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January 24, 2017

Dear Matthew,

It is time for an update on Allied Families.

The enclosed UB for 2016 shows our shift to digital work has been significant.

Provided is a summary of what we have done in our shift and what we hope for in 2017. Our \$25,000 2017 budget should allow us to do a lot if we can get it funded. Any encouragement you can provide will be welcomed.

I would be in NC March 29 - April 2 with public events 2-4 pm on Thursday March 30 and 2-4 pm on Saturday April 1. It would be great to see you at one or both events.

I realize your family and work obligations limit your time for Allied Families. Still, we know of your deep interest and your depth of knowledge - especially re YOPES

In Appreciation

Phil Upchurch

MEMBERSHIP
FORM
ENCLOSURE

Subject: Re: Joan Levy/Nathan Descendant
From: "Matthew T. Yates" <matthewyates@aix.com>
Date: Fri, Aug 26, 2016 12:48 pm
To: phil@upchurchstory.com
Cc: woodyhyates@gmail.com
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Dr. Upchurch, here is what I reviewed this morning on Margaret Yates Upchurch. Feel free to review, comment, and share if at all helpful:

Per William's Will dated 1806 and recorded 1808: " item I give Margaret Yeats one featherbed and furniture and one cow and one calf." This is my evidence that she is his daughter. The 1800 census (last he was in) he has 1 white female between ages 1 and 10, and 1 other older white female between ages 20 and 40 (likely his wife).

He also names the following daughters in his will (I've listed them in order of appearance, which may or may not correlate with age. Only Margaret and Sally are the only two listed still having their maiden name leading me to believe they were unmarried in 1806):

Elizabeth Gregory
Creecy Strickland
Mary Beasley
Milly Harrod (Harwood,Harward,etc spellings were off back then)
Sally Yeats

Probate on Burtis Upchurch was done in 1846 and Margaret was still living. I have in my tree (not backed by any evidence) her birth year as 1788, but that doesn't line up with the 1800 census so closer examination is likely needed.

Without a headstone it is harder to pinpoint the birth year and death year. We see her in the 1850 census and not in the 1860 so that might be a reason her death is listed as 1859. Her age in 1850 is listed as 70, which would put her birth year at 1780.

The next earlier census was the 1790 (first Federal Census) and as he purchased land in 1784 from Absolom Harwood at the edge of Wake/Chatham we'd expect to find him in the Hillsborough district either in Wake or Chatham (Luckily, as the link below denotes, the records for Wake and Chatham survived where other counties in that district were destroyed).

We find a "Wm Yeats" in Wake with 3 males under 16, 1 male over 16, and 7 females (sadly not broken out any by age and, I believe, would've included his wife).

<http://statelibrarync.org/news/2015/12/census-tips-1790-census/>

As you can see, it is difficult to pinpoint her age. I would think that if she was named by her maiden name in 1806 that she'd still be living with her parents in 1800, but the census doesn't align with that (it could be her or Sally, but not both).

She (or her sister) might've been listed (maybe living with) one of her brothers' families. Unfortunately, it wasn't until the 1850 census that they listed each member of the household by name. It would take more review of Burtis Upchurch in the census because that might show when he and Margaret married. Gilbert Burtis Upchurch (buried in Prestonwood CC) was born in 1820, so they were certainly married prior to that year, possibly earlier as I don't have all the siblings in that generation listed in my notes.

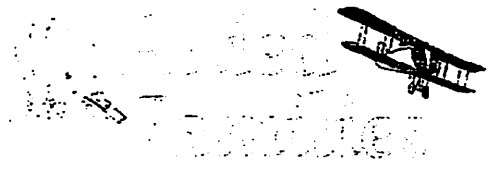
For the info on William - I've never seen valid evidence that his wife was a Tapp, nor that he was a son of George (or clear evidence of who his parents at this point). Further research here is welcomed, but it may be left only to circumstantial evidence or remain a mystery as records might've been destroyed or otherwise lost to time. Closer scrutiny of the tax records and similarly non-indexed and arduous to search materials may yield clues which are yet undiscovered on his origins. That generation is also made more complicated by the 1752 adoption by the British of the Gregorian calendar from the Julian.

Best regards,
Matthew

MATTHEW TYLER YATES

XFD-60215

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September 25, 2015

MATTHEW YATES
5924 TERRINGTON LANE
RALEIGH NC 27606

Dear Matthew -

After many years of adding to my files on the Yates Family I have now pulled together on the two enclosed sheets a rough outline. I would appreciate it if you would have a look at the proposed outline and offer corrections as appropriate.

I propose that William Yates 1727-1808 will be the patriarch of the Yates Family and please enroll under the banner of Allied Families. This is a very important family and I am anxious to proceed with the enrollment.

Thanks for your interest and support

Phil Upchurch

① RPH

TENTATIVE YATES FAMILY MASTER OUTLINE 24 SEP 15

②

- I. W^m Yates 1722-1808 md(?) Mary Tapp 1732-1812 1762-1806
- A. Matthew Tyson Yates 1760 (1773)-1837 md(1st) Elizabeth Wetherby
md(2nd) - - -
1. Hardy Yates 1787-1793
 2. Patsy Yates 1787-1793
 3. Polly Yates 1790-1831
 4. Ada Yates 1792-1823
 5. Susie Yates 1792-1797
 6. William Yates 1795-1866 md(?) Delilah Boudge h 1798

- a → j
- a. BASIL YATES b 1812 MD (?) HASKY --
- i. William Yates h 1839
 - ii. Maudred Yates h 1842
 - iii. George Yates h 1844
 - iv. Matthew Yates h 1848
- (I) W^m Charles Manly Yates 1861-1931
MD (?) Della Jones
- (A) Kyle Manly Yates 1895-1975
 - (B) Gleason Andrew Yates 1897-1957
md(?) Mahol — b 1896
 - (1) Doris Yates 1930 md(?) Billy Y
 - (2) Walter G. Yates h 1932
 - (3) Willie V. Yates h 1934
 - (4) G. A. Yates, Jr h 1937
- (C) Catherine Virginia Yates 1878
 - (D) Wray Jones Yates 1901-1974
 - (E) W^m Brown Yates 1903-1989
 - (F) Hester Yates b 1906
- G. BAZEL Yates h 1908
- (H) Nancy Hellen Yates 1913
 - (I) Clint Wendell Yates 1913-1970
 - (J) Virginia Ruth Yates 1915-1994
 - (K) Robert Wade Yates h 1911

- a Basil B. Yates 1817 -
- b Matthew Tyson Yates 1819 - 1888
- c George C. Yates 1820 -
- d Mary Jane Yates 1823 -
- e Joseph B. Yates 1825 -
- f Lucian B. Yates 1827 -
- h Sarah Anne Yates 1833 -
- i Elizabeth Lane Yates 1834 -
- j Amelia Caroline Yates 1839 -

7. Lewis Yates 1792-1827 md(?) Mary Beach 1797-1896 (US - POLLY REICHT/REICHT)
- a. W^m Yates 1824-1899 md(?) Maddy Jane Ferrell 1821-1901
- i. L.S. Yates "LEWIS" 1845-1920 md(?) Amelia Y "Meliana"

- [D/O Gilbert Burtis Y] md(2nd) Martha - -
- (I) Matthew Thomas Yates 1870-1943
md(?) Nancy Jane Markan (MAR.COM)
- (A) → (J)
- (I) HERMAN YATES 1911-2003
- (1) WOODY HERMAN YATES MD(?) - SEARS
 - (2) MATTHEW TYLER YATES

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- (I) Herman Yates 1911 - 2003
- (J) Zola Mae Yates 1914 - 1970

- E. WILLIAM YATES, II b 1862
1. ELI YATES b 1890 (CHATRAM CO, NC)

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1. ELI YATES b 1890 (CHATHAM CO, NC)

- a. Frances Yates and Dorsey Council
- b. Anne Yates b 3 JUL 1833 (Wake Co, NC) d 1905
 and 12 DEC 1853 Charles Remondine Scott
 (son of John and Ada (U) Scott, Jr)
- c. Samantha Yates b 23 NOV 1835 (Wake Co, NC) d 1911
 and 1st Joseph Scott and 2nd W. G. Ford
- d. Atlas Yates and Betty Council.
 - a. Narcissa Ada Yates 1865-1940
 and William Burton U. I.
- e. Wesley Yates and Penelope Scott b 1838
 she and 2nd Matthew Harward
- f. Chisel Yates NM d age 17
- g. James Yates and 1st A. Lily Oline.
- h. Calvin Yates and 1849 (Wake Co, NC)
- i. Clara Alford
- j. Alvin Yates and 29 JAN 1846 Mary
- k. Jane Harward
- l. Carlos Yates and 1839 (Wake Co, NC)
- m. Mary Ann Mackham
- n. Phares Yates and 1843 Harnet Bledsoe
 and 2nd Roxie Anne Perry.

