

WILL MADE 16 APRIL 1770 , DUCK CREEK HUNDRED, DELAWARE  
PROBATED 24 AUGUST 1773  
ARCH. VOL. A12, PAGE 220, REG OF WILLS LIBER L FOLIO 140:

DAVID, JAMES, BACHELOR. HEIRS: SISTER RACHEL ELBOURN; NEPHEW JAMES ELBOURN, SON OF SISTER RACHEL; BRO JOHN DAVID; NIECE MARY DAVID, DAU OF BRO JOHN. EXCE'R BRO JOHN DAVID. WITS: BENJAMIN JONES, RICHARD MORRIS, MARY JONES.

SO WE HAVE:

UNKNOWN ELBOURN

B. ABT 1740, DE

M.

RACHEL DAVID

B. 1734, DOVER, KENT, DE

DAU OF BENJAMIN DAVID & MARGARET

SON: JAMES ELBOURN, B. ABT 1763

NOTE:

THE DATES I HAVE CAME FROM TREES ON ANCESTRY. I HAVE TALKED TO SOME OF THE OWNERS, BUT NO ONE SEEMS TO KNOW THE FIRST NAME OF MR. ELBOURN, ALTHOUGH SOME OF THEM SEEM TO BE WELL VERSED IN THE HISTORY OF THE DAVID FAMILY AND OF FOXHALL PLANTATION.

I FOUND A HISTORY OF MAPLE DALE COUNTRY CLUB, ORIGINALLY KNOWN AS "VIRGIN CHOICE" WHEN JANE BARTLETT TOOK IT UP IN 1681. THE ORIGINAL DEED, DATED 1684 AND SIGNED BY WILLIAM PENN, ASSIGNED "FOXHALL IN THE COUNTY OF KENT" TO JOHN REYNOLDS, FOR A YEARLY STIPEND OF ONE BUSHEL OF WHEAT PER 100 ACRES OF LAND. IN 1707, OWEN DAVID (DAFFYD) OF WALES CAME TO AMERICA, MARRIED MARY REES, AND ENTERED INTO A JOINT VENTURE WITH HIS FATHER-IN-LAW, JOHN REES. ON 10 SEPT 1708, THE TWO PURCHASED THE 510-ACRE FOXHALL TRACT FOR 50 POUNDS. ON 20 NOV 1776 OWEN CONVEYED A PORTION OF FOXHALL TO SON BENJAMIN. THIS IS WHERE BENJAMIN'S SON, CHARLES DAVID (1746-1793) BUILT HIS HOME AND IS ALSO THE LOCATION OF THE MAPLE DALE COUNTRY CLUB.

# Descendants of Owen David

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## First Generation

1. **Owen David** was born in 1683 in Maentwrog, Merionethshire, Wales, died on 11 Nov 1767 in Fox Hall Plantation, Kent, DE, USA at age 84, and was buried in David Family Cemetery, Fox Hall Plantation, Kent, DE. Another name for Owen was Daffydd.

General Notes: Taken from the David Family Scrapbook Vol 4 by Bruce W. David

Owen David was born in Wales about the year 1685, The part of Wales from which he came or the names of his parents are not known. He arrived in America prior to 1708, and purchased a plantation called Fox Hall near Dover, Delaware. He died 11 Nov 1767. His wife Mary Rees came from England and died 7 Oct 1766. Both were buried on the Fox Hall plantation. They had four children born at Fox Hall - David, Benjamin, a daughter, and Enoch.

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Owen married **Mary Rees**, daughter of **John Rees** and **Unknown**, in 1709 in Dover, Kent, DE, USA. Mary was born in 1685 in England and died on 17 Oct 1766 in Fox Hall Plantation, Kent, DE, USA at age 81.

Marriage Notes: US and International Marriage Records:

Owen David

Born Wales, 1683

Spouse: Mary Rees

Children from this marriage were:

- + 2 M i. **Benjamin David** was born in 1710 in Duck Creek Hundred, Kent, DE, USA, died on 29 Aug 1750 in Duck Creek Hundred, Kent, DE, USA at age 40, and was buried in David Family Cemetery, Fox Hall Plantation, Kent, DE.
- 3 F ii. **Daughter David**.  
Daughter married **Reuben Walker**.
- + 4 M iii. **Rev. Enoch David** was born on 6 Mar 1715 in Fox Hall Plantation, Kent, DE, USA and died on 28 Nov 1793 in Fayette City, Fayette, PA, USA at age 78.
- 5 F iv. **Rachel David**.  
Rachel married **Benjamin Wallace**.

