

WINDRUSH GENERATION FAMILY TRIBUTE: TRACING OUR CARIBBEAN HERITAGE



Getty Images: Empire Windrush arriving at Tilbury Docks

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Dedication

This Fellowship report is dedicated to my parents and the thousands of migrants like them from Commonwealth countries and the Caribbean in particular, who answered the call to migrate thousands of miles to help rebuild post-war Britain. Their strength, vision and fortitude enabled them to battle the day-to-day obstacles that they encountered on first arriving in the UK, and to not only make a significant economic contribution to their “mother country”, but to also bolster their churches and communities, enriching British society with an everlasting myriad and diverse tapestry of culture.

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Executive Summary

The aim of this Fellowship is to encourage the families of the Windrush generation in the UK to reconnect with their ancestral heritage in the Caribbean and provide the tools with which to do so. This Fellowship provides guidance notes and a database of genealogical, community and wider resources in Jamaica, Trinidad & Tobago, and Barbados to aid this process. Whilst my travels for this Fellowship focused on these islands, it is hoped that further research will be undertaken across other

Caribbean islands where migration to the UK occurred during this period including from Bermuda, British Guiana – now Guyana, St Lucia, Grenada and others.

In addition to outlining the processes available for ancestral research, additional resources in the countries visited are noted in the Annex to this Fellowship report to encourage the families of the Windrush generation to undertake personal visits where possible to reconnect with communities and to put their family history in context. This report is not intended to be a full academic guide to tracing your family heritage (although such guidance can be sought in the books referenced in the Bibliography) but to help start that process with some practical tips and some resources that will help Windrush families to bring their family history to life.

This report contains:

- Practical tips for collating information to help start your family heritage research
- A link to the passenger records to find information on your relatives who arrived in the UK by ship (comprising the vast majority of the Windrush generation)
- Guidance on current processes and resources to assist Windrush families in the UK tracing their family ancestry in Jamaica, Trinidad & Tobago and Barbados including some parish information

The report concludes with:

1. Recommendations to enable this information to be disseminated through organisations across the UK
2. Suggestions to facilitate the process for obtaining original records from the Caribbean through a collection point in the UK
3. Proposals for further research across Caribbean islands where family members migrated to the UK

1. Introduction

1.1 Background to the Windrush Fellowship

Seventy-seven years ago, the ship *HMT Empire Windrush* arrived in Tilbury Docks in Essex. On board were 492 migrants from the Caribbean, who disembarked on 22nd June 1948. Many of the migrants were veterans from the Second World War who had answered adverts to help rebuild Britain after the war. Whilst skilled in various professions, many were arriving from islands that had been badly hit by the 1944 hurricane and all hoped to improve their position and that of their families. The expression “Windrush generation” has been coined from that voyage and has come to symbolise Caribbean migrants to the UK between 1948 and 1973, (although two other ships with smaller passenger numbers the *SS Ormonde* and the *Almanzora* arrived in 1947¹).

Whilst the focus of this Fellowship is to provide guidance for families of the Windrush generation in the UK to trace, document, record and celebrate their family heritage, it would be amiss not to mention the Windrush Scandal that has impacted many of these families.

It is estimated that between 1948 and 1971 approximately 500,000 migrants from the Commonwealth migrated to Britain, many of whom were from the Caribbean². *“Commonwealth citizens had the right to travel to and settle in the United Kingdom with their dependants until the Commonwealth Immigrants Act 1962 was passed, and they were positively encouraged to do so in the post-war years to supplement the expanding labour market”*³. This right of abode for Commonwealth citizens to live and work in Britain was enshrined in the British Nationality Act 1948 which encapsulated a then liberal immigration policy by the UK towards its Commonwealth. The Act afforded the status of “Citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies” as the sole national citizenship of the United Kingdom and all of its colonies, with its accompanying rights.

In the decades that followed, the liberal immigration policy referred to above was replaced by legislation which eroded the right of abode and created a hostile immigration environment culminating in the Windrush Scandal which has cruelly impacted many of the Windrush families who migrated to the UK. The Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants (JCWI) explains:

“Because many of the Windrush generation arrived as children on their parents’ passports, and the Home Office destroyed thousands of landing cards and other records, many lacked the documentation to prove their right to remain in the UK. The Home Office also placed the burden of proof on individuals to prove their residency predated 1973. The Home Office demanded at least one official document from every year they had lived here. Attempting to find documents from decades ago created a huge, and in many cases, impossible burden on people who had done nothing wrong.

Falsely deemed as ‘illegal immigrants’ / ‘undocumented migrants’ they began to lose their access to housing, healthcare, bank accounts and driving licenses. Many were placed in immigration detention,

¹ [The forgotten migrant ships that came before Windrush in 1947](#) The Conversation – Dr Hannah Lowe 13 June 2023

² [Empire and citizenship - Caribbean migration - Post-war migration from Africa, the Caribbean and Asia - KS3 History - homework help for year 7, 8 and 9. - BBC Bitesize](#)

³ Passport Raids and Checks Britain’s internal immigration controls by Paul Gordon

prevented from travelling abroad and threatened with forcible removal, while others were deported to countries they hadn't seen since they were children.

Their harmful and unjust treatment provoked widespread condemnation of government's failings on the matter, with calls being made for radical reform of the Home Office and the UK's immigration policy. In response to these demands, then Home Secretary, Sajid Javid announced in May 2018 that the Home Office would commission a 'Windrush Lessons Learned Review'⁴.

Although The Windrush Lessons Learned Review has been published⁵ the injustice is far from over. It is still unclear how many people have been affected by the scandal and compensation payments remain largely outstanding. It is hoped that the recent appointment of the Reverend Clive Forster as the first Windrush Commissioner will help to deliver justice to those affected by this scandal.

1.2 Personal Background

As for many other Windrush generation families, my parents left skilled professions in Jamaica to migrate to the UK. My father travelled alone by ship, with my mother following. Their focus was on their church, family and community. Education was important to my parents as for many of the Windrush generation. They wanted to ensure that their children were well educated and went to university and they battled the day-to-day obstacles that they encountered with this aim in mind, which they achieved.

As the cost and distance of travel to Jamaica was prohibitive our wider family history was largely unknown to me, but it was a void that I hoped to fill one day. The processes and resources noted in this Fellowship have enabled me to map out a wider family tree, with some of my mother's family history now uncovered and going back to 1797.

As a project manager and independent researcher, my hope is that these resources assist readers to discover their ancestral heritage and build their own family tree. I recognise that this paper is limited to the processes, people and parishes in Jamaica, Barbados, and Trinidad and Tobago. My hope is to undertake further research to enable more of the Windrush Generation based in the UK, to re-connect with their family heritage across the Caribbean. Please reach out should these independent research services be of interest to you⁶.

