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# **Triangle Chapter**

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**The NC / Piedmont-Triad Chapter,** a nonprofit Organization, was founded in 1998 under the leadership of Lamar E. DeLoatch and Jack Dewar. The Organizing members are John & Lois Harris, Mary & Louis Lane, Ralph E. & Susie H. Lee, Keith Lipscomb, Harold Fields, Ted & LaVonne Napper, and Roger & Robin McLean. The Society Objectives are as follows:

- To enlighten and enrich the self-worth and self-esteem of Black Americans through genealogical research and interest
- To promote the collection, preservation, and utilization of manuscripts, documents, and other materials of genealogical & historical value.
- To create a network of persons with similar interests.
- To promote & encourage our youth to research their heritage.
- To increase interest in research and to raise the standards of research and compilation by means of workshops and educational programs.

On February 2, 2002, the Chapter hosted the first "Black History Month Genealogy Conference" at Genesis Baptist Church in Greensboro, North Carolina. In 2012 and 2017, the Chapter sponsored the AAHGS National Genealogical Conference. Currently, the Chapter has over 50 members.

**Charlotte Chapter** The African American Genealogy Interest Group (AAGIG) was formed on October 28, 1995 by a group of persons who found common interest in researching their ancestors. In January, 2016, we became a part of the National Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society, Inc. (AAHGS) based in Washington, DC. We felt our association with such a highly



regarded organization, as AAHGS would continue our mission, while expanding benefits to our group and the community.

#### **Our Mission**

The Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society, Inc. (AAHGS) strives to preserve African ancestor family history, genealogy, and cultural diversity by teaching research techniques and disseminating information throughout the community. (aahgs.org)

#### **Our Goals**

Our primary goals are to promote scholarly research, provide resources for historical and genealogical studies, create a network of persons with similar interests, and assist members in documenting their histories. (aahgs.org)



**The Sandhills Chapter** was formed in October of 2019. the organizing members are Desi L. Campbell, Alfreda Wilson, Reba Greene, Nelson Smith, Peggy Robinson, Ammie McRae, Doris Lucas, Frances Johnson, Angela Campbell, Paul Robinson, Donald Hooks, Tammie Hooks, and Benjamin Wilson.

In 2020, we partnered with the Harnett County African American Experience to host the 2nd Annual Harnett County African American

Heritage Festival. The festival included such activities as our Vendor Fair, where we had entertainment, door prizes, presentation of awards to our middle schools students that participated in our art and Essay contest.

On Sunday, we hosted National Recording Artist Pastor John P. Kee and the New Life Community Choir, Christopher Erwin and the Abraham Descendants and the Triton High School Showstoppers Gospel Choir. In 2020 we took in four new members Jackie DeGraffenridt, Jackie Bowens, Stella Pierce and Tamara McKethan.

The NC Triangle Region Chapter of AAHGS was organized in Spring 2014 at the West Regional Public Library in Cary, NC and was officially chartered in October of the same year with sixteen founding members.

The Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society, Inc. North Carolina Triangle Region Chapter strives to preserve African-ancestored family history, genealogy and cultural diversity by teaching research techniques and disseminating information throughout the community. Our primary goals are to promote scholarly research, provide resources for historical and genealogical studies, create a network of persons with similar interests and assist members in documenting their histories.

The Chapter has regularly monthly meetings with presentations teaching research techniques, proper documentation of primary resources and pursuit of popular genealogy topics.

# **Genealogy Prayer**

Lord, help us dig into the past And sift the sands of time That we might find the roots that made This family tree mine

Lord help us trace the ancient roads On which our fathers trod. And led them through so many lands. To fins our present sod.

Lord, help us find an ancient book. Or dusty manuscript. That's safely hidden now away In some forgotten crypt.

Lord, let it bridge the gap that haunts Our soul, when we can't find The missing link between some name That ends the same as mines.

Amen



**Desi L. Campbell** is the president AAHGS Sandhills Chapter. He is a 1993 graduate of Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, North Carolina. He also attended Savannah State

University in Savannah, Georgia. He is a native of Washington, DC and currently living in Spring Lake. North Carolina. He services as the as the Executive Director for Harnett County African American Heritage Festival and the African American Experience Resource Room.

He is an published author of nine family genealogy books *The Descendants Volume I* and *II, The Campbell Story, The Cameron-McNeill Story, The Holmes Story, The McNeill Story Volume I* and *2, The Road Once Traveled,* and his lasted book *"Let's Talk Genealogy for Kids.* He has also produced several Family Video Documentaries and has his weekly genealogy show "Let's Talk Genealogy"

Campbell recently was recognized as a 2020 Virginia Humanities Scholar and was granted a scholarship through the George A. and Frances Bibbins Latimer Fund. He serves on the Board of Directors of the Sandhill Family Heritage Association in spring Lake, North Carolina. He is a member io the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, The Thomas A. Dorsey National Convention of Gospel Choirs and Choruses, the Gospel Music Workshop of America and the Mt. Pisgah Harnett Free Will Baptist Church in Erwin, North Carolina. He currently is a music educator in the Harnett County public School System.