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## Second Generation (Children)

**2. Benjamin David** (*Owen*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1710 in Duck Creek Hundred, Kent, DE, USA, died on 29 Aug 1750 in Duck Creek Hundred, Kent, DE, USA at age 40, and was buried in David Family Cemetery, Fox Hall Plantation, Kent, DE.

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Benjamin married **Margaret** in 1730 in Kent, DE, USA. Margaret was born in 1714 in Fox Hall Plantation, Kent, DE, USA and died in 1767 in Dover, Kent, DE, USA at age 53.

Children from this marriage were:

6 M i. **Joshua David** was born in 1732 in Dover, Kent, DE, USA and died in 1766 in Kent, DE, USA at age 34.

Joshua married **Tabitha**. Tabitha was born about 1732 in DE, USA. They had no children.

7 M ii. **James David** was born in 1734 in Fox Hall Plantation, Kent, DE, USA and died in 1773 at age 39.

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Probate 24 Aug 1773

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8 F iii. **Sarah David** was born in 1737 in Dover, Kent, DE, USA.

+ 9 M iv. **John David** was born in 1740 in Fox Hall Plantation, Kent, DE, USA and died in Aug 1783 at age 43.

+ 10 F v. **Rachel David** was born in 1743 in Dover, Kent, DE, USA.

+ 11 M vi. **Charles David** was born on 25 Feb 1746 in Foxhall Plantation, Kent, DE, USA, died on 2 Jul 1793 in Duck Creek Hundred, Kent, DE, USA at age 47, and was buried in David Family Cemetery, Fox Hall Plantation, Kent, DE.

**4. Rev. Enoch David** (*Owen*<sup>1</sup>) was born on 6 Mar 1715 in Fox Hall Plantation, Kent, DE, USA and died on 28 Nov 1793 in Fayette City, Fayette, PA, USA at age 78.

General Notes: Enoch David, the younger son of Owen David and his wife Mary, was born March 6, 1715, on the Fox Hall Plantation near Dover, Delaware. As a young man he was apprenticed to learn the tailor's trade in Philadelphia, a profession at which he continued to work and earn his livelihood. His principal distinction in life was accomplished as an ordained Seventh Day Baptist minister, serving congregations in Delaware, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania, while maintaining his later home in Philadelphia. He lived at Middletown and at Newark in Delaware, and in 1760, moved to Philadelphia. Here he lived for ten years on the northwest corner of Fourth and Commerce Streets, then moved to 708 First Street in Southwark. Both residences had been built by Daneil Harrison, the father of his fourth wife, Elizabeth Harrison. When the British occupied Philadelphia in 1777, Enoch David, because of his avowed advocacy of American freedom, was obliged to abandon his home. He and his younger children found shelter with friends and relatives in Chester County, and in New Jersey. Following the unfortunate death of his eldest son, Reverend Ebenezer David, in the army hospital at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, Enoch journeyed to that town, where he signed the Oath of Allegiance on May 19, 1778. Enoch David had four wives, each of who preceded him in death; the first three leaving him with the care of an infant. He had a totla of twelve children, six of who did not survive him. Before his death, he took a long journey westward to visit some of his children in Fayette County, Pennsylvania. While

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preaching in the open air at a church gathering he took pneumonia and died, Nov. 28, 1793. He was buried next to the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Woodbridgetown, Pennsylvania. Reverend Enoch David was first married about 1745 to Catalina Van Bebber at Bohemia, Maryland. She was the daughter of James Van Bebber and Anna La reax. She died Oct. 30, 1751 as a result of childbirth. They had four children, probably all born at Middletown, Delaware. He was married the second time in 1752, to Rebecca Ayres. She was born Dec. 17, 1735 in New Jersey, a daughter of Caleb Ayres and Rebecca Berryman. She died in 1757, and was buried in the Richard Sparks Burying Ground on Fifth Street, Philadelphia. In 1894 she was removed to Salem, New Jersey. They had two children. David was married the third time about 1758. The name of this wife has not been found. She died in 1759. They had only one child, born at Newark, Delaware. Reverend Enoch David was married the fourth time, Oct. 22, 1760, at Philadelphia, to Elizabeth Harrison. She was born Jan. 12, 1729 at Philadelphia, a daughter of Daniel Harrison and Judith Ward. Elizabeth died April 30, 1772 in the David family home at Fourth and Commerce Streets. She was buried in the Richard Sparks Burying Ground on Fifth Street which in 1894 was removed to Salem, New Jersey. They had five children, all born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. (Bruce W. David)