2. Practical tips for collating information to help you with your family heritage research

1. Create a central depository for documents or notes as you gather information. I opened a What's App Chat with family members (with everyone being careful to keep this chat solely for relevant information or comments).
2. Sit down with elderly relatives and friends to gather as much information as possible about your family – start with parents, grandparents, and their siblings (aunts and uncles) as well as those who may have passed early. Ask about the family history, e.g. did any family members

⁴ [Windrush Scandal Explained - Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants](#)

⁵ [Windrush lessons learned review: independent review by Wendy Williams](#)

⁶ Email windrushancestry@gmail.com

travel or work in other islands such as Cuba, or Panama and be sure to keep the notes accessible (perhaps in the What's App Chat). Go through family photographs identifying relatives and write names on the back. **Full names of relatives, relevant dates and parish information at birth or death will be crucial information for your family history search.** Pay special attention to all pet names/ nick names/ maiden names, birthdays and dates of birth, christening, marriages, and deaths (even if approximate as these may be useful guides later on). Ask about life in the parish, churches or associations attended over the years, to try to immerse yourself in family culture and establish family connections.

3. Record any information that may be at the front of the family bible or in other family documents or keepsakes or take a photo.
4. Take a close look at family records and documents including birth, marriage and death certificates (scrutinising every entry), as well as wills and funeral programmes. In my case, despite handling my parents birth certificates on numerous occasions to submit various applications, it wasn't until several years later that I noticed additional information and names right before my eyes!
5. If you are interested in knowing about the arrival of relatives in the UK, take a look at the ship passenger lists at www.nationalarchives.gov.uk at [Search results: ship passenger list | The National Archives](#). The online records include Incoming passenger lists (1878 - 1960); Outgoing passenger lists (1890 - 1960), as well as Certificates of alien arrivals and returns and papers (1810 - 1869) and Alien entry books (1794 - 1921). You can also order copy documents from the National Archives, utilise their search facility or visit them in Kew.
6. Enjoy the process, be patient and you will be rewarded. You will find some information about your family in minutes, whilst other information may take weeks or months. Some of the names or dates that you are given may be incomplete, inaccurate or not fully correspond with the official records so at times you will need to be a detective. All of the information that you gather above will help you, so cherish those moments with elderly relatives and friends as they take you back in time.

3. Findings

Guidance and resources to assist Windrush families in the UK to trace their family ancestry in Jamaica, Trinidad & Tobago, and Barbados are provided in the sections that follow. Taking into account that each reader will have varying time and money at their disposal for this purpose, the options available range from conducting searches in person to paying a third party to do so. The accompanying schedules include additional resources to assist with your searches. The final Annex also provides contextual country information that may be useful to enable you to build a picture of your ancestral roots. The options comprise:

1. Government websites and processes for requesting certified copy certificates or information so that you can start to build your own family tree (bearing in mind that in the absence of correct names, relevant dates, and parish information, you may not be able to utilise this process until you resolve any gaps)
2. Available local resources (generally chargeable) to assist you conduct your own research (perhaps finding information as you require it or hit a stumbling block); and

3. Chargeable resources that you can retain who will conduct research at your request subject to payment of agreed fees and expenses

Please note that references to resources and prices in this paper are correct as at October 2024.

3.1 Guidance and resources in Jamaica



Source: <https://adamsprintablemap.net/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/jamaica-map-parishes-and-capitals-states-of-america-map-2-scaled.jpeg>

Option 1 – Jamaican Government Websites and Processes

Applications for certified copies of birth, adoption, marriage and death certificates in Jamaica are made to the Registrar General's Department (RGD). The main RGD office for these requests is located in Spanish Town, just outside the capital city of Kingston, although applications can be requested in person from other RGD's throughout the island. Applications may be submitted in person or online at [Office of the Registrar-General](#). A summary of the requirements for these applications is provided below, together with the current price list. Jamaica recently underwent a major digitisation of records programme, so substantial improvements were made to the number of digital records available for searching and retrieval,

Requirements for Applications in Jamaica

RGD advises applicants to have the following information ready to complete an application for a certified copy of the relevant document:

BIRTH APPLICATION FORM
Full and Correct Name of Child
Child's Date of Birth
Birth Entry Number
Child's Sex: Male or Female
Place of Birth: Hospital Name or Home Address
Parish and District of Birth and Registration
Mother's Name
Father's Name

ADOPTION APPLICATION FORM

Full and Correct Name of Child
Child's Date of Birth
Adoption Registration Number
Child's Sex: Male or Female
Place of Birth: Hospital Name or Home Address
Parish and District of Birth and Registration
Mother's Name
Father's Name

MARRIAGE APPLICATION FORM
Place of Marriage
Bride and Groom's Name
Date of Marriage
Marriage Officer's Name

DEATH APPLICATION FORM
Name of deceased
Sex of Deceased: Male or Female
Date of Death
Date of Registration
Death Entry Number
Cause of Death
Place, Parish and District of Death and Registration

Summary of RGD Jamaica Price List

Note: Price of conversion from JMD to GDP has been calculated at a rate of 1JMD equals 0.0047 pounds sterling, i.e. nearly 5 pence. Correct as at October 2024

Type of Service	Cost in JMD	Cost in GBP £
Same Day Service	7500	35.25
Next Day Service	6000	28.2
Express (3-4 Working Days) Service		
Birth/ Death/ Marriage	4000	18.8
Addition of Father's Particulars/ Adoption/ Registration	5500	25.85
Late Entry of Name/ Correction of Errors	8500	39.95
Late Registration	12000	56.4
No impediment	10000	47
Seven to Ten (7-10 Working Days) Service		

Birth/ Death/ Marriage	2500	11.75
Addition of Father's Particulars/ Adoption/ Registration	3500	16.45
Late Entry of Name/ Correction of Errors	6500	30.55
Late Registration	8500	39.95
No impediment	8500	39.95
Regular (4-6 Weeks) Service		
Birth/ Death/ Marriage	1500	7.05
Addition of Father's Particulars/ Adoption/ Registration	1500	7.05
Late Entry of Name/ Correction of Errors	4500	21.15
Late Registration	6000	28.2
No impediment	7500	35.25
Search service		
	250	1.175
Additional copies – each	500	2.35

Please keep in mind that if submitting an application online, you will need to also pay for delivery charges, estimated at £60 to £90, or (USD \$80 - \$120) depending on the destination. For information, the cost of sending a small set of documents to the UK for a recent application, was quoted as £60. As an alternative you may wish to ask a friend or relative in Jamaica to take delivery or to collect the documents for you, but this would need to be agreed with RGD.