Lamar E. DeLoatch has been a Genealogical Compiler and Researcher for 42 years. He has traced his family history back to Castles in the Loire Valley of Magellan, France, the Balanta People in the Republic of Guinea-Bissau, Africa; the Akan Tribe in Ghana, Africa and the Native American Nations of Cherokee, Creek, Nansemond, Saponi, and Tuscarora. His family is descendant of the <u>Somerset Place Plantation</u>, a historic site in Creswell, North Carolina. Lamar refers to himself as an American of African and Native American descent.

In 1998, Lamar co-founded the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society, Inc., North Carolina / Piedmont-Triad Chapter of which he is currently president. He has been a member of AAHGS since 1985. DeLoatch is a well-know researcher on "It's OK To Visit The Plantation": How one can find his or her family slave owner". He helps assist with his family web page "*The Descendants of Michael (DeLoatch) Desloges*" and has published a couple of family history directories "A History of the DeLoatches of Northampton County, North Carolina", "The Smith/Spruill Family of Bertie County, North Carolina", and The Langfords of Northampton County, NC. Directories are in the State Archives and Genealogical Library, and the Northampton County Public Library, and Museum in Jackson, North Carolina.

He is married to Cheryl A. Wheeler (Coharie & Cherokee ancestry). Attends Genesis Baptist Church, Greensboro, NC (Church Leadership Team and Youth Ministry Coordinator). Served as the Director & Evaluator/Career Development at Goodwill Industries at Goodwill Industries, Greensboro, NC for 29 years. Past District Executive for the Boy Scouts of America for 10 years, worked for the New York State Division for Youth for 6 years and in 1972, started a Transportation and Travel Business which is ongoing today. Prior to his work history, DeLoatch served his country as a Viet Nam Army Veteran and is currently volunteering for the National Association of Black Veterans (*NABVETS*).

DeLoatch attended Elizabeth City State University (Social Sciences), National Executive Institute (*Public Administration*), and Auburn University (*Vocational Evaluation Services*). He is a Business owner / consultant (Transportation, Tours, Travel, and Farming) for over 47 years. Was a member of the City of Greensboro's Minority/Women Business Enterprise Board for 17 years and served as a Human Relations Commissioner for the City of Greensboro for 8 years. Founder of the NorthEast Project, Inc. (A Community Development Corporation) and currently serves as a Mentor for New & Start-up Businesses. In 2018, he was presented the <u>Old North State Award</u> by Governor Roy Cooper for his work and genealogical research in his community and for the state of North Carolina.

DeLoatch loves Farming, Horseback Riding, Tennis, Golf, Genealogy, History, Pow Wow's, and Traveling. Likes working with Youth & Young Adults, Praising the Lord, Economic Development, and playing with his Grandchildren.



Wellness AdvocateRetired Nonprofit ManagerCommunity and Youth AdvocateGenealogist

**Renee Y. Jones** has always been curious about her roots. Born and reared in Tampa, Florida, by way of Durham, NC; she began her research in the 1970's; moved to Charlotte, NC in1995; began to search for a Black Genealogy Society. And in 2016, she joined the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society, Inc. Charlotte Chapter.

Renee is currently owner and Wellness Advocate with Forever Wellness, Inc., a health and wellness firm, based in Charlotte, North Carolina. Forever Wellness shares how to maintain optimum mental, physical and spiritual health, utilizing Essential Oils and other natural solutions.

She is a retired non-profit executive with over (35) thirty-five years of professional experience in: Workshop facilitation, Administration, Organization and Fund development, Program and Board development and Evaluation.

Appointed to the North Carolina Governor's Youth Advisory Council, received the Super Star Consultants for 98% overall annual client evaluations and the Dynamic Team Award for the Motorola, Inc. Outplacement Project.

She received her core curriculum studies at Spelman College, Bachelor of Arts (BA) from North Carolina Central University and a Master's in Business Administration (MBA) from the University of Phoenix.



Wanda Cox-Bailey, MLS Library Science

Ms. Wanda Cox-Bailey was born in Fayetteville, North Carolina, the second oldest child of Flora Jackson Cox and the late Charlie Cox. A childhood interest in family history began early while listening to family stories revolving around the Fayetteville Market House, and formally enslaved ancestors.

She earned degrees in social work and Library science from the University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland. Before moving to Raleigh, North Carolina. Ms. Cox Bailey created and coordinated cultural programming in D.C. Public Libraries, Library of Congress and the National Portrait Gallery.

Ms. Cox-Bailey retired from Wake County Public Libraries in December 2020 after twenty-eight years of service as branch manager of Richard B. Harrison Community Library.

Ms. Cox-Bailey is a founding member and president of the AAHGS Triangle Region chapter, and a member of Wake County Genealogical Society. She serves on the board of Fertile Ground Food Coop, and the Legacy Committee of the Dix Park Conservancy.

She is the official Keeper of the National AAHGS Heritage Quilts. Current projects include researching, locating and uniting descendants of Uncle John Hunter, an enslaved individual of Spring Hill Plantation. An upcoming post COVID 19 project includes site manager of the Pope House Museum, the only African American House Museum in the state.