From the Sons of the American Revolution Application of Bruce W. David:  
Rev. Enoch David

An ordained minister of the Seventh Day New Baptist Church, whose home was in Philadelphia from 1760 until his death in 1793, by precept and persuasion and by great personal sacrifice, contributed much to the cause of American independence. He signed the Oath of Allegiance on May 19, 1778 at Lancaster, PA during the time that he and his family of younger children were forced to abandon their home during the British occupation of Philadelphia. His eldest and most beloved son, Rev, Ebenezer David, who had enlisted as a chaplain under Washington at Cambridge at the beginning of the revolution suffered a tragic death March 19, 1778 at the height of his career, in the hospital at Lancaster, to which he had recently been transferred as a medical officer from camp at Valley Forge. His second son, Zebediah David, enlisted at the age of seventeen and served as a private in the Militia and the Pennsylvania Line, and saw action on the Delaware and the Schuylkill Rivers, in Germantown, Princeton, and Fort Mercer. His eldest daughter's husband, Isaac Davis, served many tours of duty throughout the Revolution as a private in the Jersey Blues. His youngest son, Owen David, my great-grandfather, had not yet reached his teens when Cornwallis surrendered.

Taken from the David Family Scrapbook Vol 4, by Bruce W. David, "This ancient tombstone, erected to the memory of Rev. Enoch David, stands in the burying ground of the old Seventh-Day Baptist Church (now the Woodbridge Union Church) at Woodbridgetown, two miles southeast of Smithfield, Fayette County, PA. At this spot he preached his last sermon in the chill, open air a few days before his death."

IN MEMORY OF THE REVD ENOCH DAVID

WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE

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Enoch married **Catalina Van Bebber**, daughter of **James Van Bebber** and **Anna La Reux**, about 1745 in Bohemia, MD, USA. Catalina was born about 1715 in Bohemia, Sussex, DE, USA and died on 30 Oct 1751 about age 36.

Children from this marriage were:

12 F i. **Mary Ann David** was born on 19 Jun 1745 in Middletown, New Castle, DE, USA.

Mary married **Isaac Davis** on 23 Sep 1767 in NJ, USA. Isaac was born on 19 Jun 1746 in Middletown, New Castle,

- DE, USA.
- 13 F ii. **Rachel David** was born on 6 Feb 1747 in Middletown, New Castle, DE, USA.
- 14 M iii. **James David** was born on 27 Sep 1749 in Middletown, New Castle, DE, USA.
- 15 M iv. **Ebenezer David** was born on 3 Oct 1751 in Middletown, New Castle, DE, USA.

Enoch next married **Rebecca Ayres**, daughter of **Caleb Ayres** and **Rebecca Berryman**, about 1752 in New Castle, DE. USA. Rebecca was born on 17 Dec 1735 in NJ, USA and died in 1757 at age 22.

Children from this marriage were:

- 16 F i. **Susanna David** was born on 9 Jan 1755 in New Castle, DE. USA.
- 17 M ii. **Eliashib David** was born on 21 Sep 1757 in New Castle, DE. USA.

Enoch next married **Elizabeth Abraham** in 1754 in NJ, USA. Elizabeth was born on 4 Jan 1727 in New Castle, DE. USA and died in 1759 at age 32.

The child from this marriage was:

- 18 M i. **Zebediah David** was born on 15 Aug 1759 in New Castle, DE. USA.

Enoch next married **Elizabeth Harrison**, daughter of **Daniel Harrison** and **Judith Ward**, on 22 Oct 1760 in Philadelphia, Delaware, PA, USA. Elizabeth was born on 21 Jan 1729 in Philadelphia, Delaware, PA, USA, was christened on 6 Feb 1730, died on 30 Apr 1772 in Philadelphia, Delaware, PA, USA at age 43, and was buried in Salem, Salem, NJ, USA.