Option 2- Local Resources in Jamaica to Assist with ancestry research

1. Jamaican Archives and Records Department (JARD)
The Jamaica Archives Unit (JAU) at JARD houses various records and indexes including Church records, slavery inventories, records and returns of enslaved people, journals of the Assembly of Jamaica, baptism, marriage and burial records as well as some documentation related to Jamaicans who left the island during the Windrush period. JAU re-opened on 17th June 2024. However, you should contact them before visiting in person at 27 King Street, Spanish Town, St Catherine. jarchives@jard.gov.jm, tel 001 876-984-2581 or 001 876-984-5001. [Jamaica Archives and Records Department | Bridge to the Future - Government of Jamaica](#)

JARD may be able to conduct a preliminary search for free. There are charges for more extensive searches including those noted below, and a full list of their Schedule of Fees as at October 2024 appears in Schedule 1.

Jamaica Archives and Records Department Research Fees

Research	Cost in JMD	Cost in GBP £	Cost in USD \$
For an hour	2000	30	50
Baptismal Certificates	2000	30	50

2. Registrar General's Department (RGD)
RGD also provides a facility whereby searches may be conducted in person at their Spanish Town office, with a researcher working aside you. This may be useful if for example you are

trying to locate a particular record. The current charges are JMD \$2000 per hour, equating to about £9.40 per hour. Their contact information is:

information@rgd.gov.jm.

www.rgd.gov.jm

001 (876) 619-1260, 001 (876) 749-0550, ext 6115/6124

Option 3 – Chargeable Genealogical researchers in Jamaica

1. Dr Suzanne Francis Brown is an experienced historian, researcher and museum curator in Jamaica, who has also appeared in various episodes of “Who do you think you are?” Contactable at sfbjamaica@gmail.com or on LinkedIn.
2. RGD OuttaMany Research Service. The main contact information is: Registrar General’s Department, Twickenham Park, Spanish Town, St Catherine, Genealogical Research Unit, Tel 001 749-0550, 001 619-1260 ext 6115, 6124, genealogy@rgd.gov.jm or Michelle.williams@rgd.gov.jm. The What’s App chat contact number for text only is 001 (876) 570-1225 or 001 (876)570-1205.

RGD Genealogical Research Service Cost of Service

Note: Price of conversion from JMD to GDP has been calculated at a rate of 1JMD equals 0.0047 pounds sterling

* A minimum of three (3) search hours is required

Type of Service	Cost in JMD	Cost in GBP £	Cost in USD \$
Per hour if done by RGD*	1500	7.05	15
Per hour if done by genealogists and historians*	2000	9.4	20
Per Family Tree	2000	9.4	20
Per authenticated copy of entries located for birth, death and marriage records	500	2.35	5

Submit online applications at [Genealogical Application Form | Registrar General's Department](#). Applications may also be submitted in person and current prices for applications are contained in Schedule 1 below. However, please be patient utilising the OuttaMany Research Service as the timeframes for the receipt of research information may be variable.



Figure 1 - Jamaica Archives and Records Department, Spanish Town



Figure 2 - Emancipation Park, Kingston



Figure 3 - Bronze Statute - Redemption Song, Emancipation Park



Figure 4 - National Heroes - Emancipation Park - Nanny of the Maroons



Figure 5 - National Heroes - Emancipation Park - George William Gordon



Figure 6 - National Heroes - Emancipation Park - Marcus Mosiah Garvey



Figure 7 - National Heroes - Emancipation Park - Norman Washington Manley



Figure 8 - National Heroes - Emancipation Park - Sir William Alexander Bustamante



Figure 9 - Jamaica National Pledge Statue, Emancipation Park, Kingston



Figure 10 - Old Kings House, Spanish Town



Figure 11 - Sam Sharpe Square, downtown Montego Bay



Figure 12 - Appleton Estates, St. Elizabeth - oldest rum distillery in Jamaica



Figure 13 - Usain Bolt- Bolt of Bolts statute Montego Bay by Vita Diedel Kloeber



Figure 14 - YS Falls, St Elizabeth



Figure 15 - Port Antonio Coastline



Figure 16 - View of Port Antonio coastline from Gee Jam Hotel

3.2 Guidance and Resources in Trinidad & Tobago



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Option 1 – Trinidad & Tobago Government Websites and Processes

Applications for Civil Registry Forms such as certified copies of birth, adoption, marriage and death certificates in Trinidad & Tobago (TT) are also made to the RGD, being part of The Office of the Attorney General and Ministry of Legal Affairs [Registrar General Civil Registry – Office of The Attorney General and Ministry of Legal Affairs](#). Applications for certified copy documents may be submitted in person or on line at [Vitalware AFS](#).

In person applications are made at:

Trinidad

Ministry of the Attorney General and Legal Affairs (AGLA) Tower
Corner London and Richmond Streets, Port of Spain, Trinidad

Tel: 001 (868) 223-2452

Opening hours: 8:00 am to 4:15 pm, Monday to Thursday and 8:00 am to 4:00 pm on Fridays, with cashiers closing at 3:00 pm daily

Tobago

Registrar General's Department

Caroline building No2, #11 Hamilton Street, Scarborough, Tobago

Tel. 001 (868) 639-3210/1330

Fax. 001 (868) 639-2505

Opening hours: 8:30 am to 3:30 pm, Monday to Friday, except public holidays.

To apply online, the Registrar General's services can be accessed at:

<https://rgd.legalaffairs.gov.tt/ttAFSClient/type>

Requirements for Applications – Trinidad

To apply for any certificate of a vital event (eg birth, adoption, marriage, death) the following is required:

- A valid visa credit card / visa debit card
- Details of the event for which the application is being made

A summary of the requirements for the most common certificates are as follows:

BIRTH APPLICATION FORM
Given name of child as it appears on birth record
Date of birth of child
Given name of mother
Current surname of mother
Maiden surname of mother

MARRIAGE APPLICATION FORM
Name of Bride
Name of Groom
Place of Marriage
Date of Marriage

DEATH APPLICATION FORM
Name of deceased
Date of death
Place of death

Summary of RGD Price List Trinidad & Tobago

Note: Price of conversion from TTD to GDP has been calculated at a rate of 1 TTD equals 0.11 pounds sterling ie up. Information is correct as at October 2024.

Type of Service	Cost in TTD	Cost in GBP £
Cost per certificate	25	2.75

Convenience fee - for one certificate and registered post	3.18	0.35
Delivery via registered post within Trinidad and Tobago	25	2.75
Overseas delivery costs will vary depending on delivery destination		

As for Jamaica, please keep in mind that if submitting an application online, you will need to also pay for delivery charges to the destination, or agree with RGD that the document is collected by an authorised person. For information, for a recent application the delivery charges by post to the UK were estimated at approximately £75 i.e. (666.89 TTD plus 8.09 TTD convenience fee). It also may be possible to apply for certificates at the Trinidad and Tobago High Commission in London.

Option 2- Local Resources in Trinidad and Tobago to assist with ancestry research

National Archives of Trinidad and Tobago (National Archives)

The National Archives houses permanent records and archives of the Government as well as historical records of national significance. These documents were previously kept at the Parliament building called the Red House in Port of Spain but unfortunately a fire in 1903 destroyed many documents. The National Archives has a wide collection of historical records including a Registry of Slaves⁷, Indian/ Chinese Indentureship records and newspapers, to name a few. The death notices (obituaries) can be a very useful resource for ancestral research. The National Archives has produced a very useful booklet called “Tracing your Ancestral Roots in Trinidad & Tobago – An Introductory Guide”, [Introductory Guide: Tracing Your Ancestral Roots | National Archives of Trinidad and Tobago](#).

