edwin---

You have been a strong supporter of our family history work on Upchurch and Allied Families. However, I note that you did not renew your membership for 2015 for which the cost is \$20. I hope you will renew using the attached form or go to our AF website and use PayPal.

We have continued to make great progress and are maintaining and improving our two websites [www.upchurchstory.com](http://www.upchurchstory.com) and [www.alliedfamilies.com](http://www.alliedfamilies.com). There is much more to do and I hope you will renew your membership and also let me know how else you can help.

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We have an amazing collection, but our ability to preserve the information and keep it online long-term depends on having the support of many. Can I count on your continued support and input?

With all best wishes,  
Phil Upchurch

Subject: RE: Family History Renewal  
From: eupchurch <eupchurch@gmail.com>  
Date: Thu, Jul 23, 2015 1:17 pm  
To: phil@upchurchstory.com

Phil  
I did renew some months ago. I'd have to look at my records for the check number. I'm on travel now. Lots of work going on.  
Ed

Subject: RE: Family History Renewal  
From: phil@upchurchstory.com  
Date: Tue, Jul 28, 2015 6:32 am  
To: "eupchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Hi Ed--

I have checked my files and found one check for you dated November 27, 2014. We credited that to your 2014 membership. If your records show an additional check let me know. It is always possible that something could get misplaced at this end.

We always need money but other things are also very important. This is especially true in your case as we are very anxious to learn more about your ancestor Henderson Upchurch. With several of us pitching in on finances and active looking we have the best chance of success.

While it is important to do research on Henderson himself I urge you to help with getting more complete details on his descendants. We would want this to have the complete story eventually but in the meantime you never know when details on descendants may lead to a breakthrough.

Also, the more descendants we have in our contact list the better. Right now that list is skinny. Can you help us pass the word among your close kin. Here and there there should be one or more who will join with us.

It is good that you are busy and able to be busy. Any few moments you can spare for our Upchurch venture will therefore be all the more appreciated

Best~

Phil Upchurch

Subject: RE: Family History Renewal  
From: eupchurch <eupchurch@gmail.com>  
Date: Tue, Jul 28, 2015 8:34 am  
To: phil@upchurchstory.com

Phil  
thanks for the update. I'll check my files too you probably are correct since it was latter part of the year I may of already been thinking 2015 no problem I'll send another if lost - hope it wasn't lost in mail.

I'm still on travel.

I'll do what I can on Henderson. I don't have contact with other descendants as my dad lost contact with them. But I may be able to do something when I get freed up. Ed

EDWIN THOMAS U PG15

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Subject: RE: Family History Renewal

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Tue, Jul 28, 2015 6:30 pm

To: "eupchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Hi Ed---

I will look forward to hearing from you. Being that you are heavily occupied I will understand if you cannot spend a lot of time on Henderson. Maybe the two of us working together can come across some second or third cousins of yours. Maybe we will even find one who wants to help. Let's keep doing at least a little.

Phil Upchurch

Subject: Re: Family History Renewal

From: Ed Upchurch <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Jul 31, 2015 8:57 pm

To: Phil Upchurch <phil@upchurchstory.com>

Phil

I my check number 331 dated 28 April 2015 was deposited in Lindell Bank on 5 May 2015 same account as the last check #273 on 27 Nov 2014.

Ed

Subject: Report to Allied Families Founders

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Sat, Aug 22, 2015 6:08 am

To: "Edwin-14-X Upchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Attach: Enrolled Families 10 Aug 2015.xlsx

Hi Ed--

This report I sent to Allied Families Founders earlier today is being sent to you to keep you in the loop. I forgot to mention that the Nuance merge program will allow us to keep making a website pdf ever larger and search-able.

Trust all is well with you.

Phil Upchurch

Hi All---

I think we have just about reached a milestone in our AF operation and I provide you this update. The milestone was amplified in a meeting yesterday involving Bob Heck, Mary Lou Brown, Jay Buck and myself. Deb and Bob have been interfacing with Teresa to see how we can

Subject: Thanks

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Wed, Feb 17, 2016 6:22 am

To: "Edwin-14-15-16 Upchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Hi Ed-----

Thanks for your \$20 check which arrived yesterday in support of Allied Families and for your 2016 membership.

I have a plan to make Missing Links a definitive part of our Allied Families website. One of the entries would be your ancestor Henderson Upchurch. Our new webmaster Jay Buck, is on our staff and took over as webmaster last October. He is now up to speed and we have just printed out all 500 pages from our website and are starting systematically to improve each section. In due course we will add Missing Links. I will update you from time to time. Chime in at any time.