Marriage Notes: US and International Marriage Records:

Elizabeth Harrison  
Born 1729, PA  
Enoch David  
Born 1715, DE  
Married 1760, PA

Children from this marriage were:

- 19 F i. **Elizabeth David** was born on 4 Aug 1763 in Philadelphia, Delaware, PA, USA.
- 20 F ii. **Sarah David** was born in 1765 in Philadelphia, Delaware, PA, USA.
- 21 M iii. **Daniel George Whitfield David** was born on 10 Feb 1768 in Philadelphia, Delaware, PA, USA and died on 7 May 1861 in Fayette, PA, USA at age 93.

General Notes: Family Data Collection Births:

Daniel David  
Enoch David & Elizabeth Harrison  
10 Feb 1768  
Philadelphia, PA

Family Data Collection Individual Records:

Daniel George Whitfield David  
Spouse Elizabeth Wells  
Parents Enoch David & Elizabeth Harrison  
Born 10 Feb 1768, Philadelphia, PA

1840 Census - Wharton, Fayette, Pennsylvania

Daniel W G David

3 M <5

1 M 10-14

1 M 70-79

1 F 20-29

1 F 30-39

1 F 40-49

1850 Census - Wharton, Fayette, Pennsylvania

Daniel GW David 84, Pemelory 50, Levis 70

1860 Census - Wharton, Fayette, Pennsylvania

Daniel David 92, Penellissia 64

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Daniel married **Elizabeth Wells**, daughter of **William Wells** and **Rebecca Oliver**. Elizabeth was born in 1776 in Fayette, PA, USA and died on 20 Aug 1833 in Wharton Township, Woodbridgetown, PA, USA at age 57.

Marriage Notes: US and International Marriage Records:

Daniel George David

Born 1768 PA

Elizabeth Wells

- + 22 M iv. **Rev. Owen David** was born on 2 Sep 1769 in Philadelphia, Delaware, PA, USA and died on 28 Mar 1837 in Pike Run Twp, Washington, PA, USA at age 67.
- 23 F v. **Eleanor David** was born on 16 Feb 1772 in Philadelphia, Delaware, PA, USA.

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## Third Generation (Grandchildren)

9. **John David** (*Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, Owen<sup>1</sup>*) was born in 1740 in Fox Hall Plantation, Kent, DE, USA and died in Aug 1783 at age 43.

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John married **Ann**. Ann was born about 1740 in DE, USA.

The child from this marriage was:

- 24 F i. **Mary David** was born about 1760 in DE, USA.

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10. **Rachel David** (*Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, Owen<sup>1</sup>*) was born in 1743 in Dover, Kent, DE, USA.

General Notes: Rachel's brother James David:

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Rachel married **Unknown Elburn**. Unknown was born in 1740 in DE, USA. Another name for Unknown was Elbourn.

The child from this marriage was:

- 25 M i. **James Elburn** was born about 1763.

General Notes: Birthdate from person with private tree on ancestry (garwood571). He did not know the Elbourn who married Rachel David first name. JEF 4\_25\_14

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Charles married **Elizabeth Spruance**, daughter of **John Spruance** and **Mary Barrett Worrell**, about 1770. Elizabeth was born in 1753 in Duck Creek Hundred, Kent, DE, USA and died in 1793 in Duck Creek Hundred, Kent, DE, USA at age 40.

Children from this marriage were:

- 26 M i. **John David**.

John married **Unknown**.

- 27 M ii. **Presley David** was born in 1772 in Duck Creek Hundred, Kent, DE, USA.

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- 28 M iii. **Benjamin David** was born in 1774 in Duck Creek Hundred, Kent, DE, USA and died on 12 Apr 1817 at age 43.
- 29 F iv. **Jemima David** was born in 1776 in Northhampton Plantation, Kent, DE, USA and died on 26 Feb 1805 at age 29.
- 30 M v. **Spruance David** was born in 1778 in Duck Creek Hundred, Kent, DE, USA and died in 1845 at age 67.

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Owen married **Margaret John**, daughter of **Jacob John** and **Mary Bowen**, on 1 Oct 1795 in Little Cove, Bedford, PA, USA. Margaret was born on 2 Aug 1777 in Bedford, PA, USA and died in May 1802 in Cussewago Twp, Crawford, PA, USA at age 24.

Children from this marriage were:

- 31 M i. **Jonathan German David**.

Jonathan married **Mary Wallace Wheeler**.

Jonathan next married **Catherine Gans**.

