

# **GREETINGS TOMLINSON FAMILY**

Please get comfortable before you start reading this letter. It's a long one!



First, let us introduce ourselves. We are the duly elected officers of the Tomlinson Family, serving a one-year term commencing October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025.

**Lydia Jenkins-Aaron, President** – Daughter of Lemuel & Merlinda Jenkins; Granddaughter of William & Hazel Jenkins; Great Granddaughter of John & Adline Tomlinson; Great, Great Granddaughter of Fred Douglas & Amelia Tomlinson

**Tina L. Mitchell, Vice President** - Wife of Jeffery Mitchell who is the son of Willie "Billy" & Ethel Mitchell; Grandson of William and Mazie Mitchell; Great Grandson of John & Adeline Tomlinson; Great, Great Grandson of Fred Douglas & Amelia Tomlinson

**Diana Mitchell, Secretary** – Daughter of Charles & Valgean Mitchell; Granddaughter of Willie and Mazie Mitchell; Great Granddaughter of John & Adeline Tomlinson; Great, Great Granddaughter of Fred Douglas & Amelia Tomlinson

**Karen A. Hodges, Treasurer** – Daughter of Nathanial "Bud" & Ann Hodges; Granddaughter of Mayso & Josephine Tomlinson; Great Granddaughter of John & Adeline Tomlinson; Great, Great Granddaughter of Fred Douglas & Amelia Tomlinson

**Charles D. Mitchell, Sr.**, **Historian** - Son of Willie and Mazie Mitchell; Grandson of John & Adeline Tomlinson; Great Grandson of Fred Douglas & Amelia Tomlinson

We are here to serve you by completing tasks that promote unity, facilitate support, ensure sustainability and enhance communication within our family. We each volunteered to serve as an officer at the July 2024 Family Reunion and we have been busy planning for this upcoming year ever since.

In addition to our election as family officers, the following individuals volunteered to serve on the 2025 Tomlinson Family Reunion Planning Committee.

"Sea" Committee Chair:Debra Phillips"Land" Committee Chair:Tashera Nichols-McDuffie with the help of members: Karen Hodges and Donna Norwood.

We are so happy to present our first communications to you to share our excitement and enthusiasm about what's in store for our family over this next year. But first, let's take care of some family business.

## **Tomlinson Family Dues 2025**

As mentioned in 2023/2024, it was the first time in the history of our family collecting dues. Again this year, (and beyond) dues will be assessed to offset costs related to creating the infrastructure/legal status for the Tomlinson Family and to cover pre-planning costs associated with the family reunion. The annual dues for 2025 is \$25.00 per blood line family member. If you feel led to donate more than the assessed dues, we highly encourage this support. Also, if there are non-blood line family members in your household (e.g., spouse), we we come dues from them as well which will grant them full membership rights. Our goal is to establish a financial base to build upon for years to come to support activities such as scholarships, destination reunions, family emergency fund, memorial recognitions and other opportunities to support each of you as the need presents.

Family dues are due by November 15, 2024. Dues paying members will receive the following:

- Voting Rights
- FaceBook Recognition
- Special Reunion Activity

Family dues can be paid via the following mobile payment services:

- Venmo @FDTomlinsonFamily
- Cash App \$fdtomlinsonfamily

Another payment option is the good old U.S. Mail. *Make checks payable to FD Tomlinson*Family Reunion and mail to: Karen Hodges 3710 Exchange Glenwood Pl. #65 Raleigh, NC 27612

We hope you will adhere to this request within the timeframe specified. Thank you in advance!

## **Tomlinson Family Events/Activities**

Why wait until the Family Reunion to connect? We have 11 more months in the year to share our family love. So, various events and activities will be planned throughout the year to maintain our connectivity leading up to the culminating event, the Tomlinson Family Reunion. All events and activities will be posted on the F. D. Tomlinson FaceBook page:

https://m.facebook.com/groups/fdtomlinsonfamily/?ref=share&mibextid=DcJ9fc

NOTE: The Fred Douglas Tomlinson FaceBook page is NO LONGER hosted by the family as of December 31, 2023. Please make sure you "like" the above FaceBook page (F.D. Tomlinson Family) to stay up to date on all of the family news.

Events/activities will include Family Prayer Time (Thankful Thursdays) Family e-Newsletter, Virtual Holidays, Fundraisers, and Birthday Celebrations, just to name a few. This is where we need your help...if you have any ideas of events/activities/fundraisers we can share together as a family, please send your suggestions via this email address.

## 2025 Family Reunion Updates



July 18-21, 2025
Tomlinson Family Reunion
LAND & SEA
More details to come!



#### **Contact Information**

For information, comments, suggestions, etc., regarding The Tomlinson Family, please contact:

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Miscellaneous and e-newsletter ideas email: Freddtomlinsonfamily@yahoo.com

YAY!! You made it to the end of the letter. So that we will know who read the entire letter, please reply via this email address by sending us the names of all your household family members and their birth dates. Also, please share this letter with family members that don't use email and/or their address is not listed as part of this email group.

That's it for now. Until next time we wish you LOVE, PEACE and SOUL!

Respectfully, The Tomlinson Family Officers