Phil Upchurch

EDWIN THOMAS U PE16

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Subject: Allied Families 2017  
From: phil@upchurchstory.com  
Date: Thu, Jan 26, 2017 6:37 am  
To: "Edwin--14-15-16 Upchurch" <supchurch@gmail.com>  
Attach: 2017 Form for participating in Upchurch and Allied Families 22 Dec 15 revision.docx  
ALLIED FAMILIES Programs and plans 2013-2017.docx

Hi Edwin----

Now is a good time for an update on Allied Families. I hope you will renew your membership for 2017 using the attached form or PayPal.

Also attached is a summary of what we have accomplished and our hopes for 2017.

For more details on our route to digital see the Upchurch Bulletin for 2016 recently posted on [www.upchurchstory.com](http://www.upchurchstory.com)--password 2013upchurch#. Also, note progress on your enrolled family at [www.alliedfamilies.com](http://www.alliedfamilies.com) password 2014allied#.

I will be in North Carolina March 29-April 2, 2017 working in the Allied Families Cary Facility starting some new projects. Would love to see you there. Let me know if you need details.

Our progress has been substantial but we need participation whether as a casual follower or as a dedicated worker and donor. I hope you will give us encouragement by renewing today and being as generous as your circumstances allow.

Sending all Best Wishes~

Phil Upchurch

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Subject: Re: Thanks  
From: Ed Upchurch <supchurch@gmail.com>  
Date: Wed, Mar 08, 2017 2:52 pm  
To: Phil Upchurch <phil@upchurchstory.com>

COPY TO HENDERSON U BIO FILE

Phil

As usual I haven't had much time to do any research but it's still on my list! I have found some confirming material on Henderson Upchurch:

1. Land grant of 320 acres in Texas dated 1842 for his service to the Republic of Texas.
  2. Republic Court of Claims payment of \$31.50 for his service as a Texas Ranger in Louis P Cooke's company in 1842 in the Vasquez Campaign finally paid in 1853.
  3. Also he is listed as a Private in Bell's Mounted Volunteers Capt Grumble's Company in the Mexican War enlisted 24 Sept 1846 Austin TX age 29 yrs mustered out 23 Sept 1847 San Antonio TX (microfiche recs of US Texas forces Mexican War)
- Ed

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Subject: RE: Thanks  
From: phil@upchurchstory.com  
Date: Fri, Mar 10, 2017 2:03 pm  
To: "Ed Upchurch" <supchurch@gmail.com>xxxxx

Hi Ed---

Thanks for the three items you report for Henderson Upchurch. I will add these to his Biofile but would really like the full details to add if you can provide them. The Biofile is now 25 pages and 28 items long but the more we can add the better. We need to transcribe and post this Biofile. If you would like to attempt the transcription let me know. I do hope you will keep looking for more evidence.

We have a very small number of people on our list to help pursue the Henderson story. If you have contacts with any descendants who would be interested please let me know. There must be thousands of them and surely some should be interested.

We have posted the Biofile of a different Henderson Upchurch who may somehow be related. You might want to have a look.

Life is demanding so I will appreciate anything you can do to help solve the Henderson Upchurch story.

Best Regards~

Phil Upchurch

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Subject: Supporters and Budget  
From: phil@upchurchstory.com  
Date: Sat, Mar 11, 2017 3:49 pm  
To: "Edwin-4-5-6-Z Upchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>

Hi Ed----

This is a report and an appeal for help on Allied Families finances for 2017 being sent to supporters. Below is a 2017 income and expense budget. The projected budget of \$25,000 will allow Allied Families to do a lot. However, to actually fund this we must count on those who have been previous participants. I hope we can count on you for 2017, and that you will be as generous as you can be.

That you have been one of our regular members for several years is greatly appreciated. Your annual renewals give us encouragement.

Our webmaster is an absolute must and Jay is doing a great job. It is essential for us to have the help of Maureen on membership services and Mary Lou on bookkeeping. In Cary, Judy handles the Cary newsletter, coordinates our DNA project and is getting up to speed on Tree Masters. We urgently need an archivist in Cary to help with our collection. All together, these paid people amount to less than a full-time person, our volunteers add up to many times as much. Hope to hear from you soon.

Sending best regards,  
Phil Upchurch, Manager, Allied Families

**Allied Families Projected Income and Expenses for 2017**  
**March 10, 2017**

I. Income

A. Background. For 2016, there were 40 donors at \$20., will count on 50 for 2017. For 2013-2016, the donors for over \$20 gave an average of \$230. There were 54 such donors in 2016.