Mailing Address:

P.O.Box 763 Port of Spain Trinidad and Tobago West Indies

Visiting Address:

105 St. Vincent Street Port of Spain Trinidad and Tobago West Indies

⁷ “This is a collection of records pertaining to the slave registry which was established under the 1812 Order in Council, the first in the British West Indies, to combat illicit transportation of slaves following the Abolition of the Slave Trade in 1807. Plantation owners and owners of unattached or personal slaves were obligated to submit annual returns of slaves who were bought, sold, inherited or moved between islands. The Slave Registers list the names and families of slaves working on various estates, by the islands’ districts. Bound volumes of slave registers for Tobago are currently available at the National Archives while copies of Trinidad slave registers are available mainly on microfilm. This collection has been inscribed on UNESCO’s Memory of the World Register (Registry of Slaves of the British Caribbean 1817-1834) as documentary heritage of world significance and outstanding universal value, along with similar records from Bahamas, Belize, Dominica, Jamaica, St Kitts, and the United Kingdom. Other records related to slavery kept by the National Archives include the Colonial Office Reports of the Protector of Slaves in Trinidad, and Slave Claims, copies of which are also available at the National Archives in the UK”.

Temporary Opening Hours (Reference Desk):

Monday-Thursday 8.30 am-12.00 noon, Friday 8.30 am-12:00 noon

Telephone:

Office: 001-868-623-2874

Government Archivist

Telephone/Fax 001-868-625-2689

Manager, Records Centre

Telephone/Fax: 001-868-623-3372

E-mail: enquiries@archives.gov.tt

Website: <http://www.natt.gov.tt>

Trinidad and Tobago National Library and Information System Authority (NALIS))

NALIS has a varied collection of books as well as a digital collection which can provide useful contextual information about life, towns and villages in Trinidad and Tobago. The collection includes some slave records, port records and East Indian estate records. A librarian service is available online and in person:

Visiting Address:

23 Abercromby Street Port of Spain Trinidad and Tobago West Indies

Telephone:

001 (868) 623-9673, 001 (868) 624-1130

E-mail: nalis@nalis.gov.tt

Website: <http://www.nalis.gov.tt>

Option 3 – Chargeable Genealogical researchers for Trinidad & Tobago

- Independent researcher – Ann Dardaine

In 2016, Ann was contacted by Wall to Wall Media, a company based in the UK, who produce the series “Who Do You Think You Are”. They needed a genealogist resident in Trinidad to assist with researching the Trinidadian ancestors of Liz Bonin. In 2017, Wall to Wall Media contacted her again to research the Trinidadian family of actor Noel Clarke and in 2019 that of actress Naomie Harris.

Ann has kindly provided a Summary of Information on Ancestry Search Fees and requirements, which is contained in Schedule 2. To contact Ann Dardaine for further details of her services please email ancestryandt@gmail.com.

- Tobago Museum and Conservation Society – Call/ WhatsApp Gabriele – 001 (868) 715 5465.



Figure 17 - National Library of Trinidad and Tobago, Port of Spain



Figure 18 - National Archives, Port of Spain, Trinidad



Figure 19 - The Red House - State Parliament, Port of Spain



Figure 20- Queen's Royal College, One of the Magnificent Seven buildings bordering Queens Park Savannah, Trinidad



Figure 21 - Maracas Beach - most popular beach in Trinidad



Figure 22 - View over Castara Bay, Tobago

3.3 Guidance and resources in Barbados



Source: [barbados-political-map-max.jpg \(742x737\)](#)

Option 1 – Barbados Government Websites and Processes

Applications for certified copies of birth, adoption, marriage and death certificates in Barbados can be made online at [Application Forms | Barbados Judicial System](#) or in person at

The Registrar, Registration Department,
Supreme Court Complex,
White Park Road,
St. Michael,
BARBADOS.

Tel: 001 (246) 535 9700

Fax: 001 (246).426 2405]

email: registrarsupremecourt@barbados.gov.bb

A summary of the requirements for the most common certificates are as follows and the current application forms and guidance notes are reproduced in Schedule 3:

Requirements for Applications in Barbados

APPLICATION FOR BIRTH CERTIFICATE
Applicant's Name and Address
Relationship to Person named in the Certificate, reason for requesting the certificate and number of certificates required
Full and Correct Name of Child
Child's Date of Birth*
National Registration No.
Place of Birth
Place of Baptism
Father's Name
Mother's Name
* If not known state a two-year search you require to be undertaken (eg 1990-1991)

APPLICATION FOR MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE
Applicant's Name and Address
Relationship to Person named in the Certificate, reason for requesting the certificate and number of certificates required
Details of Marriage Certificate Required Full name of Husband and Wife
Date of Marriage*
Place of Marriage
National Registration No. - Husband
National Registration No. - Wife
* If not known state a two-year search you require to be undertaken (eg 1990-1991)

APPLICATION FOR DEATH CERTIFICATE
Applicant's Name and Address

Relationship to Person named in the Certificate, reason for requesting the certificate, number of certificates required and cause of death
Name of Deceased
Date of Death*
Deceased National Registration No.
Place of Death
* If not known state a two-year search you require to be undertaken (eg 1990-1991)

Summary of Registration Department, Barbados - Price List

Note: Price of conversion from BBD to GBP has been calculated at a rate of 1BBD equals 0.36 pounds sterling. Information is correct as at October 2024

Type of Service	Cost in BD	Cost in GBP £
Birth certificate for persons 60 years and over	1	0.36
Birth certificate for persons less than 60 years	5	1.8
Marriage Certificates for Nationals*	10	3.6
Marriage Certificates for Non Nationals*	20	7.2
Death Certificate	5	1.8
Cause of Death Certificate	10	3.6
* In cases where the relevant authorities of a foreign government require an Apostille to be affixed to the certificate as proof of authenticity, there is an additional fee of BDS\$50.00.	50	18

For overseas applicants the Barbados Government website provides:

Completed application forms may also be mailed to the Registration Department and should be accompanied by a Money Order for the relevant processing fee as well as return postage. Money Orders should be made out to the Registrar of the Supreme Court. Persons opting for this method of application should forward a return address.

Applications must be completed in full and should be mailed to:

The Registrar of the Supreme Court
Registration Department,
Supreme Court Complex,
Whitepark Road
St. Michael.
BARBADOS.

Option 2- Local Resources in Barbados to assist with ancestry research

Barbados Department of Archives

Department of Archives [GOV.BB](http://gov.bb)

The Department of Archives role is to ensure organizational efficiency and accountability, identify, collect, process and preserve, public and private records of Barbados that are of permanent and enduring legal, cultural and historical value and to make information from them available within legal limits and so support the understanding of Barbadian life.

