



Whiting-GLOBAL

RESEARCH UPDATE – March 2014

NOTE: This is a report on a research project¹ related to the Whiting ancestry that was funded by an anonymous donor and is being coordinated by Mark Whiting. If you would like to become involved or help support that project, please email Mark at: jasper3616@msn.com.

We live in an Exciting Time

We live in an exciting time – and it is especially exciting for those who are interested in finding their family roots. New records and sources not previously known are becoming available almost daily. New tools are being created and the old ones are evolving, making it ever easier to do research and to collaborate with others interested in our family tree. This has opened up the possibility of solving research problems that have been unresolved for decades, such as finding a link to the ancestors of immigrant ancestor William Whiting, born in England around 1600.

Research Project: finding the ancestors of William Whiting, born in England around 1600.

All evidence points to England as the origin of the Whiting surname. Documentation on the Whiting-GLOBAL website discusses the origin of the name and displays maps showing where Whiting's are located in the world: <http://www.whiting-global.org/origin-whiting-surname.html>.

Unfortunately, after decades of work no one has yet found the parents of the Whiting immigrant ancestor William Whiting (and wife Susannah, immigrants and founders of Connecticut Colony) who was born in England around 1600 and immigrated to Massachusetts in 1633. Because finding this missing link has been so elusive and yet is the key to connecting to the rest of the Whiting's in England, and because early English records are very complex to anyone without extensive training and experience, Price and Associates was engaged by an anonymous donor to try to find this link.

¹ Although Whiting-GLOBAL does not raise or manage funds for professional research we promote collaboration and the sharing of information related to our ancestry, including research funded by others, because of its value to the Whiting-GLOBAL community. This expresses our philosophy: since you and I share ancestors, why should we not share our data and work together to find and document them?

The research done by Price has been very thorough and is carefully documented and will be a solid basis for further research – unlike most of the existing Whiting pedigrees on popular online websites which have little or no documentation to support their claims.

Solid progress is being made

The fifth phase of this research project was recently completed and all five of the research reports can be accessed on the Whiting-GLOBAL website: www.whiting-global.org/research-studies.html. They have focused on the possibility that William may be connected to the Giles Whiting (1550 to 1627) Family of Northamptonshire England. The results of this research are in the process of being extracted and posted on Family Tree to be made available to anyone online. Price has made good progress and is on track to find William's parents, which will open up a treasure trove of connections to other Whiting families.

A strong Spirit has attended this work and has encouraged those who are using the results of the research to organize and prepare documentation for entry into Family Search.

You can help further this research

For more detail about how the research is being used, or if you would like to become involved and help support this project, please email Mark Whiting at: jasper3616@msn.com or call him at (801) 209-8638. Any help will be appreciated.