B. Projected 2017 Income

1. 50 Donors at \$ 20.

\$ 1,000

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----- Original Message -----

Subject: Re: Supporters and Budget  
From: Ed Upchurch <eupchurch@gmail.com>  
Date: Sun, April 02, 2017 2:48 pm  
To: Phil Upchurch <phil@upchurchstory.com>

Phil I do intend to do annual renewal. my travels mean it will be awhile before I can send in the renewal.  
Ed

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Subject: RE: Supporters and Budget  
From: phil@upchurchstory.com  
Date: Mon, Apr 03, 2017 3:06 pm  
To: "Ed Upchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>  
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Hi Ed---

Just returned from a very successful five day trip to NC working in our Allied Families Cary Facility. Very productive. Look forward to hearing from you soon.

Safe travels~

Phil Upchurch



EDWIN THOMAS U PG-18

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Subject: Allied Families 2017 Membership  
From: phil@upchurchstory.com  
Date: Sat, Apr 29, 2017 12:14 pm  
To: "Edwin-OM-4-5-6-Z Upchurch" <upchurch@gmail.com>  
Attach: 2017 Form for participating in Upchurch and Allied Families 22 Dec 15 revision.docx

Hi Edwin----

Your past support of Upchurch and Allied Families Association which is dedicated to our shared family heritage effort has provided encouragement. However, we miss having you as a 2017 member. As you know many want their heritage preserved but only a few are willing to be active. I hope you are in a position to renew for 2017 using the attached membership form.

Here are just a few of the things we have done recently---

1. Posted the 2016 Upchurch Bulletin on our website [www.upchurchstory.com](http://www.upchurchstory.com).
2. Upgraded entries on our website [www.alliedfamilies.com](http://www.alliedfamilies.com) including:
  - a. Expanded details for enrolled families.
  - b. Posted over 80 transcribed Biofiles prepared by remote cooperators.
3. Visited the Allied Families office in Cary, N.C. and helped to upgrade operations there.
4. Made progress on scanning the Master Outlines containing over 62,000 names of Upchurch and allied family members.

If you have time/talents you would offer to help in our family history effort, please let me know

We hope to hear from you soon and to again have you as a supporter of our effort to preserve and share our family history.

Sending All Best Wishes~

Phil Upchurch, Manager, Allied Families

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Subject: Allied Families 2017 Renewal  
From: phil@upchurchstory.com  
Date: Sun, May 07, 2017 11:24 am  
To: "Edwin-OM-4-5-6-7 Upchurch" <upchurch@gmail.com>  
Attach: AF Cary Facility Projects - Rough Draft #1.docx

Hi Ed---

Thank you for your \$20 check in support of Allied Families for 2017 and for your 2017 Membership. It arrived on Friday. We are making great progress in maturing Allied families. Attached is a project list for our Cary, NC Facility which we will soon be showing as our Headquarters. This reveals our forward movement.

We have a special challenge with the family of your ancestor Henderson Upchurch. Our other main groups fall under the heading of an enrolled family and we have a structure in place to support these groups with newsletters, Family Trees on [Ancestry.com](http://Ancestry.com), etc. They are represented by a goodly number of interested/involved descendants. This means that these groups will benefit from the ongoing success of Allied Families.

On the other hand the Henderson Upchurch group has very few descendants that are interested/involved and we do not have the Henderson group as an enrolled family. Our best option is to get started on Henderson in our missing Links section which we are yet to inaugurate. It would be great if you could locate some other Henderson descendants to work with us. Another plus would be for you to spend an hour or so writing what you know of your heritage. You mentioned this earlier.

At some point we may call on you for advice on our computer system. So far we are getting all the key material on our two websites. We are increasingly using DropBox and can use it more.

I know how demanding the work world can be and therefore will be all the more appreciative of any support you can provide. I hope we can remove the Henderson Group from the "orphan" category. If you would have a DNA test done it would help.

Sending All Best Wishes~

Phil Upchurch

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Subject: More on Henderson

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Fri, Jun 09, 2017 11:03 am

To: "Edwin-OM-4-5-6-7 Upchurch" <upchurch@gmail.com>

Bcc: "Brenda-Vol-OM Carbon" <italia19@aol.com>

Hi Ed---

We are making great progress on our two websites for our Upchurch work and our Association is evolving in a variety of positive ways. For many of our Families being tracked we have excellent participation financially and otherwise. However, for Henderson we are short in several ways. We have only two Members who are descendants of Henderson. The one who has just joined is Sara Cahill. She has authorized me to share her email address with you which is <wbsje@austin.rr.com>. Feel free to contact her if you desire. She has agreed to try to recruit more Henderson descendants to participate and I hope you will do the same.