Ms. Ingrid Thompson
Chief Archivist Ag.
Phone: 1(246) 535-0050
Email: ingrid.cumberbatch@barbados.gov.bb
Black Rock
St. James
Barbados, W.I.

PBX: 1(246) 535-0090
Phone: 1 (246) 424-1270
Phone: 1 (246) 425-5150
Fax: 1 (246) 425-5911
Email: bda@caribsurf.com
Email: archives@sunbeach.net

The Department of Archives has allowed a limited amount of its resources to be photographed or digitally recorded. The most important of these are the parish records of births, marriages and burials. These are now available for free on Family Search. You can either [search for an individual](#) and see if there is an image attached to the record or you can [search through the images](#) yourself.

Records that can be found at the Archives include:

- Baptism Records – 1637 to 1930
- Marriage Records – 1643 to 1930
- Burial Records – 1643 to 1930
- Probate Records (Wills) – 1647 to 1959
- Deed Records – 1636 to 1949
- Powers of Attorney – [series RB7 – Index RB8]

Option 3 – Chargeable Genealogical researchers in Barbados

Barbados Museum and Historical Society

As well as being an incredible historical site to visit, the Barbados Museum and Historical Society has a team of librarians, researchers and trained team members to assist with personal or academic research. They invite interested family-tree seekers to join the Barbados Genealogy Group and may also be able to assist with genealogy research. For further information on services and fees please contact them at:

library@barbmuse.org.bb

St Ann's Garrison, St Michael, Barbados 001 (246) 538-0201 or 001 (246) 427-0201



Figure 23 - Barbados Museum & Historical Society, Bridgetown



Figure 24 - Barbados (St. Ann's) Garrison, south of Bridge Town



Figure 25 - Barbados Museum - Barbados Co-op Cotton Factory Ltd artifacts



Figure 26 - Dept. of Archives, Black Rock



Figure 27 - Bathsheba Beach on the Atlantic rugged east coastline

4. Conclusions and Recommendations

4.1 The Churchill Fellowship afforded me with the opportunity to review and record the processes currently in place in Jamaica, Trinidad & Tobago, and Barbados for obtaining documents and information that will enable families of the Windrush generation in the UK to start to trace their family history, and to suggest resources that will help to provide context for that ancestral heritage.

The current processes outlined above are understandably multi layered, and not always straightforward, and require a step-by-step approach, paying attention to the specific requirements in place in the relevant country. However, by doing so, and contacting the named resources it is possible to build one's family tree and to have copies of key documents for a family depository.

To assist Windrush families in the UK tracing their family history, this paper will initially be disseminated through the following organisation:

- Croydon Supplementary Education Project (CSEP), email – info@csep.org.uk, Tel 020 8686 7865
- Details of programmes with additional organisations will be added as they arise

4.2 It is clear that in the context of families in the UK tracing their ancestral heritage, some of the processes can be costly and time consuming. Some improvements have already been made with the advent of increased digitisation of records across the region. It is hoped that further digitisation initiatives will be adopted to further improve this process. The cost of sending documents from the relevant country to the UK is noted as being of particular concern for Windrush families, with estimates averaging at around £60 per shipment. Discussions are currently underway to try to forge improvements in this delivery process and any updates will be communicated to the organisations disseminating this paper, noted in the paragraph 4.1 above.

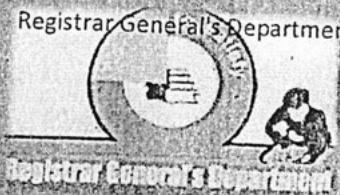
4.3 Whilst this Churchill Fellowship focused on the islands of Jamaica, Trinidad & Tobago and Barbados, it is hoped that further research can be conducted on the other countries from which the Windrush generation migrated during this period including Bermuda, British Guiana – now Guyana, St Lucia and Grenada. The contribution of the Windrush Generation from all across the Caribbean is acknowledged and appreciated.

Schedules

Schedule 1 – Jamaica

Registrar General Price List as at October 2024

Genealogical Research Service Information and Application Form



Price List

Same Day Service

\$7500.00

Next Day Service

\$6000.00

Express (3-4 working Days) Service

Birth/Death/Marriage

~~\$4000.00~~

Addition of Father's Particulars/Adoption/Re-Registration

\$5500.00

Late Entry of Name/Correction of Errors

\$8500.00

Late Registration

\$12000.00

No Impediment

\$10000.00

Seven to Ten (7-10 working Days) Service

Birth/Death/Marriage

~~\$2500.00~~

Addition of Father's Particulars/Adoption/Re-Registration

\$3500.00

Late Entry of Name/Correction of Errors

\$6500.00

Late Registration

\$8500.00

No Impediment

\$8500.00

Regular (4 - 6 Weeks) Service

Birth/Death/Marriage

~~\$1500.00~~

Addition of Father's Particulars/Adoption/Re-Registration

\$1500.00

Late Entry of Name/Correction of Errors

\$4500.00

Late Registration

\$6000.00

No Impediment

\$7500.00

Search Service: \$250.00

Additional Copies: \$500.00 each

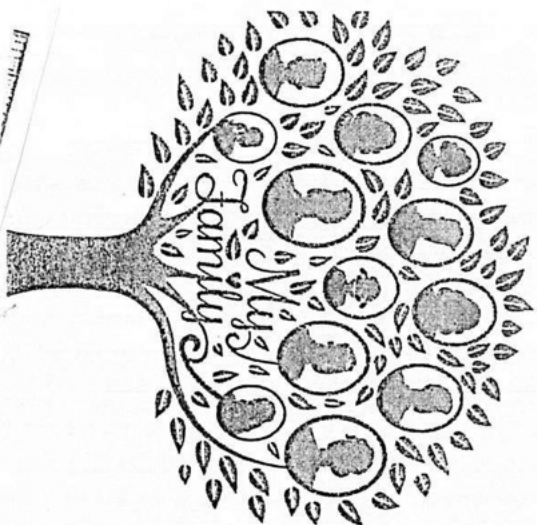


Genealogical Research Service

We can reveal your family's history by conducting genealogical research utilizing the repository of vital events registry of reports of birth, death, marriage, burial, baptismal records, deeds and wills dating back to 1661.

Why do a Genealogical Research?

- ▷ To identify new family members
- ▷ To settle estate matters
- ▷ To uncover family history
- ▷ To discover ancestral cause of death
- ▷ To assist with court cases and investigative matters
- ▷ To research and report for naturalization by decent



Who can use this service?