As a newly retired genealogy buff, she looks forward to exploring North Carolina's waterfalls, church cemeteries, and our vanishing historically African American communities.

# Event Schedule

#### 9 am - 9:45 am

**Genealogy Praver** 

# **Opening Ceremony**

Genealogy Flayer	
Negro National Anthem	Kirk Franklin
Welcome	Frances Johnson
Greetings	Spring Lake Mayor: Rev. Larry Dobbins
Entertainment	Andre Stevens Thomas, Recording Artist
Greetings	National President Gene Stephenson
Greetings	The North Carolina Chapter Presidents
Purpose	Stella Pierce
Presentation	North Carolina A Philip Randolph Institute

#### 10 am - 10:45 am

### **Session I**

Things to do after you take a DNA Test: A Personal Journey- Fred Watts Telling Your Family Story - Dr. Janaka Bowman Lewis, Ph.D.
Genealogy Reveals Meaning for a Museum and for a Community- Martha Hartley Old Salem Museums and Gardens
Genealogy 101: Getting Started in Genealogy a Beginner's Guide- Mavis Jones

### 11 am - 11:45 am

## Session II

Family Tree Maker Genealogy Software - John Sadler Genealogy Resources in the Digital Library on Slavery- Dr. Claire Heckel UNCG Using Funeral Programs to inform Genealogy Research – Renate Yarborough Sanders International African American Museum of Charleston, South Carolina- Toni Carrier

# Event Schedule

#### Lunch, entertainment, Vendor Hall

1pm - 1:45pm

#### **Session III**

Familysearch.org Website - Deena L. Hill

Artifacts Preservation – Dr. Paula Harrell

Resources from the Joyner Library for Historical Research- Professor Ralph Scott ECU

**Cemetery Preservation** – Debra Taylor Gonzalez

2pm - 2:45

### **Session IV**

· North Carolina Slave Narratives – African American Experience

· Ged Match Basics – Deborah Ford

· Johnson County Heritage Center- Tom Johnson

 To Tell or Not to Tell: Managing the Discovery of Family Secrets in Genealogical Research - Tamara McKethan

2:50pm - 3:00pm

### **Closing Session**

12pm



**John H. Sadler** is a member and past president of *Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society, Inc.* Charlotte Chapter early 1990's.

He has been on a mission to research, document, preserve and present histories of his family since the early 1980's; who originated in York County, South Carolina, Cleveland County, North Carolina, Forsythe County, North Carolina and Chester County, South Carolina. He has been able to trace all four branches of his family back to slavery.

His current focus is on the Sadler Family branch. He has found the white slave owner of his great-great grandfather; and was able to trace great-great grandfather as a "Free Man "out of slavery, as documented in the 1870 United States Census.

Additionally, he is currently writing a book on his family; and how he was able to find his grandfather. It will include explanation of the tools utilized; the trials and tribulations he encountered, during his research.

He has completed and is scheduled to publish, in 2021, a four volume set of books, on how to research your family history both pre and post slavery.



# **Outline of Introduction to Family Tree**

# Maker Genealogy Software

Family Tree Maker Desktop

Select Tree

Plan

North Carolina Chapters People Pedigree Chart

Family Group Sheet

Places Media Sources Publish

Charts, Genealogy Reports, Person Reports

Relationship Reports, Place Reports, Media Reports

Source Reports

Other

Books

Saved Charts

Saved Reports

Saved Books

Web Search

Family Tree Maker Menu Bar

Getting Started

Open A Tree

Starting A New Tree

Family Group Sheet

Pedigree Chart



**Mavis W. Jones** has been engaged in genealogical research for over 30 years. She is the descendent of formerly enslaved ancestors. Mavis is the author of two blogs: "Georgia Black Crackers," which focuses on her research on her maternal line; and "Conversations with My Ancestors," which

focuses on her research on her paternal line. Mavis is a member of the North Carolina Genealogical Society (NCGS), the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society (AAHGS); the East Georgia Genealogical Society (EGGS); the Martin County Genealogical Society (Martin County, NC); and the African American Heritage Ministry at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church in Charlotte, NC.

Mavis recently began teaching beginning genealogical classes and doing genealogical presentations at her church and for the Charlotte chapter of AAHGS. Mavis has taken course work through the Midwest African American Genealogical Institute and has attended various conferences through the years.

Mavis holds a Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry and as worked in both the public and private sector for the past 37 years.



# Genealogy 101: Getting Started A Beginner's Guide

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Instructor Mavis W. Jones Phone 704-965-5813 Email maviswjones@gmail.com Best Time to Contact M-F after 6 pm or

Sat / Sun

Course Overview

During this presentation, you will be introduced to the basics of getting prepared to do genealogical research. You will also be introduced to documentation that many genealogist use when beginning to do research.

Specific items that will be covered include Organization, Pedigree Charts, Timelines, Vital Records, and Census Records.