MATTHEW TYLER YATES

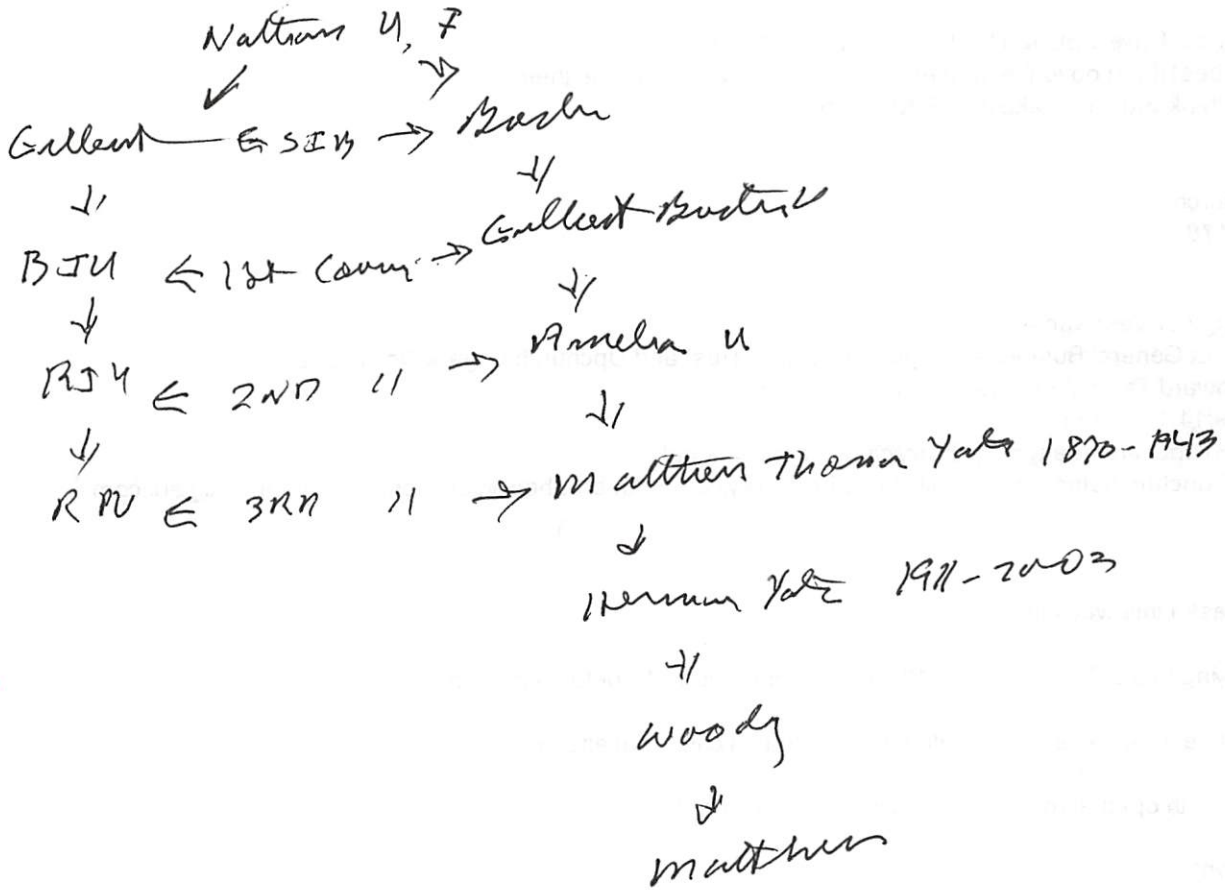
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NC Trip Fall 2014 or Beyond

22 AUG 2014

Visit Woody Herman Yates & his son

Matthew Tyler Yates.



Yates

MATTHEW TYLER YATES

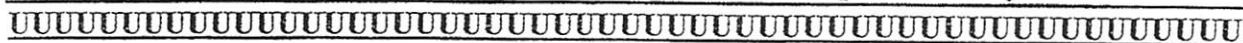
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15 SEP 2012

MATTHEW TYLER YATES

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RALEIGH NC 27603

Dear Cousin Matthew,

Thanks for your email of yesterday with your address and other details. I'll extract and place the details in my files for future reference & discussion - with some comment on them below.

Enclosed in a single extract sheet enclosing what you sent on 27 AUG 2012 and census records and data from the Willie Kopitsky Tree. (Do you know the surname "Kewichkopitsky"?). A copy of this sheet has been placed in the profile of each person with the symbol "L".

I found no conflicts with your ascendancy chart but my look was casual and we may wish it returns it some names - especially if there are question marks.

For L.S. Yates 1845-1920 - I carry him as Lewis S. Yates

For Matthew T. Yates 1870-1943 I have Thomas in some places but then his son is Matthew TITUS Yates, Jr - so is the father "Thomas" or "Titus". I am sure you will get to the bottom of this.

As to Nancy Jane Markham, I will all Markham / Marcom family members in the same file arranged by first names as the two family names seem

to be interchangeable either by scribes and/or family members, I have some interesting Mormon connections involving Piney Bluffs Baptist Church where, as I recall, Nancy was buried.

I already had a fair Master outline on the family of Matthew T. Yates 1870-1943 but as you and I are collaborating I searched my files and was able to add more. Enclosed is the three page result - Continuation Section 71 for the Nathan Upchurch, I / Buster Upchurch Subclan. Matthew T. Yates 1870-1943 is a member of the 9th generation of the Upchurch Family in America as am I. He and I are 3rd cousins. His GF Gilbert Buster U and my GF Bartley Jefferson U (b. 1841 Evesden) were 1st Cousins. Thus you and I are 3rd cousins three times removed.

In my system I have assigned you XFD-60215 so you can see I have over 60,000 individuals loaded into the Upchurch Family.

There is much more to be done to the enclosed pages. Do let me know if you have corrections or additions. Later we can move to the earlier generations of the overall Upchurch Master outline of which you are a part.

I was going to mention Kim Wren to you. She and I have worked closely together. She also has BEACH heritage that may link to your BEACH ancestors. She is great on land and family

in the Green Level Area.

Congratulations on your new home. When is it?

I am well acquainted with Casalegh and will send you my latest issue of INSIGENTS and place you and your father on the distribution list to get future issues - unless you want your name removed.

I have used Mapper but have not yet developed the skill needed to make it work well for me.

I know the Gilbert Butler Cemetery in Preston Woods well. I visited the ^{late} owner of the farm before it became a development. His name was Charles Bernard a mutual cousin of ours. Perhaps you know your ancestor Butler had 9 children - all sons. Several of them settled on what is now Davis Drive. For years I have wished to fill in the story of these 9 sons two of whom moved to Raleigh and cut wide swaths.

Although I have tried to serve the entire Upchurch Family the story of our mutual ancestor Nathan U, I have been compelling for me. Over time we can decide on the order in which we would like to address issues.

Best!

Phil Upchurch

MATTHEW TYLER YATES

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10 DEC 2014

MATTHEW YATES

5924 TERRINGTON LANE

RALEIGH NC 27606

Dom Matthew

Enclosed are the gene profiles I
mentioned to you.

You and I had a huge number of
lines in Wake Co, NC that intermarried
or otherwise had important interactions.
My filing system is full of such
records. I am sure we will have
more of them surfed as we collaborate.

I have made a lot of progress
on Eli Yates but have more to do
Best

Phil Upchurch

WORKING COPY

MATTHEW TYLER

YATES P&I X10-60215 (1)

RECORDS FOR MATTHEW THOMAS YATES 1870-1943 - 27 AUG 2012
(NATHAN U. I) BURTIS U SC-LS (1)

1900 CENSUS - NC
WAKE CO
CEDAR FORK TWP

1910 CENSUS - NC
WAKE CO. NC
WHITE OAK TWP

1920 - CENSUS NC
WAKE CO
WHITE OAK TWP

Name	MD YRS	Age
Mathew F Yates HD	AUG 1870	29
Nancy J Yates WIF (4,4)	JUL 1875	24
James N Yates SON	AUG 1890	9
Eva E Yates DAU	OCT 1895	4
Azzie J Yates DAU	DEC 1896	3
Maggie Yates DAU	APR 1898	1

Matthew T Yates HD	1871	39
Nancy J Yates WIF (7,7)	1872	38
Norinan Yates SON	1872	18
Eva L Yates DAU	1895	15
Azzie Yates DAU	1898	12
Fruby Yates SON	1900	10
Hoyt Yates SON	1902	8
Titus Yates SON	1905	5
Clarence Yates SON	1908	2

Matthew T Yates HD	1870	50
Nancy J Yates WIF	1872	48
Ozzie A Yates DAU S	1898	22
William Yates SON	1901	19
George H Yates SON	1902	18
Matthew T Yates SON	1906	14
Robert C Yates SON	1909	11
Herman Yates SON	1912	8
Jola M Yates DAU	1915	5

I W M YATES - WILL DATE 1804/1808
A. MATTHEW T SON YATES
△ 1773-1837 MD ELIZABETH
WIMBERLY 1766-1806

△ L. LEWIS YATES 1797-1827
△ MD (1) MARY BEACH 1797-1896
(VS - POLLY RIECH/RICH)

FROM EMAIL 27 AUG 2012 MATTHEW YATES TO RPH
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△ L. L. S. YATES "LEWIS" 1845
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△ NANCY JANE MARKHAM [MAR COM]

(A) → (J) →

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△ (G) MATTHEW YATES

* AMELIA IS D/O GILBERT BURTIS U & ED/O BURTIS U & GGD/O NATHAN U, I, HEAD OF CLAN No

Willis Kopitsky Owner: Cenithkopitsky

Matthew Thomas Yates
Birth 12 Aug 1870 in Wake, North Carolina, USA
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1880 Residence: White Oak, Wake, North Carolina
Age: 10

1891 Marriage to Nancy J Markham
Age: 21

1943 Residence: Harrisville, Wake, North Carolina
Age: 73

Parents
Lewis S Yates 1845 - 1925
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Show siblings

Spouse & Children
Nancy J Markham 1871 - 1953

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WHITE OAK TWP

Mathew * Yates HD	1871	59
Nancy J Yates WIF	1872	58
Hoy Yates SON S	1903	27
Herman Yates SON S	1912	18
Zola? Yates DAU S	1915	15

1940 CENSUS - NC
WAKE CO
CEDAR FORK TWP

MT Yates HD	69	1871
Nancy Joe Yates WIF	68	1872
Herman Yates SON S	28	1912
Zola Yates DAU S	25	1915

Willis Kopitsky Owner: Cenithkopitsky

Herman Yates
Birth 4 Dec 1911 in Wake, North Carolina, USA
Death 6 Jan 2003 in Durham, Durham, North Carolina

2003 Death: Durham, Durham, North Carolina
Age: 91

2003 Residence: Cary, Wake, North Carolina
Age: 92

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Matthew Thomas Yates 1870 - 1943
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MATTHEW TYLER

YATES P&J X10-60215 (2)

12/24
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MATTHEW TYLER YATES PGZ RID 60215

