

Subject: Whitlock Family Association
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Hello,

I'm very new to starting genealogy research for my Whitlock side of the family. I saw very little relating to North Carolina other than the tax records. Can you give me any ideas of how I might go farther back in my line that I currently know?

I am descended from a William Whitlock born July 29, 1797, died August 3, 1846. He is buried in a family plot in what is now Yadkin County, NC (this was formerly Surry County) between Hunting Creek Quaker church and Windsor's Cross Roads. William married Lavis Johnson sometime in 1822. She was born May 26, 1804, in Yadkin Co., NC and died November 11, 1884.

This is as far back as I can go with certainty. The family records indicate that William's parents were James and Nancy Whitlock born before 1776 and seemed to have had 5 or 5 children.

I can tell you that William and Lavis had four children. (I am descended from James Baity Whitlock) :

1. Serena Elvira Whitlock b. 5/22/1826 d. 5/24/1905
2. John William Whitlock b. 8/21/1826 d. 3/5/ 1835
3. Rowland Hial Whitlock b. 1/11/1831 d. 2/16/ 1863
4. James Baity Whitlock b. 3/1/ 1833 d. 5/31/ 1914
(James Baity W. was a blacksmith and farmer)

The locations are somewhat confusing. Yadkin county was formerly Surry county, and the area that my Whitlocks lived in was very close to the Iredell county line so there is mention of that also in the records.

The Hunting Creek Meeting (Quaker) is located very close to what we think was the old Whitlock farm and is one of the oldest churches in the area. It is mentioned in the early tax records as a location landmark. I have no idea if our earliest ancestors belonged to this Meeting or not. As far back as anyone remembers the Whitlocks of that region were Baptist and went to Zion Baptist, just over into Iredell county.

I have wondered if our Whitlocks came from Virginia, but no one knows. It seems that the piedmont region of NC was unpopulated before 1750 by the Europeans and then only very sparsely. Around 1770 there seemed to be a large migration of settlers from Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Virginia. Many

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were Quakers and Moravians. Could my James and Nancy have come to what is now Hamptonville, NC during that migration?

My Stanley ancestors (Quakers at that time) came to the Piedmont (New Garden, now Greensboro) region of NC from Hanover county, Virginia in 1764. I noticed there is a Whitlock line living in Hanover county, Virginia today. Could it be possible that a Whitlock from this area came to NC. If not my James and Nancy, perhaps James' parents?

I would appreciate any help or pointers you could give me.

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