Required Text

None

Course Materials Handout to use as reference after the class

Resources

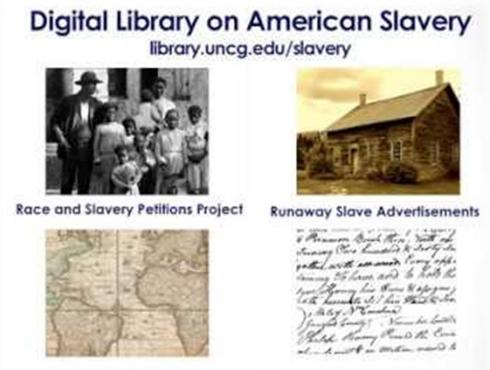
Refer to handout

Additional Information

If you have questions or need assistance with some of the material that was presented, please contact via email or phone.



**Dr. Claire Heckel** is the Project Coordinator for the project "People Not Property: Slave Deeds of North Carolina" at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Originally from Stanly County, NC, she holds a Ph.D. in Anthropology from New York University.



Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade Database

**People Not Property Project** 



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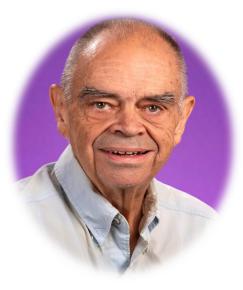
# People Not Property: Slave Deeds of North Carolina Project Genealogy Resources in the Digital Library on American Slavery at UNCG

Class Outline:

The Digital Library on American Slavery (DLAS) at the University of North Carolina Greensboro is an invaluable resource for family historians and descendants of enslaved people. This freely accessible database includes the Race & Slavery Petitions Project, the NC Runaway Slave Ads Project, and the most recent addition, The People Not Property Project.

This class will introduce attendees to the types of records that these projects contain, provide examples of stories that the projects have uncovered, and give an overview to the additional research and educational resources that the site offers. People Not Property project coordinator Dr. Heckel will highlight how the efforts of volunteers have contributed to the project and cover the basics of volunteering for those interested in contributing to this important effort in documenting the history of enslaved people and slaveholders in NC.





**Ralph Scott** is a Professor and Curator of Rare Books and Maps in Special Collection at East Carolina University. He hold a B.A. degree in History from Columbia University, a M.S. in Library Service from Columbia University and an M.A. in Maritime History from East Carolina.

He is Treasurer of the Historical Society of North Carolina, and Chair of the Brewster Award Committee of the Association of North Carolina Historians. He currently is the editor of the publication: *North Carolina Libraries* (www.ncl.ecu.edu) He is the author of: Wilmington Shipyard: a history of the North Carolina Shipbuilding Company, 1941-1945. (Charleston, 1997)





# Genealogical Research in the North Carolina Collection at East Carolina University

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The North Carolina Collection collects historical and genealogical research resources for all North Carolina counties. The collection focus has been primarily, through not exclusively, on counties located in the Coastal plans region. This guide provides a foundation to finding and utilizing accurate genealogy research materials.

Learning Outcomes:

- Locate secondary sources in the North Carolina Collection and online that pertain to genealogical research.
- Locate and request primary sources material in the North Carolina Collection that relates to genealogical research
- Know who to contact for help with library research.

Church Records	Military Service
Census Records	Naturalization Records
City Directories	Newspapers
Gazetteers	Periodicals
Genealogies	Passenger List
Land Records	Surnames
Local Histories	
Maps	



**Fred Watts** is a member of the Piedmont Chapter of AAHGS. He started earnestly doing genealogy research on his family while living in the Washington, DC area in the late 1980s. His initial research activities included scouring through microfiche at the National Archives. More recently, he has use the available electronic methods of research such as Ancestry.com

This included using 23andMe, Ancestry.com, MyHeritage, and Y-Chromosome testing as part of the Genographic Project. His presentation addresses the three primary reasons individuals get their DNA tested using his personal experiences.

and FamilySearch.org. Lastly, he has included DNA analysis in his efforts.

Fred Watts is a retired information technology professional. His retirement hobby is as a mathematics instructor at Randolph Community College in Asheboro, NC.





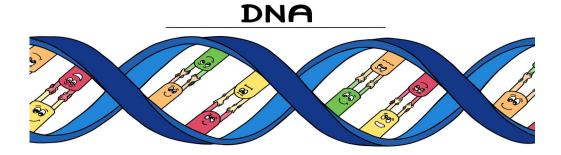
Presentation Title: Things to do after you take a DNA test: A Personal Journey

**Presenter: Fred Watts** 

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#### **Presentation Outline**

- Basics: reasons for DNA analysis & personal information
- Grouping via Ancestry.com
- Auto Clusters via MyHeritage
- 23andMe & applying network analysis techniques to that data
- DNApainter.com: two key tool capabilities
- Experiences with serious DNA Relative Researchers





**Martha Hartley** is Director of Moravian Research at Old Salem Museums & Gardens. A native of Winston-Salem, she received undergraduate degrees from Hollins College and spent a year in Paris during college. From the University of Virginia, she received a master's degree in

Urban Planning and a Certificate in Historic Preservation. Her work as a Preservation Planner has included community preservation, advocacy, and public awareness. For over 30 years, Martha and her husband Michael, anthropologist and retired Director of Archaeology at Old Salem, have worked together with the archaeology, history, landscape, and preservation of the Moravian communities in the Winston-Salem area. She is co-chair of Old Salem's Hidden Town Project, *To Research and Reveal the History of People of African Descent in Salem*.



