

Orlando Jackson Upchurch

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Commentary: Orlando Jackson Upchurch was a son of the prodigious Ruffin and a grandson of Moses, head of Upchurch clan 1.

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(1) Per attachment #34 West letter 18 May 1854 – Wake Co, NC Marriage Records
“21 Dec 1854 – Orlando Upchurch married Sarah Ann Ragin – Witness John Crocker and Thomas Utley”

(2) Orlando J Upchurch born 26 Dec 1833 was 37 years old in 1870 Census of Wake County – died 18 Aug 1906 Olive Chapel Church Cemetery, Apex, NC. Married 18 Dec 1854 Sarah Ann Ragan born 3 Jul 1831 was 28 years old in 1870 Wake County Census died 6 Feb 1916. Bondsman John Crocker and Thomas Utley (W). Rev Johnson Olive – minister. Their children:

1. Ortney Ann Upchurch born 1856 married Alfonso “Fonzie” Wilson
 - a. Enna Wilson born Apr 1880
 - b. Toy Wilson (male)
2. Lourena “Rennie” Upchurch – Twin born 1858 married Benton Wilson
3. Louzenia “Lousenie” Upchurch – Twin born 1858 married Archibald Houston Bennett. Houston born 10 Aug 1863, died 1930
 - a. Estelle Bennett married
 - (1) John (?) Mills
 - (2) James Crayton
 - (1) Cecil Crayton
 - (a) Kathy Crayton
 - (b) Randy Crayton
 - (2) Doris Crayton – died young
 - b. Sidney Carlyle Bennett born 2 Aug 1890, died 10 Jan 1935. Buried Shady Grove Church Cemetery, New Hill, NC married Vara Hanie Mann 22 Nov 1895; she died 12 Sep 1938 – Shady Grove Cemetery
 - (1) }
 - (2) } See reference for details
 - (3) }
4. Zora A Upchurch born 19 Sep 1872 died 24 Nov 1905 married John Seaton Welch born 7 Aug 1873 died 31 Dec 1939
 - a. Zora Ruth Welch
 - (1)
 - (2)
5. Maggie Jackson Upchurch – see reference for details

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(3) 1860 Wake Co, NC Census lists Orlando Upchurch, age 26 as farmer with wife Sarah Upchurch, age 27 and two children in home. Adenaw (Ortney Ann) age 4 and Lorena age 2.

(4) 1880 Wake Co, NC Census lists Orlando Upchurch, age 48, farmer and wife Sarah, age 48, with children: Lirena 21, Luzenie 18, Margaret 5, Zora 8. [Note: other info shows Lourena (Rennie) and Louzenia (Lousenie) as twins born in 1858 but the 1880 Census does not seem to agree – RPU]

(5) Wake Co, NC Marriage Bonds

Orlando Upchurch married Sarah Ann Ragin 18 Dec 1854

(6) See Wake Co, NC Marriage Bonds with 31 Oct 1977 letter Mrs L W Priest to RPU
Orlando Upchurch married Sarah Ann Ragin – Date of Bond = 18 Dec 1854. Bondsman = John Crocker; Witness = Thomas J Utley. Married 21 Dec 1854 by Johnson Olive.

(7) See Wake Co Census – 1870 – Buckhorn Township

Olander Upchurch, age 37, male, white, farmer, \$550 RE, \$600 PP with wife Sarah, age 38, and children:

Autney	age 14	f	Jackey	age 5	f
Lurana	age 12	f	Sarah Ragan	age 74	f
Luzeny	age 9	f	[domestic servant – blind, cannot R or W]		

[Note: I guess Sarah Ragan age 74 = mother of Sarah Regan age 38 – RPU]

(8) See 1850 Census – Wake Co, NC – Western Division

Olander (Orlando) Upchurch, age 18, male, born in NC is listed in household headed by Ruffin Upchurch, age 35, male, farmer, \$100 RE.