② 150 YEARS SALEM BAPTIST 1840-1990 BY: GAIL G. ALLEN ③

‡ KAREN B. BURDEN - Re Salem Baptist Church, Apex, NC

PASTOR 1977-1990[†] G. GRADY LONG
OLDEST MEMBER: MENNIE
PERRY GLOVER MEM 1896-1990[†]
1838 - DONORS OF LAND TO SALEM
MEETING HOUSE: JOEL JONES,
HENRY CASTLEBERRY, JOHN MERRITT
TO TRUSTEES: PATRICK DOWD,
KEN BRED JOHNSON, HENRY
CASTLEBERRY & THOMAS HOWELL
WITNESS: WYATT J. HOLLEMAN
PRESBYTRY OCT 1840; ELDERS =
STEPHEN SENTER (1ST PASTOR) &
PATRICK W. DOWD
FIRST DEACONS: JOHN BAUCOM &
ANDERSON YATES; FIRST CLERK:
HENRY CASTLEBERRY; FIRST
TREAS. W. J. HOLLEMAN

1975- 4 ACRES FROM
ANN CASTLEBERRY)
REAMS & MARSHALL REAMS
1980 - LAND FROM STANLEY
MANN

1841 MINUTES: MODERATOR
= ELIZ(?) SENTER, PATSY
BALLARD JOINER; JOINED
UNION - DELEGATES:
WILLIAM POPE, BURTIS U,
JOHN CROCKER. TO
WRITE LTR H. CASTLEBURY

1846 MATTHEW TYSON YATES
SPONSORED AS MISSIONARY
1990 YATES MEMBERS:

HERMAN Y → WOODY Y →
MATTHEW TYLER YATES
LATE 1920'S BOND OLIVE AS
MISSIONARY
MAP OF CHURCH PROP Pg 31[†]

LAST SLAVE MEMBER = SOLO MON
JONES

1843 - JOINED: CARLES YATES,
JOSEPH EDWARDS,
LISABETH EDWARDS

1841 CONTRIBUTORS:
JOSEPH KING, H. CASTLEBURY,
A. YATES, B. U, JOHN CROCKER
JOHNSON OLIVE, WM POPE,
H. U, THOS YOUNG, LOIT BELLS
HENDERSON CROCKER, GRAY JONES,
JACKSON BIRD, HINTON HUDSON,
WINDELL BETTS, WYATT J. HOLLEMAN,
JOHN BAUGHMAN, JORDAN HOLLEMAN
HILTIARD HUDSON, JACK JONES
GOIN BETTS, MEADY PASSMORE
JOHN U, WILEY POPE, ABEL U,
P.W. DOWD, PRISCILLA WIMBLEY
WM LASLEY, MARGARET U, CANDIS
MERIT, A.S. JONES, GILBERT U

LOCATION: ON A RIDGE: SEE
A.W. SHAFFER MAP (WAKE CO FILE)
& W.G. CLEMENTS MAP (" " ")

1919 - BROTHER U.S. HOWELL HAD
PLAN FOR NEW BLD - APPROVED
MET 5 JAN 1920 TO CUT TIMBER
ON LAND OF A. D. U

1921. Dr R.W. JOHNSON (M.D./FARMER)
BOUGHT OLD BLD & MOVED TO
CARLYLE CASTLEBURY PLACE -
STILL THERE

1925 BRO R.E. ATKINS repaid
MORTGAGE PAID OFF

1905 - LAND DEEDED TO DURHAM
& SOUTHERN RAILWAY

1907 - LAND ACQUIRED FROM
FRANK U & ETOY —

LAND FROM SIMMIE L. MOORE (M)

1925 ARTICLE BY ERNEST P. MAYNARD

1933 WADE U CHORMASTER FOR BOYS

1969 SARA ANNA FIRST PAUL SEC

③ Western Wake Herald WED 9 OCT 1991 Apex, NC

I. Woody Herman Yates
md() Stephanie Sean
A. Matthew Tyler
Yates ↗

The new church year began on Sunday with a large attendance and we thank all our new teachers as well as those who are continuing in their places of leadership. The morning service was blessed with the Baptismal service of Matthew Yates. He is the son of Woody and Stephanie Yates and we rejoice with them.

SALEM BAPTIST
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④ 24 AUG 2012 - see Profile for Woody Herman Yates in which he emails Staley C. Smith about how he has WTF is starting to work on their Yates land Staley referred them to me & Staley sent me some of the email exchanges shown below A-

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> From: Matthew Yates [mailto:matthewyates@aim.com] XXX
> <mailto:matthewyates@aim.com?> XXXXX
> Sent: Friday, August 24, 2012 1:33 PM
> To: wyates@nc.rr.com; smith_smith@bellsouth.net
> Subject: Re: Deed Mapper?
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> Staley,
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> I appreciate your time and any assistance you can provide.
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> Deed Mapper is software available here:
> http://www.directlinesoftware.com/deedmapper_41
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> It seems that somehow you can take old metes and bounds surveys and plug
> them into this to map out how land holdings were back in a certain time
> period. How they go from the metes and bounds descriptions to actual data
> points (especially when referencing other plats or objects like old oak
> trees) is beyond my comprehension.
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> Normally, it seems people enter all the data for a county or area for a
> given window of time and make data sets of those I think for others to
> download and look at. The gentleman who was doing this for Wake County
> passed away suddenly and unexpectedly not long ago and I'm trying to find
> out through some genealogy groups nearby who, if anyone, is going to pick up
> his work.
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> As my dad stated, it would be awesome to have a modern day understanding of
> where our ancestors' family home places were.
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> Thank you in advance!
> Matthew

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> From: Matthew Yates [mailto:matthewyates@aim.com]XX
 > Sent: Friday, August 24, 2012 5:25 PM
 > To: smith_smith@bellsouth.net; wyates@nc.rr.com
 > Subject: Re: Deed Mapper?

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 > I've not met Dr. Upchurch. What would be the best means of reaching him to
 > learn more?

> I have some of the descriptions attached of our oldest Yates ancestor I've
 > been able to reliably trace. I just learned what the Indenture term means
 > now that I noticed they didn't say Deed on them. I believe I saw/heard
 > somewhere that Absalom Harwood had the original grant.

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 > I also attached 2 more that I believe are William Yates deeding part of his
 > original land to his son Mathew.

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 > As my dad stated, I'm really focused right now on getting our genealogy
 > researched and as part of that or possibly a next project I think it would
 > be neat to have maps of where all my ancestors were to see how they divided
 > lands, who their neighbors were, etc. I have a suspicion that attempting to
 > do it will be a pretty serious undertaking. Luckily, for the most part, all
 > my ancestors on both sides were in the Orange/Chatham/Durham/Wake area since
 > the American Revolution and several before that. A majority of them were
 > located in the area where the counties border each other.

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 > regards,
 > Matthew

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> -----Original Message-----
 > From: Smith & Smith <smith_smith@bellsouth.net>XX
 > To: 'Matthew Yates' <matthewyates@aim.com>; wyates <wyates@nc.rr.com>
 > Sent: Fri, Aug 24, 2012 3:24 pm
 > Subject: RE: Deed Mapper?

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 > Mathew/Woody,

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 > I take it you may have met Dr. Phil Upchurch by now. If not, you should. He
 > has a lot to tell. Mr. Jim Jones did pass away while mapping Wake County
 > Land Grant descriptions. I do not know who will pick it up. His family
 > needs to settle the estate first as I understand it. If you will get me the
 > deed descriptions I will try to get you started.

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 > Staley

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--- Smith & Smith <smith_smith@bellsouth.net> wrote:
 > May I introduce Dr. Upchurch to you by copying you on an email
 > correspondence? He lives in Missouri and he travels to Wake County once or
 > twice a year. He has compiled a tremendous amount of genealogy of western
 > Wake and Swift Creek area families. Undoubtedly he has bumped into your
 > lines when putting his together. He was a good friend of Jim Jones, the
 > grant mapper.

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 > Staley

MATTHEW TYLER YATES PG 5 XFD-60215
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Subject: Re: Deed Mapper?
From: Matthew Yates <matthewyates@aim.com>XXXXXXXX
Date: Mon, Aug 27, 2012 8:41 am
To: smith_smith@bellsouth.net, phil@upchurchstory.com
Cc: wyates@nc.rr.com XXXXXX

NOTE - The date in this email shows below was made a part of an effort for which see item in this people of MTY

Good Morning Dr. Upchurch,

As Mr. Staley Smith has stated, I am very interested in any additional information you have.

I have a suspicion we may be kin to some degree as one of our ancestors, Lewis S Yates (1845 - 1920) married Amelia Upchurch (1846 - 1879). According to what I have already researched "Melia Ann" was the daughter of Gilbert Upchurch (1820 - 1895) and Margaret Byrd (1820 - 1896). Gilbert was the son of Burtis Upchurch (1781 - 1840) and Margaret Yates (1788 - 1859). Burtis was the son of Nathan Upchurch (1759 - 1835) and Mackey Johnson (- 1831). Nathan Upchurch was in the Revolutionary War and here was his pension application: <http://revwarapps.org/s7777.pdf> Interestingly enough Margaret Yates seems to be the daughter of William Yates who was married to Mary ?? He is the one people refer to as William of Wake and several people attach him to Mary Tapp, but I'm skeptical of that link.

Our Yates line goes like this:
My father is Woody Herman Yates
His father was Herman Yates
His father was Matthew Thomas Yates who married Nancy Jane Markham
His father was the above mentioned L.S. Yates who married 1st Amelia Upchurch 2nd Martha ??
His father was William Yates (1824 - 1899) who married Middy Jane Ferrell (1821 - 1901)
His father was Lewis Yates (1797 - 1827) and I have him married to Mary Beach (1797 - 1896), but I've also found another marriage entry of a Lewis Yates in this time period and in this area to a Polly Riech/Rich and I haven't had a chance to straighten this out.
His father was Matthew Tyson Yates (1773 - 1837) and Elizabeth Wimberly (1766 - 1806)
His father was the above mentioned William Yeates/Yates of Wake with a will dated 1806/1808.