**Jonathan Serrano** is the Community Research Fellow for the Hidden Town Project at Old Salem Museums & Gardens. He has family in

Tampa, Florida, and all over the Georgia state, but has lived in North

Carolina since 2010. He is a 2016 graduate of Parkland High School. He is interested in bringing the rich history and events of Happy Hill, the first African American community in Winston-Salem, to the forefront. Mr. Serrano looks forward to building generational wealth for the African American community as a whole. While Jonathan was a resident of the historic Happy Hill community, he served on the Happy Hill Neighborhood Association. He began work at Old Salem as a volunteer in January 2020 and in August, he became the initial recipient of the Hidden Town Community Research Fellowship. His research is focused on people of the Happy Hill community, past and present.



"Genealogy links for Happy Hill: From Enslavement to Freedmen to the present-day Community"

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#### **Presenters:**

Martha Hartley, Director of Moravian Research, Old Salem Museums & Gardens, Co-Chair, Hidden Town Project, <u>https://www.oldsalem.org/core-initiatives/hidden-town-project/</u> Jonathan Serrano, Community Research Fellow, Hidden Town Project

#### Abstract:

Museums are places of education and have a responsibility to tell truth in history. In Winston-Salem, NC, Old Salem is a museum and restoration of the Moravian town of Salem (established in 1766) with a 70-year history of interpreting the past. Salem is the origin of Winston-Salem where people of European descent and people of African descent built the community – they are the city's DNA. Research continues to bring forward new information and provides opportunity to revise stories and broaden narratives. Genealogy is a significant tool for understanding relationships across time and place.

Happy Hill is the first African American neighborhood in Winston-Salem and was a post-Emancipation outgrowth of Salem. This Freedmen's neighborhood was called "Liberia" when it was established in 1872 and quickly known as "Happy Hill." It was as a stable neighborhood of families until mid-20<sup>th</sup> century public policy decisions began traumatizing the people and landscape through urban renewal and highway development. Research continues to reveal important community history, and with energetic citizen leadership, supports revitalization of this historic neighborhood.



**Renate Yarborough Sanders** genealogist, is the descendant of formerly enslaved ancestors, as well as enslavers and free people of color. She is the author of two blogs: "Into the LIGHT", which focuses on her own family history; and, "Genea-Related", a platform for

presenting a variety of information of genealogical interest. Renate also produces a "(Mostly) African-American Funeral Programs" online database, in which she publishes vital data extracted from funeral programs.

Renate is a member of the National Genealogical Society, the North Carolina Genealogical Society, the Afro-American Genealogical and Historical Society (AAHGS), and the Tyrrell County (NC) Genealogical and Historical Society. She is a panelist on BlackProGen LIVE, an online live show presenting topics of interest for people researching ancestors of color and co-hosts a YouTube series, "Let's Talk North Carolina Genealogy," which focuses on topics specific to North Carolina research. Renate has published articles in genealogical articles, and she volunteers in the historical and genealogical community by indexing and arbitrating documents for Family Search, Ancestry.com, and Fold3. Renate is the Newsletter Editor and Membership Chairperson for the Hampton Roads Chapter of AAHGS, a member of the AAHGS National Editorial Board, and a volunteer photographer for Find-A-Grave. She retired in July 2017 from a 32-year career as elementary educator.

Renate is an experienced and engaging speaker. She enjoys presenting genealogy lectures on a variety of topics but specializes in sharing knowledge and techniques for researching ancestors of color – both pre- and post- Emancipation: free people of color, or enslaved. When possible, her presentations are fine -tuned to include information specific to the participants and/or location of her audiences.



# Using Funeral Programs to Inform Genealogy Research

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Funeral Programs are often rich with genealogical information. In this talk, the presenter will dissect the parts of commonly used funeral programs, and model how to extract important genealogical information and clues from these valuable documents.

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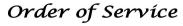
On January 7, 2017, Mr. Eddie Scott, Sr. heard the call of his name from the Lord Almighty coming to carry him home. The battle has been fought, the victory won. He had found his peaceful resting place with God.

Deacon Eddie was born August 30, 1944 to the late Coy and Everline Middleton Scott. He was a member of Rocky Spring Baptist Church in Laurens, SC, where he served faithfully as a Deacon. Eddie was employed at Reeves Brothers Trucking in Spartanburg, SC for 28 years and Walmart Distribution of Laurens, SC for 15 years. For many years Eddie enjoyed playing baseball and golf.

He was preceded in death by his brother Floyd 'Luke' Scott and his son Eddie Scott, Jr.