[This Ruffin Upchurch may be a brother of Orlando Upchurch – RPU]

(9) See Olive Chapel Baptist Church Cemetery Records – Wake Co, NC

OJU 26 Dec 1833 – 16 Aug 1906 (3' high stone)

Sarah A, wife of OJU 3 Jul 1831 – 6 Feb 1916 (4' high stone)

(10) Per attachment #24 West letter 18 May 1975 – Upchurch Wills – Wake Co, NC Courthouse
“OJU to Sahrah Upchurch, et al 24 Aug 1906 Rec F, Page 1, File 2432

(11) See biofile of Ruffin Upchurch. **OJU** was the executor and he was trying to locate the children of Ruffin Upchurch. There are four documents (A, B, C, D) and they establish many of the children of Ruffin Upchurch. Spelling of name for **OJU**:

Doc A: Olander J Upchurch, Olender J Upchurch

Doc B: OJU

Doc C: OJU

Doc D: OJU

(12) See letter 24 May 2000 Mary Urban to Clyde Charles Upchurch, JR (who sent same on to RPU) Mary is researching the Ragan Family and noted Sarah Ann Ragin married **Orlando Jackson Upchurch**. Details from her letter:

I. David Strait

married () Nancy Ann Briggs

A. Amy Strait (AKA Ann Strait)

married () Willis Ragan

1. William Ragan

married () Sarah --- ---

a. Sarah Ann Ragin

married () **Orlando Jackson Upchurch**, head of a line in the Moses Upchurch/Ruffin Upchurch Sub-clan

(13) See 19 Nov 1978 phone call RPU to Ala Yow

She gives Orlando Jackson Upchurch's death date as 18 Aug 1907. This appears in error as 18 Aug 1807 is a better bet – RPU

(14) Index to Deeds, Mortgages and Real Estate Conveyances

Chatham Co, NC 1787 – 1935 – Upchurch – Date filed, Book, Page

U Grantees(s) [bought]		Grantor(s) [sold]			
Apr 4 1891	DO <u>Orlando Jackson U</u>	Wilson Robert H etal	Deed	C-H	177
Apr 4 1891	DO <u>Orlando Jackson U</u>	Wilson Robert H etal	Deed	C-H	178
Sep 20 1897	DO <u>Orlando Jackson U</u>	William W O	Mtge	D-A	312
Nov 22 1897	DO <u>Orlando Jackson U</u>	Beavers J W etal	Mtge	C-Z	436
Mar 28 1899	DO <u>Orlando Jackson U</u>	Yates L B etal	Mtge	D-E	210
Jan 20 1900	DO <u>Orlando Jackson U</u>	Williams J M etal	Mtge	D-H	342
Aug 4 1904	DO <u>Orlando Jackson U</u>	Goodwin W H etal	Mtge	D-R	313
Jul 4 1905	DO <u>Orlando Jackson U</u>	Yates George T etal	Mtge	D-R	430
U Grantors(s) [sold]		Grantee(s) [bought]			
Feb 15 1907	DO Sara Ann Upchurch + <u>Orlando Jackson Upchurch</u>	Wilson Baxter	Deed	E-B	505

(15) In letter 23 Jul 2003 Ann Poe to RPU
North Carolina Marriage Bonds, 1741 – 1868

Ancestry.com - North Carolina Marriage Bonds, 1741-1868

<http://search.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/sse.dll?&db=ncmarr1741&cres=3..>

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Database: North Carolina Marriage Bonds, 1741-1868

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North Carolina Marriage Bonds, 1741-1868

Bride: Sarah Ann Ragin
Groom: Orlando Upchurch
Bond Date: 18 Dec 1854
County: Wake
Record #: 03 532
Bondsman: John Crocker
Witness: Thomas J Utley
Bond #: 000158736
Marriage Date: 21 Dec 1854
Performed By: Johnson Olive

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(16) History of Olive Chapel Baptist Church – Wake Co, NC

Reprinted in James Olive Family from News & Observer 7 Jan 1940 by Anne (Jackson) Williams, wife of T Lacy Williams – Raleigh Attorney who grew up in Olive Chapel Area. References made to New Ruin Founding in 1850 promoted by 3 ministers Jesse Howell, John C Wilson & Johnson Olive. Building Committee: Willis Ragan & Kader Olive.