We are not yet ready to create a Henderson Upchurch Enrolled Family but we have some other options to pursue if we have the support. One is we need to add a Missing Links Section on our website where there would be an excellent opportunity to provide all the details in hopes of learning more of his heritage. Secondly, we are contemplating adding a resource section on Enclaves where Upchurches lived. We could include at least one Enclave where Henderson lived with a lot of reinforcing material. Thirdly, It could be helpful if you and other male descendants took a YDNA test as a part of our Allied Families DNA Project operated out of our Cary, NC Facility. We have a Coordinator there for this effort. I realize you are busy in the work world so any effort you can spare for the Henderson Upchurch Project will be all the more appreciated. It is an important part of our Upchurch heritage that needs to be amplified.

Sending All Best Wishes--

Phil Upchurch, Manager, Allied Families

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Subject: Re: More on Henderson

From: Ed Upchurch <upchurch@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Jun 09, 2017 1:04 pm

To: Phil Upchurch <phil@upchurchstory.com>

Phil

Thanks for this news. I am still short on time but will contact Sara (I talked with her by phone once years ago) and will do the dna test you mention. I won't promise more for now as not sure I could definitely do more yet.

All the best

Ed

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Subject: [FWD: Re: More on Henderson]

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Fri, Jun 09, 2017 3:19 pm

To: "Brenda-Vol-OM Carbon" <italia19@aol.com>

Cc: "Edwin-OM-4-5-6-7 Upchurch" <upchurch@gmail.com>

Hi Brenda---

As Coordinator of our Allied Families DNA Project would you please contact our member Edwin Upchurch and let him know how our project can help get the most out of his DNA test. I would hope it would be somehow helpful for us to resolve the issue of how his ancestor Henderson Upchurch born in Chatham County, NC in the early 1800's fits into the Upchurch family. In that era there were three of the 22 Upchurch Clans that lived in the general area. Maybe Ed's DNA test would show a closer relationship to one of these assuming we have tests from descendants of all three.

Cheers~

Phil Upchurch, Manager, Allied Families

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Subject: Allied Families Collaboration

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Thu, Oct 05, 2017 4:28 pm

To: "Edwin-OM-4-5-6-7 Upchurch" <upchurch@gmail.com>

Hi Edwin---

I write to thank you for your interest in our family history venture and to tell you of a new milestone reached regarding data processing. From the copy of the forwarded email below you will see we have reached out to 50 remote volunteer computer operatives to update our collaboration and to set priorities. Having 50 such volunteers is a major achievement and shows the strength of our family history approach

We do not have you listed as a remote volunteer computer worker and hereby extend an invitation for you to join our volunteer ranks. You may not be able to accept for whatever reason but do know such help is vital to keeping up the fantastic momentum we have achieved so far in Allied Families dealing with our shared heritage.

In any case please do visit our two websites to stay current on our progress and let us have your comments and advice from time to time.

In appreciation for sharing your heritage and for making it a part of our growing American family~

Phil Upchurch, Manager, Allied Families.

Hi Kendal---

This email is to thank you for your participation in our Allied Families History Association and to ask for your feedback concerning your future participation. You are among fifty on our list as active Biofile transcribers or as active in helping to create "Trees" on [Ancestry.com](http://Ancestry.com). This same email is being sent to all cooperators who have volunteered to make computer entries for our family history effort. Our focus has evolved along the way and I may have missed a beat with some cooperators. This email may even cross paths with other exchanges I have with you. Let me describe to you our current priorities to give you more background.

**Biofile Projects:**

EDWIN THOMAS U

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Upchurch & Allied Families Association

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Contact Phil at (636) 898-8516 or (314) 313-4734 (cell)

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August 29, 2015

Dr EDWIN T. UPCHURCH  
2852 N 89<sup>TH</sup> STREET  
MESA AZ 85207

Dear Cousin Ed -

Just now catching up with a few things. Re your email of 31 JUL 2015 I have found your check # 273- for \$20 properly recorded in my system - also my email of 6 MAY 2015 thanking you for it. Sorry for the mix-up. When we moved in 2014 I had to split my family operations between our Apartment office and Allied Families Headquarters about six miles away. I am only gradually accomodating this complication.