He leaves to cherish loving memories, his wife Rosa Nance Scott of the home; three sons, Bryant and Jerod Scott of Woodruff, SC, Eric Johnson of Greenville, SC; one daughter, Donna Scott of Laurens, SC; two sisters, Geneva Riser of Woodruff, SC and Leila Hughes of Spartanburg, SC; one brother, Jack (Ethel) Scott of Woodruff, SC; three brothers in law, John (Peggy) Nance, Willie (Jackie) Nance and J.B. Nance, all of Laurens, SC; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.





Processional	The Family
Musical Selection	Rocky Spring B.C. Mass Choir
Scriptures:	38
Old Testament	Rev. Loyd Wilkins
New Testament	Min. Juanita Richard
Prayer	Min. Juanita Richard
Remarks	Otis Booker, Life long friend
Musical Selection	Rocky Spring B.C. Mass Choir
Acknowledgements	Ashleigh McDowell
Solo	Ronald Browning
Poem	Eric Johnson
Selection	Rocky Spring B.C. All Male Choir
Words of Comfort	Rev. Wymond Wilkins
Closing Prayer	Rev. Derrick Scurry
Recessional	The Family

#### Interment

Rocky Spring Baptist Church Cemetery







**Deborah Ford** grew up in Hartsville, South Carolina where her parents instill faith, and hard work. I work several years as a Financial Business Banker. I

have a BA in Business Administration I serve on a non-profit as Vice Chair and board member One More Round Boxing Team Darlington, South Carolina.

I became interested in Genealogy because my mom wanted to know about her great grandfather. We had our DNA tested through Ancestry and that was my beginning in researching my family history. I have discovered new family members in North Carolina and around the Globe. This past year at my family reunion my family awarded me with a globe and told me to continue to discover new family members from all over the world. Over half of the family members that was in attendance were new to our family.

In my discoveries I found several Royal family members that lives on the continent of Africa. When I hear others say we came from royalty I have proof that this is the case. I am Igbo (Nigeria) and Ewe (Ghana) and the so many more. Discovering who we are and where we come from is the most rewarding thing. Using the tools available to you will allow you to break down the wall such as Gedmatch Genesis, My Heritage, Family Search so many more.



# North Carolina Chapters Black History

# **Genealogy Conference**

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#### Uploading Your DNA To Gedmatch Genesis

Beginner/Intermediate

The steps to upload you DNA to Gedmatch Genesis

**Gedmatch Genesis** is a free website where you can upload your raw DNA file and compare your DNA to that of people who have done DNA tests with many other companies.

#### Uploading Your DNA To Gedmatch Genesis

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Gedmatch Genesis.com

Why you might want to use Gedmatch Genesis

How to transfer your data to Gedmatch Genesis

The best Gedmatch Genesis tools for genealogical research

Evaluate shared segment information



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Using information from Gedmatch Genesis.com Identify additional cousins who have not tested at the company you tested with Understanding the difference between Gedmatch Genesis. Some testing companies update their V chip.

Tools improved on Gedmatch Genesis Uploading Your DNA To Gedmatch Genesis

Using Gedmatch Genesis for Genealogy One-to-many list One to one compare People who match one or both of 2 kits Understanding Location and Segments. Identifying common matches Understanding X-DNA Conclusion

#### Lecture references:

www.Gedmatch Genesis.com

www.Ancestry.com

www.familytreedna.com

www.23andme.com



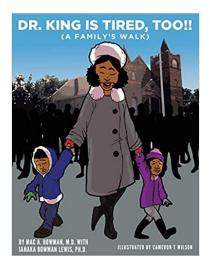
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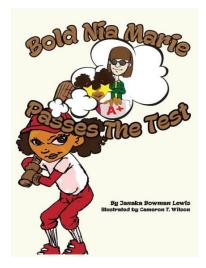
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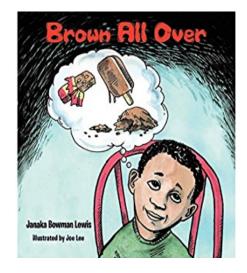
Charlotte; and was a prior English instructor at Spelman College. She was raised in Augusta, Georgia.

Dr. Lewis earned a Bachelor's Degree in English and African and African American Studies from Duke University, Magna Cum Laude. She also earned her M.A. and Ph. D. in English from Northwestern University.

She is the author of several book chapters and articles on 19th Century African American women's writing and material culture, three children's books *Brown All Over*, *Bold Nia Marie Passes the Test*, *Dr. King Is Tired*, *Too!!* and a monograph, Freedom Narratives of African American Women (McFarland 2017). Her current scholarship is on narratives of Black girlhood.









# Telling our Family Story

North Carolina Chapters

Beginning with my own family story in Georgia, the class discusses how we find influence in making stories out of family histories. We think about themes, ideas, how to start a story, who to talk to, and the form the story takes. I end with a reading of a book I published from my family's walk to hear Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in 1961.

In preparation, participants should:

- 1. Make a List of 2-3 family members,
- 2. Describe what people know about them
- 3. Note questions about them
- 4. Get ready to write!



**Tamara McKethan's** interest in family genealogy began as a child listening to her maternal grandfather and aunt recount

family history.