- o Professional researchers including Genealogists and Historians
- o Any interested individuals including students

How to Apply:

- o Complete the RGD application form in branch or online
- o Pay the relevant fee

After the research is completed, you will receive:

- o Details of findings or Researcher's notes
- o A list of entries located

Enhance your package with:

- o Customized Family Tree
- o A Calendar of Events
- o Genealogical Certificate
- o Authenticated copies of vital records and deeds

Cost of Service:

- o JM\$1500/USD\$15.00 per hour if done by RGD
- o JM\$2000/USD\$20.00 per hour if done by genealogists and historians
- A minimum of three (3) search hours is required*
- o JM\$2,000/ USD\$20.00 per Family Tree
- o JM\$500.00/ USD\$5.00 per authenticated copy of entries located for birth, death and marriage records





BRANCHES ISLANDWIDE

HEAD OFFICE

Twickenham Park
St. Catherine

ST. ANN

5 Windsor Road
St. Ann's Bay

ST. CATHERINE

Shop #1-2
15 West Trade Way
Big Bay Plaza, Portmore

ST. ELIZABETH

Shops 17 & 18 Supreme Plaza
Lots 2 and 3 Institution Drive
Santa Cruz

KINGSTON

58 Duke Street

PORTLAND

19 West Palm Ave
Port Antonio

MANCHESTER

Shop #G14
24 Hargreaves Ave
Mandeville

WESTMORELAND

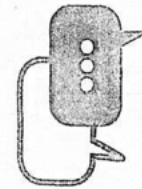
7 1/2 Lewis Street
Savanna-La-Mar

ST. JAMES

22 1/2 Humber Ave
Natural Mystic Plaza
Montego Bay

CLARENDON

10 -12 Bryant's Crescent
May Pen



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DISCOVER YOUR ROOTS..

...DISCOVER YOU

Discover your family origin

Discover new family members

Discover your heritage





SCHEDULE OF FEES

• RESEARCH

	JS	US\$	£
For an hour	\$2,000	\$50	£30
Baptismal Certificates	\$2,000	-	-

• DIGITAL IMAGERY

	JS	US\$	£
PER IMAGE			
Commercial (@ 600 dpi)	\$3,000	\$60	£45
Non-Commercial (non-distribution / exhibition) (@ 300 dpi)	\$1,500	\$40	£30
Personal Camera	\$1,000	-	-
High School Students	\$ 100	-	-
Microfilm Scan @ 300 dpi	\$ 500	-	-
Microfilm Scan @ 600 dpi	\$1,000	-	-
Scanning Full Microfilm Roll	Full cost of microfilming		
Digitising Full Volumes	Full cost of microfilming + 25% of total invoice		
Rewritable CD	\$ 300	-	-

*Any request for digital images at a higher resolution than 300dpi will be required to pay double the rate for 300dpi.

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Schedule 2 – Trinidad & Tobago

Ancestry search fees & requirements for Trinidad and Tobago by Ann Dardaine

Ancestry Search Fees for Trinidad & Tobago

- Registrar General Certified copy of Birth Certificate (Short Form Certificate, issued without a Pin Number) – US\$25 per Certificate
- Registrar General Certified copy of Marriage Certificate – US\$25 per Certificate
- Registrar General Certified copy of Death Certificate – US\$25 per Certificate
- Cost for written BMD search requests submitted to the Registrar General - US\$15 for a three year search in one district only. Search results are usually obtained in six weeks.
- Registrar General Certified copy of a Deed for Land/House – US\$40 and takes approximately 10 working days.
- Registrar General digital/electronic copy of a Deed for Land/House – US\$30 and takes one working day.
- Certified copy of a Will or Letters of Administration from Probate Registry at the High Court or the Registrar General - US\$40 each and takes about 10 working days.
- Digital/electronic copy of a Will or Letters of Administration from the Registrar General - US\$30 each and takes one working day.
- Digital/electronic copy of a Will or Letters of Administration from Probate Registry at the High Court - US\$30 each. Estimated time 10 working days.
- Cost for Apostille Stamp from the Registrar General's Office – US\$30 per document.
- Cost for Catholic Church Certificates are US\$15 each
- Cost for Anglican Church Certificates are US\$20 each
- Cost for Registrar General Certificate of Fact – US\$50. This takes 6 weeks from the day it is requested
- Cost to search BMD Records, Wills and Land Records at the Registrar General, Church Records, National Archives Records, Land Assessment Rolls, Newspapers etc
Cost per hour is US\$30

Ann Dardaine

Civil Registry Department – Registrar General
Requirements to submit requests for BMD Certificates & Searches

- **Birth Certificates:** You need to know the name of the child's mother, the district where the child was born and the exact date when the birth occurred. If all the info is accurate then the birth certificate will be issued in about 5 to 10 working days
- **Birth Entry Searches:** You need to know the name of the child's mother, the district where the child was born and an approximate year when the birth occurred within a three-year span. It takes about six weeks to obtain the search results and using the information I can then order the certificate for you
- **Marriage Certificates:** You need to know the name of the groom, the maiden name of the bride, the exact date of the marriage and the district where the marriage occurred. The Marriage Indexes are listed alphabetically each for the bride and groom, so not knowing the district is not important but helpful. You also need to state whether the marriage was Civil, Hindu, Muslim, Orisha or In Extremis. If all the info is accurate then the marriage certificate will be issued in about 5 to 10 working days
- **Marriage Entry Searches:** You need to know the name of the groom, the maiden name of the bride, the approximate date of the marriage within a three-year span and the district where the marriage occurred, not knowing the district is not important but helpful. It takes about six weeks to obtain the search results and using the information I can then order the certificate for you.
- **Death Certificates:** You need to know the name of the deceased, the district where the death occurred and the exact date of death. If all the info is accurate then the death certificate will be issued in about 5 to 10 working days.
- **Death Entry Searches:** You need to know the name of the deceased, the district where the death occurred and an approximate date of death within a three-year period. It takes about six weeks to obtain the search results and using the information I can then order the certificate for you

Schedule 3 – Barbados

Guidance Notes from the Department of Archives with points to note when visiting the Department of Archives, Black Rock, St James, Barbados

List of historic churches in Barbados



DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES
Black Rock, St. James, Barbados
Tel. (246) 535-0090
Fax (246) 425-5911
E-mail:
archives@barbados.gov.bb

Information for Researchers

Archives Act Cap 19B Sec 5 (2) (d), 14

Opening Hours

8.30 am - 4.15pm each week day (except public holidays)

For Those Unable to Visit, enquires may be submitted by post, fax, telephone or E-mail. Research enquires will be answered within **5** calendar days, or we will let you know if there is a delay. **Search Room staff are not available to conduct to in-depth research for clients but can provide details of private research agents. All negotiations are between client and the agent.** Provision of a list of agents is **NOT** an endorsement by the Department of an agent's standard of work.

Search Room Services

Staff will tell you if we hold the records and suggest appropriate search strategies, or advise you of possible alternative sources.

Staff will provide assistance to researchers wishing to access records by providing advice, guidance and training, if required, in:

- ♦ Research procedures
- ♦ Use of finding aids
- ♦ Use of microfilm readers and printers

If you have details of the records you wish to see, you can order them in advance of your visit by fax, post, telephone or E-mail. This does not include population records.