We both seem to be very busy but I hope we can find some time along the way to improve the record on your Upchurch heritage. As we approach I invite you to add to, comment on, correct the enclosed single sheet on the family of Thomas Henderson U, Sr, your Grandfather

on a different aspect of the Henderson  
let me briefly mention how I plan  
the Allied Families website to help. The  
initiative will fall under a Project to  
locate the parents for early Upchurches for  
whom no parent is known. I call this  
a missing Linka Project. It has long been  
a feature in the Upchurch Bulletin and  
now I propose to transition it to the  
Website. There will be a number of  
Subprojects of which Henderson will be  
one. For each subproject we will maintain  
a list of interested individuals and their  
contact information. We hope that at least  
some of these will be actual researchers.

Periodic reports will be sent to those  
on the contact list. Using the power of  
the Internet should enhance our chance  
of success.

I will welcome your inputs, advice,  
and support of Allied Families. Having many  
participants will help.

Best wishes

Cousin Phil Upchurch

**Subject:** Allied Families 2017 Renewal

**From:** phil@upchurchstory.com

**Date:** Sun, May 07, 2017 11:24 am

**To:** "Edwin-OM-4-5-6-7 Upchurch" <upchurch@gmail.com>

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Sending All Best Wishes~

Phil Upchurch

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5/3/19**Subject:** Missing Links**From:** phil@upchurchstory.com**Date:** Fri, May 03, 2019 2:21 pm**To:** "Edwin T-OM-4-5-6-7-0-A Upchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>**Cc:** "Jay--OM aaxBuck" <jaycbuck@gmail.com>**Bcc:** "Dr David Thomas (TOM) S46Z9 Upchurch" <tomupchurch41@gmail.com>, "Deb-S-4-5-6-7-8-9 aaHeck" <debrauheck@aol.com>XXX

Hi Edwin,

I have in the not too distant past interacted with you about a "ML" (missing link) in our Upchurch family. Originally data about ML's were placed in the *Upchurch Bulletin* (1980-2016). Currently, Jay Buck and I are working to take ML excerpts from the *Upchurch Bulletin* and place them on our website under the Resources Tab in a section entitled, "Missing Links." Go to our website to see Missing Links. Your interest is in ML-18 & 23 re: Henderson Upchurch.

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Subject: RE: Payment received from eupchurch@gmail.com  
From: phil@upchurchstory.com  
Date: Sat, May 04, 2019 7:05 am  
To: "Ed Upchurch" <eupchurch@gmail.com>  
Cc: "Jay Buck" <jay.buck@alliedfamilies.org>  
Bcc: "Dr David Thomas (TOM) S4629 Upchurch" <tomupchurch41@gmail.com> "Deb-S-4-5-6-7-8-9 aaHeck" <debrauheck@aol.com>

Hi Ed---

Thanks for your donation of \$50 to UAFA for your 2019 membership which has arrived via Pay Pal. Thanks also for your separate comments that you will look into the matter of the Missing Links section under our Resources tab concerning your ancestor Henderson Upchurch. Now that we have the Missing Links section migrated to our website I hope we can augment details there on Henderson. Please let me know if you have something to add in the way of an entry to shed a little more light.

Best Always~

Phil Upchurch, Founder, Allied Families.

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From: Ed Upchurch via PayPal <service@paypal.com>  
Date: Fri, May 03, 2019 3:23 pm  
To: Phil Upchurch <phil@upchurchstory.com>

Henderson U. Research



May 3, 2019 13:23:34 PDT

Transaction ID: 19148352DT161903C

Hello Phil Upchurch,

You received a payment of \$50.00 USD from (eupchurch@gmail.com).

To see all the transaction details, please log into your PayPal account. It may take a few moments for this transaction to appear in your account.

**Buyer Information**

Ed Upchurch  
eupchurch@gmail.com

**Instructions from buyer**

None provided

**Shipping Information:**

Ed Upchurch  
2852 N 89th St  
Mesa, AZ 85207  
United States

**Shipping method:**

Not specified



[Print](#) | [Close Window](#)**Subject:** Re: Missing Links**From:** Ed Upchurch <eupchurch@gmail.com>**Date:** Fri, May 03, 2019 3:18 pm**To:** Phil Upchurch <phil@upchurchstory.com>

Phil

I'll look for that info email and see what I can do.

PS I'll send in my membership too.

All the best.

Ed

On Fri, May 3, 2019 at 12:23 PM &lt;phil@upchurchstory.com&gt; wrote:

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