Later, the birth of her child, Janell, sparked a renewed interest in exploring and documenting the history of her family of origin and that of her husband, Herman. In 2015, Tamara and Herman began building a family tree on Ancestry and submitted to a DNA test. Since then, the McKethans have created a family tree with over 4,600 persons, numerous pictures, and other documents substantiating six generations of family history.

When she is not engaged in genealogy, Tamara is a university professor of nursing. She enjoys cooking, gardening, and collecting African art. The McKethans live in South Carolina.



**Dr. Paula Harrell** retired as Chair of the Department of Music at North Carolina Central University in 2010 where during her faculty tenure, she served as University Organist, University Choir accompanist, Music Education Coordinator, and

Coordinator of the Sacred Music program. She also taught piano, organ and handbells.

Harrell also serves as the church organist at the White Rock Baptist Church in Durham, NC where she directs the JuBellate Handbell Choir. Dr. Harrell's interest in genealogy began while pursuing the name of her great-great aunt who was sold by her slavemaster to purchase a Square Grand Piano. Harrell's mother, in her youth, worked for the descendants of the slaveholder. Her Aunt Bell, sister of the aunt that was sold, told Harrell's mother that she was sold for \$1000 to purchase the piano.

In 1973, the last daughter of the slaveholder, Mildred Connally passed and Harrell's mother wrote Mildred's only child, and asked for the piano. The piano was purchased and remains in Harrell's possession. Since Harrell is a pianist/organist, she feels a divine connection and destiny to solve this mystery. Her story was featured in the AAHGS March/April 2019 Newsletter and the Merrick Washington Magazine, Fall/Winter 2018 (Durham Colored Library, Inc.).

Harrell's mother did not remember the name of her great-aunt that was sold but she was a daughter of Amy Pulliam. The pursuit to discover the name of great-great-aunt Pulliam led her to find old family photographs she had never seen before. Dr. Harrell felt that these pictures must be preserved and shown to document her family history. Her genealogy scrapbooks/family books serve as coffee table books that promote family history. She does not consider herself an authority on Preservation but freely shares the information she has learned and compiled.



**Deena L. Porcaro Hill** Born in North Hollywood California, moved to Utah as a child and have lived in Utah most my life, except for a few moves to Northern California. I grew up in a large family with 11 Siblings, being the second to the oldest. I married young and after 43 years I am lucky to be with the same

wonderful man. I am blessed with 3 wonderful children and 11 amazing grandchildren.

I owned my own wedding coordinator business for 5 years and then went back to school to become a Certified Nurse Assistant. I was very lucky to work 16 years on the Mother/ Baby unit at Utah Valley Hospital, welcoming the new babies into the world. The last 5 years I have enjoyed retirement and helping people discover t heir family stories. I love aiding people in finding their biological families.

I enjoy family time, camping, genealogy and traveling. My husband and I have been to all 50 states and we have been to 14 countries. I have spent over 40 years researching family history for myself and others. I have organized several family history conferences and have coordinated with the University of Utah Black Mormon data base project. For the last14 years I have been teaching "Family Search" classes- teaching the in's and outs of using "Family Search".

4 years ago, thanks to Ancestry DNA, I was thrilled and surprised to find out I have African American blood, along with 85 relatives who also tested with ancestry. This began an amazing journey of discovery. I found that my 3" great grandfather had been a slave in Missouri. I learned that he was the child of a slave and a plantation owner's nephew. I discovered that his grand and great grandparents were slaves in Harnett Co. North Carolina.

This amazing discovery has lead me to visit North Carolina, where I have been able to connect with bot h, the black and the white sides of my family who had been unknown to me. What a joy this has been. I have been welcomed and loved by all and some very strong family bonds have been formed.



**Toni Carrier** is the Director of the Center for Family History. She has been a consultant to the museum since 2015. Prior to joining the museum's efforts, she was the Founding Director of <u>Lowcountry Africana</u>, a nonprofit research project and free website dedicated to

African American genealogy in the Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor. Ms. Carrier is the founder of the USF Africana Heritage Project and Co-founder of the website <u>Mapping the Freedmen's</u> <u>Bureau: An Interactive Online Finding Aid</u>. Ms. Carrier has served as a panelist on the <u>BlackProGen</u> <u>LIVE</u> Internet broadcast since 2016 and is a regular speaker at national genealogy conferences.

In the 16 years she has been working in and teaching African American genealogy in the Lowcountry, Ms. Carrier conducted research for the PBS series African American Lives II, researched the history of the Point of Pines slave dwelling on behalf of the Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History and Culture, and traced Michelle Obama's ancestry on behalf of the Obama for America campaign.

In 2012, Ms. Carrier was the Wood Family Fellow and Charisse R. Cecil Intern at Drayton Hall Plantation, where she conducted research on the post emancipation African American community at Drayton Hall. Ms. Carrier has conducted research for Michael Twitty's book The Cooking Gene and is currently conducting genealogy research for Dr. Edda Fields Black's forthcoming book 'Combee': Harriet Tubman, the Combahee River Raid, and the Gullah Geechee Transformation.

Ms. Carrier earned her Master's Degree in Applied Anthropology and a Bachelor's Degree in Anthropology from the University of South Florida.