Jonathan next married **Mary Grubb**.

- 32 F ii. **Mary David** was born in 1798 in Fayette, PA, USA and died in 1848 in Greene, PA, USA at age 50.

Mary married **Ephraim Hanna**. Ephraim was born in 1788.

- 33 F iii. **Sarah David** was born on 17 Aug 1800 in Fayette, PA, USA and died on 7 Mar 1866 in Shelby, OH, USA at age 65.

Sarah married **Joseph Henry Watkins**, son of **Joseph Watkins** and **Phebe Palmer**, on 18 Jul 1824 in Fayette, PA, USA. Joseph was born on 1 Jul 1798 in Hampshire, WV, USA and died on 19 Apr 1866 in Shelby, OH, USA at age 67.

- 34 F iv. **Rebecca David**.

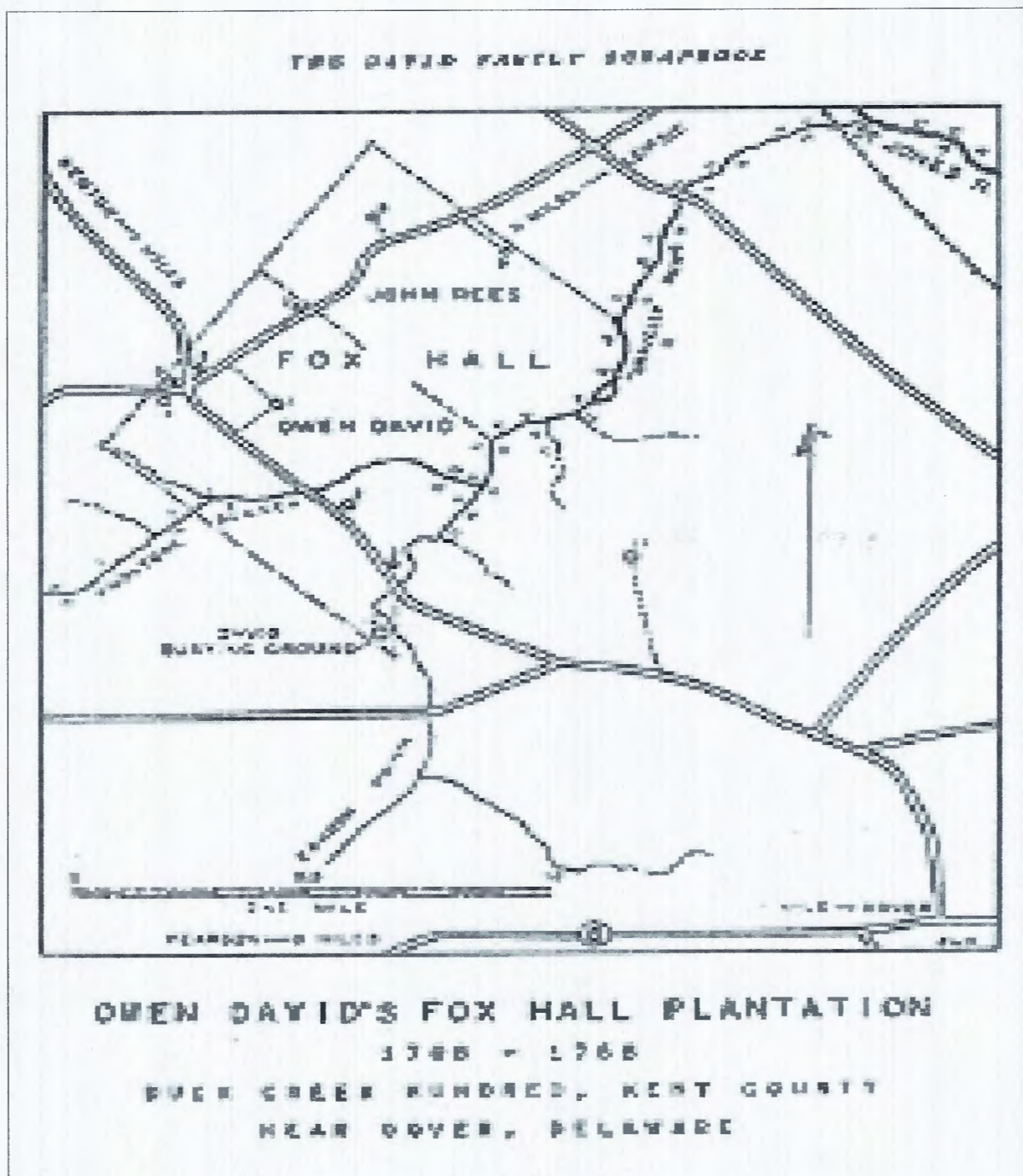
Rebecca married **Henry Buryl**.