Some of the older generations I've not verified 100% the date ranges, but I have seen probate and will records enough to know the line to William of Wake seems correct. I've shown Staley some land indentures of William of Wake buying land from Absolom Harwood and some indentures again deeding (what I think is a portion of that land) to his son Mathew.

I have almost all my data in ancestry.com - my login name is imagesinblue. I can export a GEDCOM file, but I haven't figured out how to print the reports like FamilyTreeMaker could produce.

My mother is a Sears so from her I have lines to a lot of old families in the Chatham/Durham/Orange/Wake counties such as Barbee, Mason, Stone, Carpenter, Booth, Jenkins, Herndon, Williams, and others.

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I am working to prove as much of all my lines as possible and in the process locate their lands and learn more about the things they did. I am also in the process of joining the SAR on one of my mother's lines and am interested in joining other hereditary societies as I learn more. I like the societies because it requires the proofs, which I feel makes me put a higher level of work into the research and once finished will give me a proven line.

I look forward to your reply and I really appreciate your time!

Warm regards,
Matthew Yates
Raleigh, NC
919.349.0868

PS: Thank you again Staley, I really can't say how grateful I am for your assistance on this. I am free most weekday evenings after 6pm and most weekends if you have a preferred time to look over deed mapper.

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Subject: Yates Family
From: phil@upchurchstory.com
Date: Mon, Aug 27, 2012 9:05 am
To: "Matthew Yates" <matthewyates@aol.com>
Cc: "Woody Yates" <wyates@nc.rr.com>, "Staley Smith" <staleysmith@mindspring.com>

Hi Matthew---
I am delighted to meet you and Woody via email and thank Cousin Staley for linking us up. I have indeed researched the families of the Wake/Chatham for man Your email provides me with the data I was just about to ask you for. This is what I need to get started. Give me a little time to digest what you have sent and c
Best Wishes.
Phil Upchurch

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Subject: Cooperation
From: phil@upchurchstory.com
Date: Fri, Aug 31, 2012 8:22 am
To: "Matthew Yates" <matthewyates@aol.com>
Cc: "Woody Yates" <wyates@nc.rr.com>, "Staley Smith" <staleysmith@mindspring.com>

Hi Cousin Matthew---

I have now spent quite a few hours incorporating what you sent with my records and bringing forward more details from several sources to update the Yates Master Outlines in which we have a mutual interest. My records are all kept manually so if you can send me your mail address I will send you the four page Master Outline and a letter making a number of observations and musing on how we might cooperate going forward. I have several ideas on collaboration and we can see how much of a mutual interest we can generate in helping each other.

If you can give me a brief description of the tracts of land you are interested in I will give some thought as to whether I can help on that front.

There are so many facets of the western Wake scene on which we could compare notes that it blows your mind. The churches in the area are only one aspect. Staley says he and you had Salem Church as a bond. When it was formed about 1840 of the 32 founders 8 were Upchurches.

I look forward to hearing from you and to collaboration.

All Best Wishes.

Phil Upchurch

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Subject: Re: Cooperation
From: Matthew Yates <matthewyates@aol.com>
Date: Fri, Aug 31, 2012 11:02 am
To: phil@upchurchstory.com
Cc: wyates@nc.rr.com, staleysmith@mindspring.com

Thank you so much for helping me with this! Since our last correspondence I came across a few new items of interest
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1) I found A.B. Markham's original land grant maps guide and then found out how to get the actual maps. I have contacted his son Allan B. Markham Jr. here in Durham and am in the process of mailing him the check for the maps. Several of my old families purchased lands from these original grants or were the original grantees themselves.

2) I saw references on the Durham/Orange County Genealogy Society site that I believe you and Kim Wrenn worked together on a book about families/land "Houses, Lands, and Histories of Some Western Wake County Families". I've been working to connect up with Kim Wrenn because her husband is a Yates descendant and she most likely has a lot of notes to compare. Since she also lives here locally (in Durham) I'll be trying to meet up with her as soon as it is convenient.

Yes, the Church histories in this area fascinate me as well. I saw that Mt. Pisgah was founded as a Yates Church originally. Online, I found where Kim Wrenn had obtained from Ernest Dollar the records from the civil war era at Mt. Pisgah. Here:

<http://archiver.rootsweb.ancestry.com/th/read/LEWTER/2007-11/1193971931>

As you said, there are so many facets to it that it does blow my mind.

My wife and I are building our first home together (we just got married last Sept 17). The closing date is not set in stone yet, but we're thinking it will be sometime in the beginning of October. You can use the following mailing address now:

Matthew Tyler Yates
1535 Caraleigh Mills Rd. Unit 138
Raleigh, NC 27603

I live just outside downtown Raleigh in a renovated historic cotton mill. I have close proximity to the NC Archives and the State Genealogy Library. I work full time so I'm somewhat limited with the hours I can get in there - most Saturdays and a few hours here and there on weekdays depending on the week. I could spend weeks in there and probably not get close to finishing. I love it!

I'm not sure in what ways I can be of assistance to you, but please don't hesitate to make any requests. I'm excited about collaborating. I've definitely been bit hard by the genealogy/history bug.

I suppose my dad and I would like to focus on the Yates family land. Starting with the original grant Absalom Harwood deeded to William of Wake. Then I believe he deeded a portion of that to his son Matthew. I'm not sure the divisions or ownership between that Matthew Tyson and my great grandfather Matthew Thomas Yates. I'm not certain if Matthew Thomas' ~290 acres were part of the original William of Wake tracts. I can send you a direct email with more information on these when I get to this. I'm hoping Mr. Staley can assist me with Deed Mapper and maybe I can figure this out from there.

My dad has several other resources that we will be working to digitize. Things like the family bible and old photographs (some of which he's not able to identify the people). I can try to itemize these items, scan them, and somehow make copies available to you and whoever is interested.

Another item I'm interested in knowing/documenting is where the ancestors are buried. For the Yates, I don't know beyond L.S. Yates. For the Upchurches, the oldest one I know of is Gilbert/Margaret. You may already know this, but Gilbert Upchurch and his wife are buried in a family plot which happens to lie currently in the back yards of 2 neighbors in Prestonwood Country Club. Interestingly enough, my parents live in Preston and my dad didn't know that one of his ancestors was lying less than a mile from his parents. We walked by there one day together and met one of the men whose back yards borders the cemetery. He keeps it locked and he and his neighbor work to keep the graves well kept.

I have a difficult time keeping emails short for topics I'm passionate about. Thank you again for your time and assistance!

Warm Regards,
Matthew
919.349.0868

(9) EXCERPT FROM BIOFILE OF MATTHEW T. YATES 1870-1943 - Entry
1 AUG 2009 PROVIDED BY PATRICIA KIMBERLY BEACH
I. MATTHEW T. YATES 1870-1943 (S/O JAMELIA ANN U OF THE NATHAN
U, I/ BORTIS U SUBCLAN - GILBERT BORTIS U LINE)
MO () NANCY JANE MARCOM - 6 SUBEXTRACTS SHOW THIS FAMILY
#1 = PARENTS ; #2 = 5 OF 9 CHILDREN ; #4, #5, #6, #7 = 1 CHILD EACH

7 Herman YATES b 4 Dec 1911 d 6 Jan 2003
m Bertha Beatrice SPEAGLE b 17 May 1921 d 24 Aug 2002
NOTE: Both buried at Salem Baptist Church, Apex, Wake Co NC. Marriage and dates per their
tombstones. Beatrice was the sister of Lola Speagle Yates, wife of Arthur Odell "Casey" Yates.
Her Obituary:
News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC) - August 27, 2002 Deceased Name: Bertha Beatrice Speagle
Yates

MORRISVILLE - Bertha Beatrice Speagle Yates, age 81, went to be with the Lord on Saturday evening, August 24th, following a period of declining health. Mrs. Yates was a lifelong and faithful member of Salem Baptist Church of Apex, NC, having served over the years in many areas of the church. She enjoyed a long and blessed Christian life. Mrs. Yates, a native of Chatham County, was born on May 17, 1921 and was the daughter of the late Wade Speagle and Mollie Barnes Speagle. Mrs. Yates retired from Westinghouse Electric Corporation in 1983 with over 25 years of service. A service celebrating her life will be held on Tuesday, August 27th at 2pm in the Salem Baptist Church. Rev. Jeff Bowden, Rev. Jeff Olds, and Mr. Bob Post will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Mrs. Yates is survived by her husband, Herman Yates; a daughter, Patricia Lewis Tunstall and husband, Rives of Durham; son, John Lloyd Lewis of Atlanta, Georgia; son, Woody Herman Yates and wife, Stephanie of Cary; four grandsons; and five great-grandchildren. Also surviving are a sister, Pansy Jones of Pittsboro; and numerous nieces and nephews. The family wishes to express their sincere appreciation to the Parkway Retirement Home for the loving care that she received. Memorial gifts may be directed to the Salem Baptist Church Building Fund, 1200 Salem Church Road, Apex, NC, 27502. Arrangements by Apex Funeral Home, Apex. Copyright (c) 2002 The News and Observer