**Todd Johnson** is a public historian and church musician who lives in Smithfield, NC. Most of his professional life has been devoted to Johnston and Wake Counties, where successive generations of his family have resided since the colonial period. He has channeled his two great loves of history

and music into a lifetime of service as a local historian, genealogist, church musician, and (more recently) as a music director for community theatre.

He has served as administrative head of two of Johnston County's premiere cultural institutions—the Johnston County Heritage Center and the Ava Gardner Museum—and collaborated with Wake County historian Elizabeth Reid Murray to produce a monumental work telling the story of North Carolina's capital county from Reconstruction through World War I. He is also passionate about historic preservation and is spearheading a movement to restore the only freedmen's schoolhouse known to remain in North Carolina.





**Debra Taylor Gonzalez** is a passionate genealogist. She has worked on her family's genealogy for over thirty years. As president of the Friends of Geer Cemetery, she has been instrumental in the reformation of the organization since 2019.

Debra has put together several histories for the people buried in the cemetery and created hands-on activities for events. She presented an entry level genealogy class for the Durham Parks and Recreation and Duke University students. She has made presentations to a local AAHGS chapter and regional workshop. Debra has presented Geer Cemetery biographies and genealogy speeches to Toastmaster chapters. As the Friends of Geer Cemetery president, she has made several presentations on the Geer Cemetery to various groups.

Debra is a member of AAHGS, NGS, Association of Professional Genealogist (National and NC Chapter), North Carolina Genealogical Society (previous webinar committee member), and National Genealogy Speakers Guild. She has attended: MAAGI, IGHR, and GRIP. She attends several workshops thought-out the year and online training.

Debra is a full-time technical writer for a software development company. She is a part-time ESL instructor at Durham Technical Community College. She has a M Ed from NCSU in adult education and BS from NCCU in mathematics.

# North Carolina Slave Narrative

Slave narratives of four African American Slaves from North Carolina.



Isaac Johnson was born February 12, 1855

James Isaac Turner born February 20, 1858

Nellie Smith born in 1856

Charity McAllister

*Migration Patterns:* "An Alternative for Locating African American Origins"

Lamar E. DeLoath is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.



DeLoatch Family / Black History ZOOM Workshop Tuesday, February, 9, 2021 7 pm

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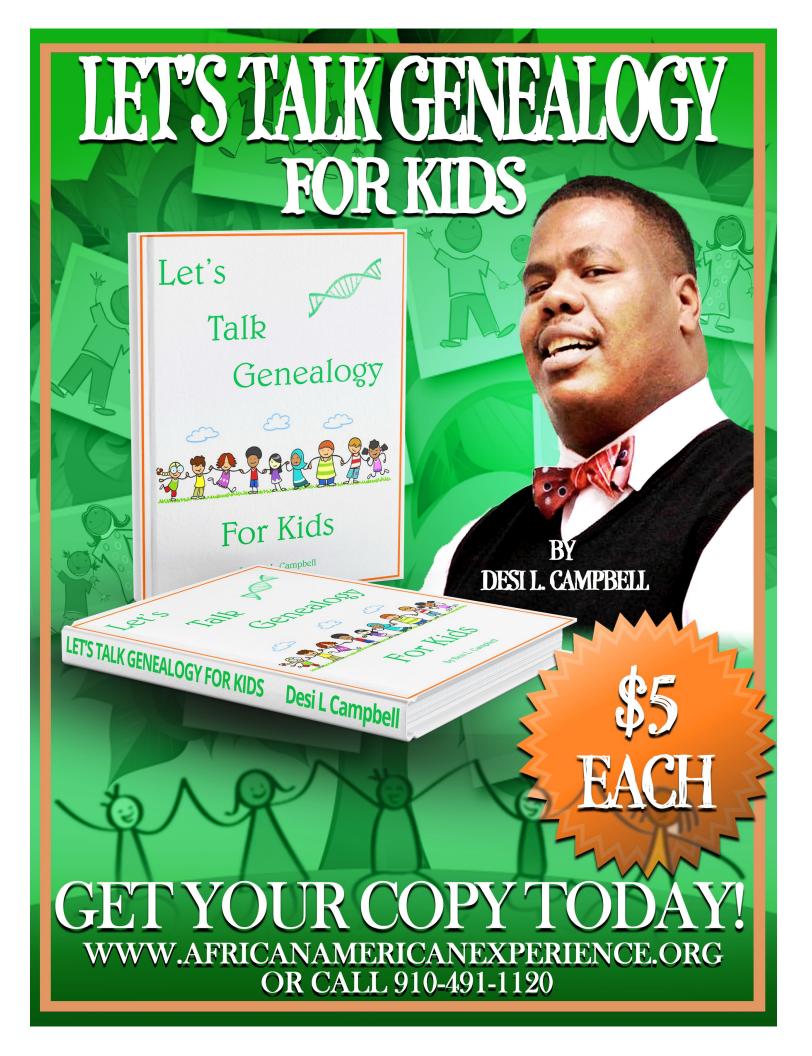
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