Guides to help Identify Archives

Various aids have been prepared to assist researchers when they visit the search room. The Class Lists are a summary list of some series held at the Barbados of Archives. This list is available in the search room in hardcopy. Some records are now in a database on the Search Room PC.

Search Room Rules

1. All users must complete and sign the **Researcher Registration Form**.
2. Researchers must sign the Reference Room Visitor Log when entering the Search Room.
3. **Researchers are prohibited from carrying boxes, briefcases, book-bags, satchels, valises, backpacks, purses, folders, coats, newspapers, personal books or large containers into the research rooms.**
4. Personal property not essential to research projects must be placed on **cubicles provided**. *Please keep money and valuables on you – preferably on your person – in a small hand sized container. Lockers are also provided. Users are free to bring a key and padlock for additional security when using lockers.*
5. **ONLY PENCILS**, (no pens) **NOTE PAPER OR NOTE PADS** may be used in the Reference Room. **NO ADHESIVE POST-IT NOTES** can be used to mark original documents. **Pencils or notepads should not be used as markers either. Ask staff to provide acid free paper markers especially when leaving papers or volumes unattended on the desk e.g. washroom and snack breaks.**
6. **NO FOOD OR BEVERAGES** are allowed in the Reference Room. **NO SMOKING** or other tobacco use is permitted in the Archives.
7. Please keep **NOISE TO AN ABSOLUTE MINIMUM** to avoid disturbing other researchers.
8. Permission must be obtained before using portable personal computers or other electronic equipment. *The Department of Archives does not accept liability for any damage to electronic equipment used through our electrical sources.*
9. **Photography is not permitted in the Search Room. This includes the use of digital cameras to photograph documents.**
10. You may use the reading room PC with permission from the Officer in Charge of the Search Room to access some archival resources as well as the Internet, **provided these activities are related to your research.**
11. **The use of hand-held scanners and mobile/cell phones is prohibited.**
12. Materials are to be used only in the Reference Room.

13. Procedures for Requesting Records, Books and Periodicals:-

- a. Ask at the Archives' Keepers' Desk for the correct Request Slips :-

REQUEST/ISSUE FOR RECORDS or REQUEST FOR BOOKS
PERIODICALS

- b. Fill in the required information. Include Call Numbers of Book, Serial or Pamphlet. Class and or Volume Numbers and Dates of Records.
- c. Readers will be issued with five documents or one volume or file at any one time. Further items will only be issued after these items have been returned to the issues desk.
- d. Before leaving, please check that you have returned all items used and that the original/top copy Request slip has been stamped "cancelled" and returned to you. Please retain this slip as evidence of your having returned the document.
14. Materials should be handled with care and kept flat on the table, when possible. They must not be leaned on, written on, folded, or otherwise handled in anyway likely to damage them.
15. Staff will provide book stands where their use will cause no harm to the records i.e. provided the volume is strong enough to stand upright or at an angle on the stand without sagging of pages.
16. Please only use one folder of materials at a time. An acid free slip may be used to mark its place in the box [*this would apply to items like Legislative Debates*]. Items are not to be removed from their folder except with the guidance of the Archives staff. Keep the records in their present arrangement; loose pages will stay in order if turned like pages in a book.
17. All stack areas of the Archives are closed to users. Except for those materials on the bookcases in the Reference Room, all materials will be retrieved by the Archives staff. No materials retrieved after 4:00 pm.
18. When handling photography, researchers must wear white cotton gloves provided by the Archives Department.

19. Photocopying is permitted if the item is unavailable elsewhere and reproduction is in accordance with donor agreements and copyright restrictions, unless the item is fragile, exceptionally valuable, or too large. **All photocopying is done by the Archives staff.**

20. Staff will not tell third parties about the topic of your research or the records you have used without your permission.

21. **Microfilm use, Microfilm Reader use**

Original records will not normally be made available when microfilm copies are available.

Use of microfilm readers is on a first-come, first-served basis. When other researchers are waiting to use a microfilm reader, a one hour limit may be placed on using a reader. During periods of heavy use, researches may be sign a waiting list for the use of a microfilm reader.

University of the West Indies students and associate students should request interlibrary loan for film through the U.W.I. Main library. The Library will be permitted to borrow this film for their use for 2 weeks at the maximum.

22. The copyright law of Barbados governs the making of photocopies and other reproductions of copyrighted materials. Under certain conditions specified in the law, copies may be provided for individual researchers' private study. The copies are provided for the individual's personal use and may not be further reproduced, published, broadcast, displayed, offered for sale, transferred to another individual or deposited in another institution without written permission from the **Barbados Department of Archives and the copyright holder.**

23. References to archives and records which have been used in research should always be included in finished works. Use **Barbados Archives** and identification of item by class number where provided and title. Page or folio numbers should always be used when available.

24. Reasonable accommodation will be made to ensure that all persons will have access to the Archives' holdings. Please let the Archives staff know how we can assist you.

25. The **Barbados Department of Archives** wishes to provide access to its holdings that is consistent with good scholarship, productive research, and archival preservation. Your comments and suggestions are welcome.



Historic Churches

BARBADOS HISTORIC CHURCHES

In Barbados there are approx. (60) **Historic Churches**, most of them over 100 years with some dating back to the 1600s.

During the 1600's, because Barbados' only accepted religion was Protestant it resulted in all the Parish Churches being Anglican. By 1629 they were (6) six Parish Churches on the island.

After some years all (11) parishes had its own parish church, each having its own unique architectural style and history.

The first parish church is said to be between St James Parish Church and St Michael Parish Church.

FIRST (6) SIX PARISH CHURCHES IN BARBADOS

- The St Michael Parish Church (Now St Michael's Cathedral)
- The St James Parish Church
- The St Peter Parish Church
- The St Lucy Parish Church
- The St Thomas Parish church (Now St Andrew's Church)
- The Christ Church Parish Church

Below you will find Historic Churches of Barbados, inclusive of a list of Parish Churches on the island.

- ☒ **Christ Church Parish Church**
 One of the original six parish churches.
- ☒ **St John's Parish Church**
 One of the original six parish churches.
- ☒ **St Lucy's Parish Church**
 One of the original six parish churches.
- ☒ **St Mary's Anglican Church**
 The second oldest consecrated ground on the island
- ☒ **St Matthias Anglican Church**
 This church was used as a Chapel for the military forces of the British Garrison
- ☒ **St Michael's Cathedral**
 Built in the 1600s and features an impressive Tower with a peal of Bells and a number of monumental inscriptions.
- ☒ **St Peter's Parish Church**
 One of the original six parish churches
- ☒ **St Thomas Parish Church**

One of the original six parish churches.