His Obituary:
Herald-Sun, The (Durham, NC) - January 8, 2003
Deceased Name: MORRISVILLE - Herman Yates
MORRISVILLE - Herman Yates, age 91, went to be with the Lord early Monday morning, January 6th, at Duke University Medical Center, following a period of declining health. He was a faithful member of Salem Baptist Church of Apex, NC, having served over the years as a Trustee and in other areas of the church. He enjoyed a long and blessed Christian life. His wife of 48 years, Bertha Beatrice Speagle Yates, preceded him in death on August 24, 2002. He was also preceded in death by three sisters and five brothers. A native of Wake County, Mr. Yates, born on December 4, 1911, was the son of the late Matthew Thomas Yates and Nancy Jane Markham Yates. Mr. Yates graduated from Green Hope High School in 1933 and served as a Sergeant in the U.S. Air Force, 301st AAF Base Unit and as Sergeant in Company L, 313th Infantry of the U.S. Army while completing his tour in Central Europe. Following his honorable discharge in March of 1946, he returned to Wake County to manage his family's tobacco farm. In 1959 he began a career in law enforcement at Duke University, retiring in 1980 as a corporal and public safety field-training officer. A service celebrating his life will be held on Wednesday, January 8th at 2:00 PM in Salem Baptist Church. Dr. Jeff Beckett, Rev. Jeff Olds, and Mr. Bob Post will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery. He will be forever loved by his son, Woody Herman Yates, wife, Stephanie Sears Yates and his grandson Matthew Tyler Yates of Cary, NC. Mr. Yates is also survived by a step-son, John Lloyd Lewis of Atlanta, Georgia, and a step-daughter, Patricia Lewis Tunstall of Durham, NC, and her husband, Rives, their three sons, Macon, Craig, and Tavie, their wives, and five step-great grandchildren, Katie, Hunter, Justin, Harley, and Collin. The family will receive friends from 7:00 to 9:00 PM on Tuesday, January 7th, at Apex Funeral Home, 511 W. Williams Street, (HWY 55) in Apex, and at other times at 106 Glen Abbey Drive, Cary, NC. The family wishes to express their sincere appreciation to the Parkway Retirement Home for the loving care that he received. Memorial gifts may be directed to the Salem Baptist Church Building Fund, 1200 Salem Church Road, Apex, NC, 27502. Copyright, 2003, The Durham Herald Company

- 8 Patricia LEWIS
- m Rives TUNSTALL of Durham;
- 8 John Lloyd LEWIS of Atlanta, Georgia
- 8 Woody Herman YATES m Stephanie SEARS of Cary;
- 9 Matthew Tyler YATES

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Subject: [FWD: Swift Creek Community INSIGHTS - Issue 2]
From: phil@upchurchstory.com
Date: Sun, Sep 02, 2012 7:58 am
To: "Matthew Yates" <matthewtyates@aim.com> → JSB
Cc: "Woody Yates" <wyates@nc.rr.com> → JSB
Attach: Growing-up in Rhamkatte - Part I.doc

Hi Matthew---

I put a letter in the mail to you yesterday which I trust you will share with Woody. In the meantime I am forwarding to you both the latest issue of my Swift Creek Township Newsletter. The fact that you live in Caraleigh caused me to do this. I have put you both on the distribution list to get future issues. Let me know if either of you do not have interests that go to the likely content of this newsletter.

I had a really cordial email from Woody which I appreciate and which causes me to think we have a lot of mutual interest. Let's just move stepwise in increments as we all have many elements in our lives that demand our time and energy. As we go along I'll make suggestions that may help us focus and trust you and Woody will do the same.

Phil Upchurch

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Subject: Re: Swift Creek Community INSIGHTS - Issue 2
From: Matthew Yates <matthewtyates@aim.com>
Date: Mon, Sep 10, 2012 2:46 pm
To: phil@upchurchstory.com
Cc: wyates@nc.rr.com

Thank you Dr. Upchurch! We received your letter and it helped confirm the information we had gathered.

The house that my wife and I are building is actually in the Swift Creek area near the intersection of Jones Franklin and Tryon Rd just a stones throw from Yates Mill Rd. I was able to get in touch with Kim Wrenn and she informed me that she was helping you with some research on the Swift Creek area.

I hope you've had a wonderful weekend!

Warm regards,
Matthew

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Subject: New Form Entry: Contact Form
From: "matthewtyates@aim.com" <no-reply@weebly.com>
Date: Fri, August 22, 2014 7:44 pm
To: phil@upchurchstory.com

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

Submitted Information:

Name

Matthew Yates

Email

matthewtyates@aim.com

MATTHEW TYLER YATES PEID 27-60215

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Subject: RE: New Form Entry: Contact Form
From: phil@upchurchstory.com
Date: Mon, Aug 25, 2014 6:52 am
To: ~~matthewyates@aim.com~~
Cc: "Woody Yates" <wyates@nc.rr.com>

Hi Matthew----

Delighted you found my website. I hope you had no trouble reaching and searching the three password protected sites where I have tons of information posted. In case the password did not come to you it is 2013upchurch# . Also I hope you watched some of the videos. The one on Nathan is important as he is your direct ancestor. Also watch those for his ancestors back to Michael U., I all your direct ancestors. The one on Moses U. is also relevant as it deals with the Wake/Chatham border where families of importance to you lived.

I have reviewed our 2012 exchanges and note that we have a lot of interests in common. We have been very busy on family history since 2012 as the videos will reveal. Also, in November 2013 we created a new 501 (c) 3 tax-exempt organization Upchurch And Allied Families Association www.alliedfamilies.com. This is to take advantage of what we have learned over the years. One of our main efforts will be to enroll families whose ancestor lived about the time of the Revolution and to gather at one place on the Internet details about them and their descendants. We have a first draft on the Moses U. family which we shared with 33 members of the family last week. We are working on a draft for the Nathan U.. I family to which you and I belong..

Doris Jean (Yates) Upchurch has provided some support to get started on the Yates family. I must get busy an pick her Yates ancestor who lived about the time of the Revolution who will be the head of this enrolled family. With luck he will be your ancestor as well.

The Allied Families organization has a great potential to gather, preserve and share information. I hope you and Woody will both become 2014 members at a cost of \$20 each. The encouragement would be very much appreciated. All of my work will now be done under the banner of this organization. You will note one of our goals is to have a Repository/Library/Museum in Wake County.

I trust that by now you are well settled in your new home. It would be a pleasure to continue interacting with you and Woody on family history matters.

Phil Upchurch

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woody says he is sending money for DAFSA

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Subject: Re: New Form Entry: Contact Form
From: ~~Matthew Yates <matthewyates@aim.com>~~
Date: Wed, Aug 27, 2014 3:40 pm
To: phil@upchurchstory.com
Cc: wyates@nc.rr.com

Dr. Upchurch,

I was able to access the website and download the back issues of the Upchurch Bulletin. A while back I had found and consumed the youtube videos associated with this and was very pleased and impressed with the information as well as the quality of the presentation of it. I look forward to hearing/reading more about Nathan Upchurch.

My dad and I will become members. I have some other good news that our tree has grown by 1. Tyson Franklin Yates was born on May 3, 2014 to my wife, Lauren Estee Love Yates (of Ft. Lauderdale, FL), and I. His name comes from Matthew Tyson Yates' (the missionary) middle name. Franklin was Lauren's father's middle name (He passed away in 2012).

We know Mrs. Doris Jean (Yates) Upchurch (my father more than I do, but I'm hoping to change that soon) and I'm very confident that we fall in the same Tree under that revolutionary Yates ancestor. At present I don't know the relation, but if I speak more with my dad I can figure it out quickly. The revolutionary war ancestor was William Yeates (Yates) also know to family genealogists as William of Wake. He had a will on page 314 of Wake County Will Book 7 in Feb 1808. There are some who speculate about his origins, but the physical data I have begins with him being in the war and then after the war we see him buying land from original grant holders at the edge of Wake and Chatham counties. I can provide some of those pieces or try to help you some if you have questions. I need to do more work in other, more obscure sources like court records, tax records, and others where available to flesh his story out more, but being a new dad has kept me from visiting the archives as often.

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MATTHEW TYLER YATES PEI RD 60215

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I have a question for you. I haven't found in the archived UB yet, but do you know if anyone has been able to find out Gilbert Burtis Upchurch's wife Margaret Byrd's (~1820 - 1896) grandparents? I know Jesse Byrd (~1778 - 1863) and Edith Jackson (~1778 - 1860) were her parents, but I've not been able to get anywhere beyond them. As a side note, my parents live walking distance to Gilbert's and Margaret's graves.

Best regards,
Matthew

Subject: RE: New Form Entry: Contact Form
From: phil@upchurchstory.com
Date: Tue, Sep 23, 2014 6:33 am
To: "Matthew Yates" <matthewtyates@aol.com>
Cc: "Woody Yates" <wyates@nc.rr.com>

Hi Matthew---

I am tardy in getting back to you. The reason is that I put everything on hold until I could get the upgrade in place on our Allied Families website. That has now been done and I am back to catching up. Have a look at our upgrade of www.alliedfamilies.com. You will note that we now have several families that have been started on the enrollment process. We can now refer people to the website to see what an enrollment of a family looks like. This should allow us to build momentum. Of course we have more components to add to the website. Right now we are working to add a sampling of Biofiles to the site. I have several thousand of these and am anxious for our members to see what they are like.

Thanks for the input on your family tree.

Thanks also for your \$40 contribution to UAFA via PayPal for two memberships. I must report that your father had already sent in his \$20 for a membership so he is double paid for. We can use your extra \$20 as you see fit. One possibility would be to put it towards enrolling the Yates family. You can let me know.

I have recently spent some time gathering information on the heritage of Doris Jean (Yates) Upchurch. I have a bit more to do before sharing my extracts and suspect I will call Doris Jean to make sure I am on the right track. Of course you are more into research than Doris Jean so at some point I will want you to vet what I find. My desire is to find that you and she have a common Yates ancestor who can be the patriarch of the Yates family we will eventually enroll. We are making baby steps.

I have nothing more to share on the heritage of Margaret Byrd beyond what you already know. Hopefully we can learn more. I am well acquainted with the Gilbert and Margaret cemetery you mention. Charles Bernest U took me to see it years ago when it was a place on his undeveloped land. When we get a physical site in Wake County for Allied Families I hope there can be a key to the cemetery there that people can check out. The cemetery is a very important part of our heritage in local area.

I am looking forward to a visit with you and Woody when I come to NC. The date for our next trip has not been set --maybe next Spring.

Best~

Phil Upchurch

Subject: Sears
From: phil@upchurchstory.com
Date: Tue, Sep 23, 2014 6:43 am
To: "Matthew Yates" <matthewtyates@aol.com>

Hi Matthew---

I have been having a look at the Sears family of western Wake. Can you tell me how your mother Stephanie (Sears) Yates fits into the Sears family. If the information is in any way inappropriate to share I will understand.