<u>First Male Members</u>	<u>First Female Members</u>	<u>Initial Baptisms</u>
Wesley Goodwin	Anna Lawrence	John W Johnson
Needham Beckwith	Jane Goodwin	Elizabeth Olive
James Mills	Sara Ragan	Sarah Ragan (md
Willis Ragan	Elizabeth Willis	<u>Orlando Jackson U</u>)
Ensley Council	Fenaker Moore	Tempy Ragan (md
Wesley O'Daniels		Thomas Lawrence)
		Martha Johnson

While the first sanctuary was being built the church met nearby in home of Henry Cotton (where John Mills Home now stands on HWY 64), father of D A T Cotton and grandfather of Earl Cotton (of a famous murder case).

1890 – New Sanctuary built – W S Olive (grew up in the church) new young minister served til his death 1926 (1931) – promoted rapid growth

Ministers: John C Wilson, Jesse Howell, Johnson Olive, O Upchurch, W S Olive, (W C Howard & Dr J H Gorrell as supply for illness), Dr C R Pittard, Rev W W Hutchins, Rev William H Corbutt

Church produced ministers: G T Mills (Pastor of Green Level 1940), Dr Kyle M Yates & T S Lawrence

Married ministers: Lula Olive (Rev Jeter Rogers); Grace Olive (Rev Lester Lane)

Religious workers: Miss Grace Lawrence, Miss Ruth Yates, Miss Alma Lawrence (married Earl James)

Rev L Bunn Olive became a missionary – in China 1940

S S Superintendents: Charles F Williams 1906 – 1915, Sexton Lawrence, J B Mills, J L Swain, J C Olive, A C Lawrence

Clerks (in order): W J Goodwin, T R Lawrence, J C Ragan, C L Jenks, D T Johnson, J H Barber, H T Barker, T L Booth, J M Lutter, L J Mills, K Johnson, L J Mills, A H Ragan, L H Lutter, B C Poole.

Church burned Oct 1939 – Building Committee: Deacons: W H Kelly, Paul Mills, E E Olive, Freeland Goodman, Hollie Barker, A C Lawrence, T E Goodwin, W A Hinton (TTE & Chair Building Committee) TTES W H Goodman, R E Morris, E Judd Goodwin, H M Olive

(25) Extract from: Wake Treasures Vol 20 No 2 Summer/ Fall 2010 – by RPU 4 Apr 2011 – Branson's N C Business Directory – 1884 – Wake Co, NC Section

Farmers:

Apex: J R Upchurch [John Rice Upchurch, I]
W B Upchurch

Banks: —————→

Green Level:

G A Upchurch

Hayes Store:

D L Upchurch

O J Upchurch

Morrisville:

J R Upchurch [John Rice Upchurch, I]

W B Upchurch

Gilbert Upchurch

Jack Upchurch [John Rice Upchurch, I]

Bartlett Upchurch

Raleigh:

B P Williamson

G T Cooke

W G Upchurch

B J Upchurch

Bryant Smith

Rogers Store:

Buckner Ray

Eagle Rock:

T H Avera

Upchurch Smith

Farmers – Banks

Banks, T L

Bunting, J N

Myatt, W

Stephenson, H A

Penney, J J

Young, J J

Stephenson, L D

Stephenson, Matthew

Gower, James

Banks, George

Turner, William

Crowder, Thomas A

Crowder, W D

Rand, William H

Rand, John

Jewell, Manless

Partin, George

Partin, Marion

Rhodes, James A

Utley, Samuel

Harris, Aaron

Jones, W J

Jones, Miss Penny

Rand, Oscar

(18) NC Marriages

Orlando Upchurch

North Carolina Marriages, 1759 – 1979

marriage: 21 Dec 1854

Wake, North Carolina

spouse: Sarah Razin [Note: Ragin should be Ragin – RPU 7 Jun 2018]