St. James Parish Church

One of the original six parish churches. This is said to be the oldest church on the island

Points to note when visiting the Registry Supreme Court Complex in person at White Park Road, St Michael, Barbados

The Registry is accessed via a separate entrance located to the right of the main entrance of the Supreme Court.

1. You must cover your shoulders and the top of your arms in order to enter the building so please remember to take a jacket or sweater with you.
2. Formal ID will be required in support of every application for a certificate so you must also take ID with you eg passport or Barbados ID (if applicable).
3. Firstly, go to the Applications Window to request the relevant application form, e.g. a birth, death or marriage certificate. Please have your ID available for inspection. Sample application forms in use at the Registry are reproduced in this Schedule for information but are also available online at [Application Forms | Barbados Judicial System](#) – Application for Birth Certificate (Form A64:127); Application for Death Certificate (Form A64:129); Application for Marriage Certificate (Form A64:130).
4. Complete the application form following the instructions on the back of the form and take the completed form to the Cashier's Desk, together with the appropriate payment (amounts shown are in Barbados dollars, BD). The cashier will provide you with an official receipt upon payment:
 - Birth Certificate BD\$5 each for a person under 60 years old, BD \$1 each for a person 60 years old and older;
 - Death Certificate BD \$5 each; Cause of Death Certificate BD \$10 each;
 - Marriage Certificates for Nationals – BD\$10 each; Marriage Certificates for Non -Nationals \$20 each
5. Return to the Applications desk with the Official Receipt provided by the Cashier, together with the relevant application form. The application desk will advise you of the appropriate time period for collection of the certificate. As of January 2020, this was about one week.
6. Collection. Please note that certificates obtained via this procedure will need to be collected in person. Please attend with the appropriate receipt.
7. Once you have firm dates for your relevant ancestor from the certificates, use this as a basis to check the baptism records to find more information, eg search

the named parents on a birth certificate and work backwards. The Record Search area at the Registry is open from 8.30am to 11.30am.

8. Attend the wills/deeds counter and ask for the baptism books that correspond with the years you wish to check. The original records go from surnames A to Z across the parishes. Please note that the names are not listed in order so eg work through all the C's to find "Clarke's" checking against the parish if you have this.
9. Once you find a possible entry (eg page 6, vol 124 for the year 1897, parish St Michael) provide this to the registry staff. They can then provide you with a copy of the baptism certificate associated with this reference which should show the named parents. Please check the cost of these certificates when applying.

Repeat the process building your family tree!

Appendix- Additional Resources and Points of Interest

Name	Resource	General information
Knutsford Express	Coach and courier service	Daily travel across Jamaica can be booked at https://www.knutsfordexpress.com , email info@knutsford express.com or tel 001 876 971 1822
LudTours	Taxi Service, Ludlow Mclean 001 (876) 781 3337	Reliable taxi service to Government offices and for travel across Jamaica
Institute of Jamaica	Exhibitions and museum	10-16 East Street, Kingston, Jamaica, Tel 001 876 922 0620, Email info@instituteofjamaica.org.jm. Virtual exhibitions include The Sugar Exhibition - The Bittersweet Taste of Past & Present.
National Library of Jamaica	Library services	12 East Street, Kingston, Jamaica. Tel 001 876 967-1526/ 2516/2494/2496
Jamaica National Heritage Trust	Jamaican Heritage information	Extensive information regarding the heritage of Jamaica including a breakdown of heritage sites and heroes by parish, www.jnht.com, 79 Duke Street, Kingston, Jamaica, Tel 001 876 922 1288
Lists of Jamaican Churches	http://www.jnht.com/churches.php https://www.mcaj.org/list-of-churches/ https://www.anglicandioceseja.org/?page_id=34 https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Jamaica_Church_Records	Jamaica is recognised in the Guinness Book of Records as having the most churches per square mile (over 1600 per square mile). Churches may be able to provide information regarding family members so do try to identify which church or churches your family has attended over the years.
Jamaica: Local History & Genealogy Resource Guide by the Library of Congress	https://guides.loc.gov/jamaica-local-history-genealogy/vital-records	Compiled by reference specialists at the Library of Congress, this guide identifies key print and online resources for pursuing family history as well as parish and regional historical research, for Jamaica
Devon House	Heritage Site - 26 Hope Road, Kingston 10, www.devonhouseja.com , Tel 001 (876) 929 6602	Devon House Mansion is the architectural dream of Jamaica's first black millionaire George Stiebel.
Montego Bay Cultural Centre	www.montegobayculturalcentre.org	Montego Bay Cultural Centre includes National Museum West and National Gallery West
Popular Attractions in Jamaica	Bob Marley Museum; Blue Hole & Dunns River Falls; Rose Hall Great House (and various other historical Great Houses) Black River & Appleton Estates; YS Falls; Negril & Ricks Café;	
Tobago Churches Contact list (kindly provided by Ms Thomas at RGD - Tobago)	Methodist - (868) 639 2476 Roman Catholic (Scarborough) - (868) 639 2136 Roman Catholic (Delaforde) - (868) 660 4762 Anglican - (868) 622 7387 Pentecostal - (868) 639 3734 Moravian - (868) 639 5503	
Museums in Port of Spain Trinidad	Rotunda Gallery, The Red House, St Vincent St; Central Bank Museum - St Vincent St; Trinidad and Tobago Carnival Museum - 81 Charlotte St; National Museum and Art Gallery, Frederick St, Parliamentary Museum - 6 Sackville Street, Port of Spain	

The National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago	The National Trust organises various cultural and heritage tours at https://nationaltrust.tt	
Popular attractions in Trinidad	Includes Queens Park Savannah, Maracas Beach, Caroni Bird Sanctuary, Pitch Lake, Sewdass Sadhu Shiva Mandir Temple in the Sea	
Tobago Historical Museum	Fort King George, Tobago	
Tobago Trust - Tobago Museum	"Officer's Quarters", Fort King George, Scarborough, Tobago, Tel 001 (868) 639 3970; tobagomuseum@gmail.com	
Popular attractions in Tobago	Buccoo Reef, Nylon Pool, Argyle Falls, Castara Bay, Speyside Water Wheel, Pidgeon Point Beach. Tours available from Daryl's Tours 001 (868) 386 2188; dtours.daryl@gmail.com	
Barbados Museum & Historical Society	The Barbados Museum & Historic Society	
Popular Attractions in Barbados	Bridgetown & the Garrison, Clifton Hall Great House, Sunbury Great House, St Johns Church, Oistins Town and Fish fry, Bathsheba, Animal Flower Cave, Foursquare Rum Distillery, St Nicholas Abbey. Williams Tours, tours@williamstoursbarbados.com	
Gallery of Caribbean Art	Northern Business Centre, Queen Street, Speightstown, St Peter, https://artgallerycaribbean.com/	

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Of Halls, Hills and Holes: Place Names of Barbados	Woodville Marshall, With Patricia Stafford, Karl Watson, Tara Innis	978-976-95396-4-8
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