Phil Upchurch

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Subject: Re: Sears

From: Matthew Yates <matthewyates@aim.com>

Date: Tue, Sep 23, 2014 8:16 pm

To: phil@upchurchstory.com

Attach: sears.png

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Certainly.

I'm going to try to concisely share quite a bit of information, so bear with me.

What you'll find in the attached image is a screenshot of my ancestry tree focused on my mother's side. First, you'll likely spot the Yates name. Well, beyond that there are several other overlaps I've found. Usually the marriages were further out than 1st cousins, but it did happen a few times in my tree. You'll see L.S. Yates, who married Amelia Ann Upchurch (I'm never sure how to spell that - melia), had this William McIver Yates (who went by Billy) who in turn produced the line to my mom and L.S. Yates and Miss Upchurch had Matthew Thomas Yates, my great grandfather on my paternal line. I'm terrible at calculating cousins, but my great-grandma Cassie Yates would've been a first cousin of my grandpa Herman Yates. The generations are off by 1, but the relation originally was close.

Now, you were asking about the Sears family of western wake, which is interesting. My mother's paternal line is of Sears of Chatham, but my mother's maternal line has a link to some Sears from western Wake.

I'll start with the line that was her namesake from Chatham. Feel free to skim over this if it is not relevant. As you can see in the graphic is that her paternal line was Sears of Chatham, and before that Virginia. The screenshot only goes back to the civil war generation, but I can share the furthest back info I have if you're interested. I don't add people to my tree that I can't prove solidly. She has several big names of Chatham county - Barbee, Mason, Stone, Williams, Yates, Jenkins, Boothe, and that Murrell line which links to Dempsey Powell of Wake. Also, of most importance to you: Upchurch! :)

My grandma Doris' grandma was Alice E. Sears, who married William Henry Carpenter (who founded the Carpenter Farm Supply in Carpenter/Morrisville/Cary). Alice E. Sears was the daughter of Bartley G Sears and his 3rd wife Nancy Ann Marcom. Bartley G's probate is a real help in sorting out the multiple children he had by each of his 3 wives. He is the source of some of the Sears that you'll find in Western Wake I believe like Berry Fred Sears and others. I'm actually working to confirm that as fact because as a side note: my grandma Doris now lives at SearStone (<http://www.searstone.com/>) and I wanted to see if she was related by marriage to the namesake of the place. I asked those living Sears descendants to verify my theory that they too were actually born of Bartley G Sears.

Now, the mystery. I had found a mention of a Mr. Edwards online searching for info on Bartley G. Sears ~1999 and I never saw anyone reply, but he seemed to believe that Bartley G. tied into the Sears family of Chatham. I have started working on that, but it is a real tough one to try to solve. The difficulty comes in trying to go back a couple generations and trace down, and the easy "low-hanging fruit" like wills, probate, etc are not there for those other branches. Perhaps if I were just a shade better at genealogy I'd think of some tax records or other obscure data to formulate a decent direction to discover where Bartley G. Sears came from.

Hopefully at least some of this will provide useful to what you were actually looking for.

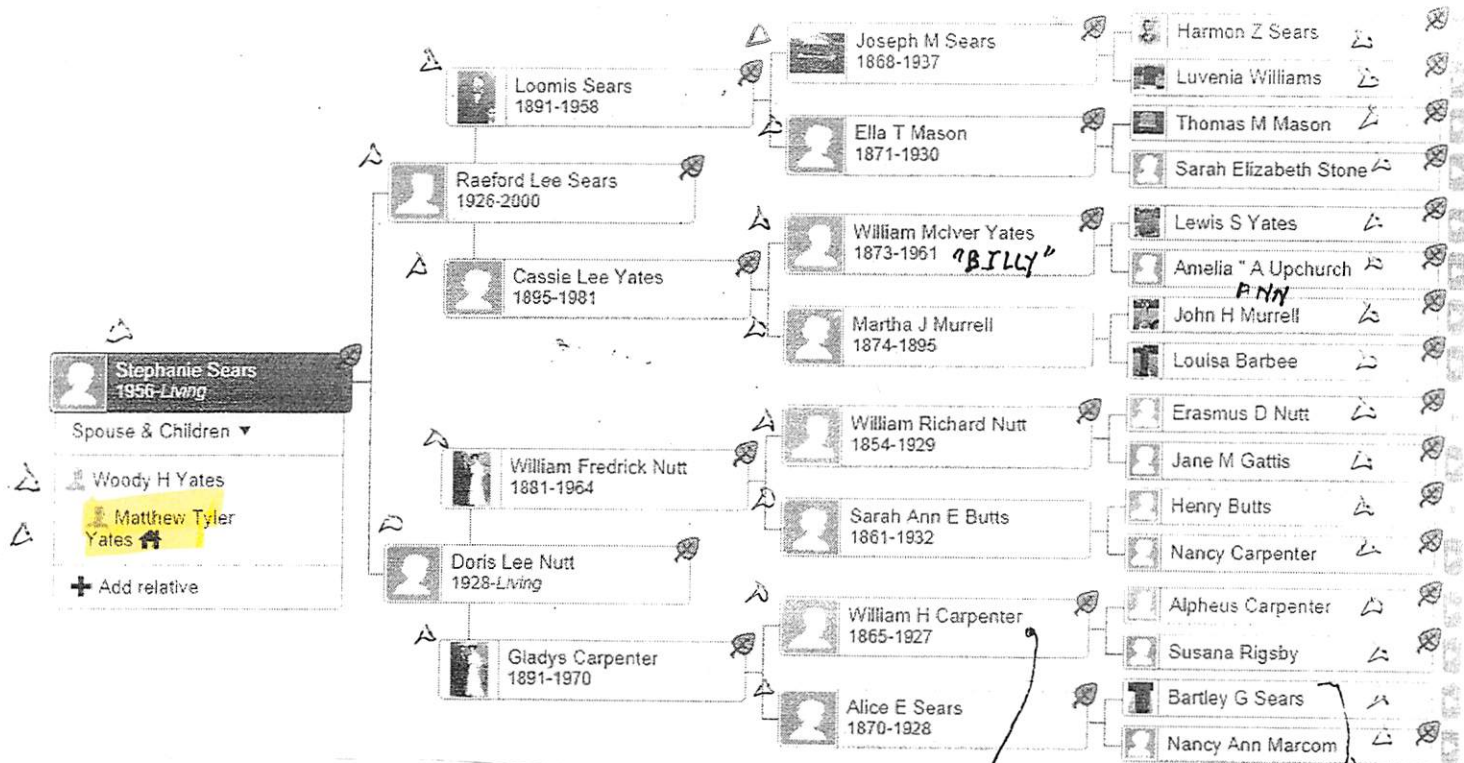
Best regards,
Matthew

PS: we know who has the key for that Gilbert B. Upchurch cemetery. The neighbor next to it had it and we saw him mowing grass a summer ago and got him to let us in. I owe him a letter explaining our connection and to build a rapport or something to get a copy of the key.

The Sears statement appears on the next page and has been moved

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(17) Input from email 23 SEP 2014 Matthew Tyler Yates
 of RPU. He is of the Nathan U, I / Baxter U Subclass
 This ancestry chart for his mother see STEPHANIE
 SEARS reveals many ancestors who lived in
 NC on the Wake/Chatham Border. RPU 30 NOV 2014



ADDITIONAL LINKAGES:

- I. LEWIS S. YATES MD (?) AMELIA ANN U
- II. MATTHEW THOMAS YATES
- III. HERMAN YATES
- IV. WOODY YATES
- V. MATTHEW TYLER YATES

3RD ME FOR BGS

FOUNDER OF THE CARPENTER FARM SUPPLY IN CARPENTER/CARY MORRISVILLE

MATTHEW TYLER YATES PE14

XIR 60215 (15)

(18) 25 SEP 2014 - The paper which follows 15-18 years
of the Rostrum annual paper from which
Matthew got 1 → 10 - Needs more study - RPA 16 AUG 2015

Subject: Yates connection

From: Matthew Yates <matthewyates@aol.com>XXXXXXXX

Date: Thu, Sep 25, 2014 7:36 pm

To: phil@upchurchstory.com

Dr. Upchurch,

I know you are super busy with a number of things. I wanted to pass along that I spent some time last night investigating and I figured out that Mrs. Doris Jean Yates Upchurch is my 5th cousin and that we do, in fact, descend from the same revolutionary war ancestor - William Yates - as I had suspected, but in a more distant way than I'd thought.

I started to just graph out Mrs. Doris Jean and my charts, but also added for your viewing pleasure a couple other notable Yates. I haven't elaborated much on each person, but this gives you idea:

1. William Yates m. Mary ?
 2. William Yates, Jr.
3. Ely Yates
4. Phares Yates (purchased what is now called Yates Mill)
2. Matthew Yates m. Elizabeth Wimberly
3. William Yates m. Delilah Boothe
4. Basil Yates
5. Matthew Yates
6. William C.M. Yates
7. Gleason Andrew Yates
8. **Doris Jean Yates**
4. Matthew Tyson Yates (The famous-to-us missionary to China)
3. Lewis Yates m. Mary "Polly" Reach/Rich
4. William Loid Yates m. Middy Jane Ferrell (whose mother was Miley Yates - daughter of 2. Matthew above)
5. Lewis S. Yates m. Amelia Ann Upchurch
6. Matthew Thomas Yates m. Nancy Jane Markham ☐☐
7. Herman Yates m. Bertha Beatrice Speagle
8. Woody Herman Yates m. Stephanie Sears ☐☐
9. **Matthew Tyler Yates** (me) m. Lauren Estee Love (of Ft. Lauderdale, FL)
10. Tyson Franklin Yates (5-3-2014)

Here was how I figured her side out. While I haven't pulled all the documents, it seems like a straightforward and solid line:

<http://archiver.rootsweb.ancestry.com/th/read/YATES/2003-01/1042516852>

Honestly, if I could ever get my act together and put together a book of the Yates family I think we'd probably connect and cover most the families in the Wake/Chatham area almost from the branches and marriages.

It is certainly on my bucket list, but I just need to get things organized better, figure out the format, and try to set some deadlines to have certain things ready. I imagine if it had pictures, maps, documents, and stories where I could find them to go along with my strict genealogical information it might be well received.

Best regards,
Matthew
919.349.0868

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YATES

YATES-L Archives

[Archiver](#) > [YATES](#) > [2003-01](#) > 1042516852

From: "Eileen B. McAdams" <eileen99@alltel.net>

Subject: [YATES-L] Basil Yates Family, Wake County, NC

Date: Mon, 13 Jan 2003 23:00:52 -0500

References: <LBEMKHMCKHEKPAHOCGDIIEENOCAAA.polly@intrex.net>

Byran,

As you can see, I've had some time to kill and thought I would the research for Doris Jean. (I love family research!) There are 8 generations below starting with William and Mary Yates. I found the other generation - Matthew Yates, no. 5 in the 1870 census . He seems to have died young. Tell cousin Doris Jean hello from Georgia.

Eileen

Van Hudson has done extensive search on this family.This is from his website:

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hudsonyatess/d0000/g0000075.html#I2654>

1. William YATES

ABT. 1755 - 1808

BIRTH: ABT. 1755

DEATH: 1808, Wake co., NC

EVENT: Land sale: land deed in Wake / Chatham co 1784 -abt 1000ac

EVENT: Land sale: wake county will book proves children

Family 1 : MARY

2. +Matthew YATES

+Jethro YATES

Elizabeth YATES

+William YATES , Jr.

+Aley YATES

Creecy YATES

Milly YATES

Mary YATES

+John YATES

Henrietta YATES (this is my 4th great-grandmother!)

Margaret YATES

2. Matthew YATES

ABT. 1773 - 1837

BIRTH: ABT. 1773

DEATH: 1837, Wake, NC

EVENT: Land sale: Founder of Yates apple

Father: William YATES

Mother: MARY

Family 1 : Elizabeth BAUCOM
 Eliza YATES
 Ada YATES
 Mildred YATES
 Family 2 : Elizabeth WIMBERLY
 MARRIAGE: 7 Nov 1793 [9366]
 Kitty YATES
 Hardy YATES
 Patsy YATES
 3. +William H YATES
 +Lewis YATES

3. William H YATES
 31 Mar 1795 - 10 Jul 1866
 BIRTH: 31 Mar 1795, Wake County NC [2085]
 DEATH: 10 Jul 1866, Wake County NC [2086]
 Father: Matthew YATES
 Mother: Elizabeth WIMBERLY

Family 1 : Delilah BOOTHE
 MARRIAGE: ABT. 1817 [9694]
 4. Basil B. YATES
 +Matthew Tyson YATES
 George C. YATES
 Mary Jane YATES
 Joseph B. YATES
 Lucian B. YATES
 Sarah Ann YATES
 Elizabeth Lane YATES
 Amelia Caroline YATES

CENSUS RECORDS:

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4. Basil is in the 1840 in Buckhorn District, Wake Co, NC, spelled "Basel"

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1850 Wake County, The Western Division

No. 442

4. Yates, Bassel, 32, farmer

____, "Gatsy?" 34,

____, William, 11

____, Sarah, 9

____, Madison, 6

____, Mathew, 3

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1860 in Southern Division, Morrisville, Wake County, spelled "Bazil". Wife is "Gaskia"

4. Bazil Yates, 42 farmer, real estate \$400, personal property \$6,400

Gaskia " , 44

William " , 21

Mildred " , 18

George " , 16

5. Matthew " , 14

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1870 Wake County, White Oak township, New Hill post office

No. 63

4. Yates, B.M. head, 52, farmer, real estate, \$600, personal property \$500

____ Haiskey, wife, 53

____ Cathrine, dau. 30, domestic servant

No. 64

5. Yates, Matthew, head, 23,

____, Lauran? , 21

____, William, 8

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1880

Household:

Name Relation Marital Status Gender Race Age Birthplace Occupation Father's Birthplace
Mother's Birthplace

4. B.M. YATES Self W Male W 62 NC Farmer NC NC
Nancy C. YATES DauL W Female W 40 NC Keeping House NC NC (widow of Matthew)
6. Willie C.N. YATES GSon S Male W 18 NC Farm Laborer NC NC
A.T. ROGERS Other S Male W 30 NC Clerk In Store NC NC

Source Information:

Census Place White Oak, Wake, North Carolina
Family History Library Film 1254985
NA Film Number T9-0985
Page Number 494B

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1890 Census does not exist for Wake County
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1900 White Oak, Wake, NC

6. Yates, Willie C. head, b.Nov 1861, 38, married 6 years, farmer, owns farm
_____, Della, wife, b.Nov. 1873, 27, married 6 years, 4 children, 4 living
_____, Kyle M., son, b.Feb. 1895, 5
7. _____, Andrew G., son, b.Dec. 1896, 3
_____, Katie V., dau. b.Sept. 1898, 1
_____, Wray, son, b.May 1900
Yates, Nancy C. V., Mother, b. May 1840, 60, widow, 1 child, 1 living

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1910 White Oak, Wake NC

6. Yates, William C. M., head, 48, married 1 time, married 16 years, farmer, home farm, owns farm
_____, Della, wife, wife, 37, married 1 time, married 16 years, 8 children, 8 living, farm laborer
_____, Kyle M., son, 15, farm laborer
7. _____, Andrew G., son, 13, farm laborer
_____, Katie, dau, 14
_____, Wray, son, 9
_____, Belo?, son, 7
_____, Hunter, son 4
_____, Bazil, son, 2
_____, Infant, son, 1/12

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1920 White Oak, Wake, NC

6. Yates, William C. M., head, owns land, 58, farmer
_____, Della, wife, 46
7. _____, Gleason, son, 23
_____, Katie, dau, 21
_____, Ray, son, 19
_____, Below?, son, 17
_____, Hunter, son, 14
_____, Bazil, son, 12
_____, Harvey, son, 9
_____, Oline, son, 7
_____, Ruth, dau 4 yrs 6/12
_____, Robert, son, 5/12

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1930 White Oak, Wake, NC

6. Yates, Willie, head, owns farm, 68, age 1st marriage 32, farmer
_____, Della, wife, 56, age 1st marriage 21
_____, Ray, son, 27, single, laborer on farm
_____, Hunter, son, 24, single
_____, Bazil, son, 22, single
_____, Harvey, son, 19, single
_____, Oline, son, 17
_____, Ruth, dau, 14
_____, Robert, son, 10

7. Yates, Gleason, head, renting, 32, age 1st married 28, farmer
 _____, Mabel, wife, 24, age 1st married 20
 8. _____, Doris, dau, 4/12

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

From: "polly" <polly@intrex.net>
 To: <eileen99@alltel.net>
 Sent: Tuesday, January 07, 2003 6:24 PM
 Subject: Wake Co. USGenWeb surnames - Yates

- > Eileen,
- > Doris Jean Yates Upchurch, daughter of Gleason Andrew Yates in the lineage
- > of William of Wake ask if I could help her with the family history. Knowing
- > there is a great amount of research already done and on the net, i have put
- > together what I think is correct. Would you take a look at this and see if
- > you agree, add or delete.
- > 1. William Yates..Mary Tapp
- > 2. Matthew Yates..Elizabeth Wimberly
- > 3. William Yates..Delilah Boothe
- > 4. Basil Manly Yates..??????????
- > 5. William Charles Manly Yates..Mary
- > Della ???
- > 6. Gleason Andrew Yates..
- > 7. Doris Jean Yates Upchurch
- > Seems as though there should be another generation in there somewhere but
- > don't know. Also if this is correct do you have any info on Basil Manly
- > Yates such as date of death,wife, and any children other than William
- > Charles Manly.
- > Only reason I went this way was because Doris Jean remembers hearing these
- > names when she was small. Her mother died when she was a teenager and her
- > dad did not discuss the family much.
- > Any help would be greatly appreciated as I am not trained to do this and
- > only got involved because I have a computer and trying to help a neighbor.
- > Bryan Edwards
- > Polly@intrex.net
- >
- >

This thread:

- **[YATES-L] Basil Yates Family, Wake County, NC by "Eileen B. McAdams" <eileen99@alltel.net>**
 - **Re: [YATES-L] Basil Yates Family, Wake County, NC by "Ellen Byrne" <dande@syringa.net>**
 - **Re: [YATES-L] Basil Yates Family, Wake County, NC by "Champaign County Arts Council" <ccac@springnet.cc>**
 - **Re: [YATES-L] Basil Yates Family, Wake County, NC by "Lyle E. Yates" <lyley@nwi.net>**
 - **Re: [YATES-L] Basil Yates Family, Wake County, NC by "Ellen Byrne" <dande@syringa.net>**

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MATTHEW TYLER YATES PG19

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Subject: Upchurch Bulletin 2014 Vol. 35
From: phil@upchurchstory.com
Date: Mon, Nov 24, 2014 5:27 am
To: "Matthew Yates" <matthewyates@aim.com>XXX
Attach: Upchurch Bulletin Volume 35 2014.docx

Hi Matthew---

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 producing each issue is a labor of love for family history.

Some people have had trouble getting the passwords for our two websites so I will now give them to you. For www.upchurchstory.com it is 2013upchurch#. There you will find all of the UB issues posted and the 35 videos of which we are very proud. For 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, or questions.

Happy Thanksgiving.

Phil Upchurch

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Subject: Catch Up
From: phil@upchurchstory.com
Date: Sun, Nov 30, 2014 11:36 am
To: "Matthew Yates" <matthewyates@aim.com>XXX
Cc: "Woody Yates" <wyates@nc.rr.com>

Hi Matthew----

I write to thank you for your very valuable inputs provided with your emails of September 23 and 25. They have now come up on my to do processing list and I will be working on them some today and in the days ahead. In the last month or so I have been consumed by upgrading our Allied Families website and in producing the 2014 issue of the Upchurch Bulletin of which you and Woody now have a digital copy. Note the progress we are making on enrolling families on our Allied Families website www.alliedfamilies.com. I am anxious to add the Yates family as soon as we can get to it. The first step will be to draft a narrative for review by those most interested.

For a variety of reasons I have been upgrading my records on the family of Eli Yates. Several questions have surfaced and will go back to you on some of these if they persist as issues. At this point I will share one. Eli Yates had a daughter Samantha Yates. I have a pretty good record on her two marriages and her descendants which took some interesting turns. However, there is a puzzle. Find A Grave shows her with an Upchurch name. This is a puzzle to me as she was not nee Upchurch and she never married an Upchurch and she was never in a home where she could have been considered as a step-daughter of an Upchurch male. So am I missing something? The only connection I can see is that her daughter Susan Adelaide Scott married late in life John Thomas Horton but produced no issue. John was a stepson of William Burtis Upchurch, I and it is conceivable that John could at some point have gone by the Upchurch name of his stepfather or could have been called by that name by someone but I have no evidence of either. My guess is that someone who had a glimpse of the connection of John to an Upchurch looked at John as the son in law of Samantha and incorrectly deduced that somehow Samantha belonged to have the Upchurch name appended.

This issue is not worth a lot of time but in mentioning it you I am trying to say "I give up on the matter".

Best~

Phil Upchurch

MATTHEW TYLER YATES PG20 XFD 60215

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Subject: Report
From: phil@upchurchstory.com
Date: Wed, Dec 10, 2014 5:44 am
To: "Matthew Yates" <matthewtyates@aaim.com>XX
Cc: "Woody Yates" <wyates@nc.rr.com>

Hi Matthew----

I continue to work on items of mutual interest and still have more to do on organizing my Yates records and will get back to you on that. In the meantime I can report that I have now fully processed the Sears information you sent me via email on September 23. In filing the extract sheets created I came across Biofiles of five individuals that I thought might interest you. I am mailing them to you today. They are:

1. William H. Carpenter.
2. Bartley G. Sears.
3. Harmon Z. Sears.
4. Dora A. Nutt.
5. William Frederick Nutt.

I thought you might be interested to know what I already had in my system on these individuals. If followup is needed just let me know. Page 4 in the Wm Nutt Biofile illustrates how my extract sheet works. I put a copy in the Biofile for each person with a triangle.

I'll be back to you in due course.

Phil Upchurch

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Subject: Evaluation of Options for Family Trees

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Fri, Jan 23, 2015 6:44 am

To: "Matthew Yates" <matthewtyates@aaim.com>XX

NAT 4/13/14 5:00:00 PM

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Cc: "Woody Yates" <wyates@nc.rr.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 Matthew----

Since we were last in touch I have moved along quite a bit on our family research effort. Creation of Allied Families has been big step forward. This has now led us to the need to upgrade our computer operations. Knowing of your expertise in this area I thought it appropriate to ask you to have a look at the two attachments. I would welcome any thoughts you have on the issues reviewed,

Aside from the above I know we have much more to exchange on the Yates Family. I have continued my processing of Yates records and hope before too long to send you a recap of where stand. It is hard to know when to stop compiling because the Yates family has played such a large part in Wake County and has many interfaces with families that I have long researched. I would welcome any thoughts you have on such matters as well.

With all Best Wishes,
Phil Upchurch

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Subject: Renewal Allied Families

From: phil@upchurchstory.com

Date: Mon, Feb 09, 2015 3:43 pm

To: "Matthew--14 Yates" <matthewtyates@aaim.com>XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Attach: Membership Form 9 JAN 2015.docx

Hi Matthew--

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 (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.

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MATTHEW TYLER YATES PG21 AFD-60215

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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

We seem to be kindred spirits when it comes to our pride in family. Allied Families is a bold move and the prospects continue to look bright. I hope the magic of Allied Families will allow us to find many more descendants for the Moses family to which you belong and that 2015 will be the year of great accomplishment. Right now this is our showcase family. It is great that you and your father are working together.

I hope to be in NC in April or May and will hope to meet you then.

Best---Always.

Phil Upchurch, Manager Allied Families

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12 FEB 2015

Subject: Re: Evaluation of Options for Family Trees

From: Matthew Yates <matthewyates@aim.com>XXXXXX

Date: Thu, Feb 12, 2015 8:39 am

To: phil@upchurchstory.com

Dr. Upchurch,

I appreciate you asking me and apologize for my delay in response. I think before you can answer the questions regarding the computer systems a clear strategy overall needs to be established. For example, if you're going to end up uploading most documents to ancestry.com, then you won't need to worry as much about the storage (ie: cloud/webhosting options). For the interim I think the GoDaddy/Methodology 1 makes good sense.

The overall issue I see as challenging is the model. If you put things on ancestry, then I worry that folks would just copy it off and then never contribute to or support anything. Alternatively, if a tool/resources is created that is separate from ancestry, then more fragmentation happens and for individuals who want it all in one place, they'll have to work to re-enter everything into ancestry (or their tool of choice). Not to mention, why "re-invent the wheel"? Focus more on the research and entry of the data, not on building the system to house/search/display/etc that data because those meta tasks are tremendous in their own respects. I'm always a fan of books, but I understand that we're in a digital age and it really is great to be able to revise things as new data is found in a more real-time way.

The model that I've seen work that crosses over the club joining and ancestry data realms are the hereditary societies. For example, SAR/DAR, Society of Colonial Wars, Society of the Cincinnati, and others (many others...). That being said, there isn't as broad a market for a 1 family (or small grouping of families) type society, not to mention that I don't think socials and speakers/events are exactly what your goal is here. Those organizations progress to the point that they're able to sponsor/generate materials related to their core mission. I've also seen other organizations spring up around landmarks or other historical things and generate materials that delve into the genealogical past of the area. I also had the idea of maintaining/creating trees for purchase with proof sources for individuals interesting in hereditary organizations. Perhaps promoting them in a list form of what groups we qualify for and by which ancestor. Unfortunately, that approach doesn't keep recurring support that would be needed to maintain the other work you'd like to achieve.

Perhaps, a blended model of sorts? Maybe it would be good to watermark materials uploaded to ancestry with the url/logo of the entity in the expectation that interested persons would venture to the site and then make the site focused on value-added materials as a "members only" benefit. The unfortunate thing is that all too many people join ancestry and add on wrong data so focus could be placed on advertising or posturing the site and value-add materials as getting the real story. It is a high value thing to get a professional level of research without paying a professional genealogist.

For me, personally, the data I'm most willing to pay for is the slightly more obscure pieces. For example, it has been easy for me to find wills, census Records, and some other core documents, but what is often much harder is to review the tax records and make the harder connections (like using known data and census data paired to make a case that one man relates to a family in the area when no single document spells the relationship out as such). Also, newspaper entries (newspapers.com) that help flesh out the character of the historical persons, although they too are limited somewhat in scope/availability. Church records are another of those tougher places to find more obscure data that illuminates the ancestor's life.

Unfortunately, I have more questions than answers and several disjointed ideas. I think I do have some personal bias here and I wonder how my interests and interactions in genealogy relate to those of others. I'm not sure there is much marketing research done on the industry around genealogy to know key trends. Matthew

MATTHEW TYLER YATES PG22 XFD-60215

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Subject: RE: Evaluation of Options for Family Trees
From: phil@upchurchstory.com
Date: Thu, Feb 12, 2015 10:10 am
To: "Matthew Yates" <matthewyates@alm.com>XXXXX
Attach: SCHEDULE FOR HOLLIMAN VISIT TO ALLIED FAMILIES.docx
Key Allied Families Docs 12 FEB 15.docx

Hi Matthew---

Thank you for your detailed response to my inquiry. You have covered a wide array of situations and I will preserve your comments along with other inputs as we move forward to resolve methodology issues for Allied Families. We now have enough experience to begin to deal with the hard questions to implement our vision. Your email arrives just as we are starting a two-day visit from a representative of the Holliman(Holleman) family from PA to consider bringing their operation under the banner of Allied Families. Attached are two related items. You can see we will be covering some of the ground you have exposed.

For now I will comment on the money aspect you have raised and look forward to going into detail on the other aspects in due course. Hopefully, some issues will become moot as we study enough to make choices and get things behind us. For example, we have now purchased the Go Daddy program Express Email to help us with our massive mailings and to make our E-Newsletters more appealing.

Re the money. I favor anyone being able to access our home page unfettered. There they will be able to go to our massive Resource file by getting a password upon giving their name and email address(this gets them into our address system and allows us to do repeated followups via E=Newsletters or private emails as appropriate). A challenge is to make the Resources file search-able. Likewise visitors would be prompted on our home page to go to the narratives for any of dozens of enrolled families where, again, they would be able to see all details by providing name and email address.(A challenge is for us to allow members of a given enrolled family to readily access their prior inputs which will have been melded into our Resources file.)In no case would visitors be able to enter or change details. That would require them to become a member of our system and even then rights would be carefully proscribed.

With the above approach we would be able to use accumulated email addresses to contact prior visitors to encourage them to become members at \$20/year and to become active participants in a given enrolled family or to enroll their own. My experience is this this approach will bring us volunteer workers, numerous \$20 memberships and a fair collection of members who sign up at a higher level. Further our ongoing E-Newsletter program for each enrolled family will repeatedly encourage donations to provide long-term support for the enrolled family to which they have allegiances. In our first year we collected about \$10,000. Along the way we count on having a few deep pocket people to surface who will help carry the load (we have some in mind). So from this you get an idea on our financial model. There are, of course. many more questions that could be asked. I will welcome yours.

Over time I can send you more think pieces or updates. A real bonus will come when I am in Raleigh and we can go over items in detail.

Do continue to let me have your inputs. I am sensitive that you have other duties and time is valuable .

Best~

Phil Upchurch

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Dear Matthew---

You have been a strong supporter of our family history work on Upchurch and