# Photo Album of OWEN DAVID



Owen David's Foxhall Plantation



Map from the David Family Scrapbook Vol. 4 by Bruce David

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Tombstone Inscription – Rev. Enoch David

ENOCH DAVID

The following sketch is from the pen of a son of Mr. David, and was published in the first volume of the *Seventh-day Baptist Missionary Magazine*.

Elder Enoch David was born of worthy parents, near Dover, on Duck Creek, in the State of Delaware, where his father owned a small farm. His father was a native of Wales; his mother came from England; both were Presbyterians. When they became serious, which was rather in the decline of life, they had their children sprinkled, which was done very much against the will of their youngest son Enoch, who became religious in the days of his youth, and ever after endeavored to build his religious opinions on the Word of God. He became a member of a First-day Baptist Church at Welch Tract. Here, I am informed, the Lord and the church called him to preach the gospel. And here the truth of the perpetuity of the Fourth Commandment was in a very convincing manner brought home to his heart by the unerring influence of the Holy Ghost, which caused him to forsake the traditions of men, and embrace and keep the real Sabbath of the Bible. He was dismissed from the first-day people, and became an Elder in communion with the Seventh-day Baptist churches. As there were but few of our order in Philadelphia, where he chiefly resided, he preached on the Sabbath to a few Sabbath-keepers in the country for many years. He frequently preached (without taking a salary, though offered) on the first day of the week, to large congregations of people. As a preacher, he was diligent in the discharge of his duty. He taught the truths of God's holy law, as contained in the Decalogue. When the Gospel was his theme, he would, in melting strains, describe the sufferings of Christ, his matchless love to sinners, and invite them to be reconciled to God. His writings of correspondence, and some other pieces, (a few of which were printed,) procured him the esteem of the pious of different denominations of real Christians. I have in possession several sheets of prose and verse, written with his own hand, containing arguments in favor of the Sabbath; also, letters and elegies on the death of several ministers of the gospel and othe Christians. An elegy on the death of that eminent servant of God, George Whitefield, was printed and well received.

A large portion of trouble, in this world of sorrow, was experienced by my dear and honored parent. Four times he was left in a state of widowhood, and each time with the care of an infant. He lived to see six of his children consigned to the grave. He was by trade a tailor, which employment he followed, first in the country, and afterwards in Philadelphia, for many years. In this city he had an estate of some value, which enabled him to give his eldest son, Ebenezer, a liberal education. But, O ! mysterious providence ! Ebenezer too must haste away to the silent tomb ! What, my brother, with all thy youthful vigor, learning and piety ! Yes, O yes ! for so had Heaven ordained ! Truly, young man, thy sun went down at noon ! Here permit me to bring to view, particularly for the benefit of young readers, the following lines, written with his own hand, a few days before his death :

I'll kiss they hands,

'Tis happiness for me to die.

What! dost thou think

That I will shrink?

I'll go to immortality.

Previous to my father's death, he took a long journey to the westward, to visit some of his children living in Fayette County, Pa., adjacent to a Seventh-day Baptist Church, then under the pastoral care of Elder Samuel Woodbridge. During this visit he often preached, and, as I conclude, beyond his strength. He took cold while preaching on a platform in the open air, at an Association, which falling on his lungs, he was soon confined to his room, at the house of his son-in-law, where he ended his days in a few weeks, of a consumption, in the 77<sup>th</sup> year of his age, having preached the gospel above forty years. During his sickness, he was visited by Elder S. Woodbridge, and Deacon David Morgan, who prayed with him. He declared his numerous troubles were all done away in Christ. Joyful accents ! Just before his death he called together such of his children as were present, and with great affection gave them his blessing and advice. Oh ! the parting trial ! Tears of sorrow, mingled with gratitude and joy flow while I write. "Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright ; for the end of that man is peace." Having taken his everlasting flight to the realms of joy, his remains, followed by a large concourse of people, were deposited near the Seventh-day Baptist meeting place, where a meeting house has since been built, and the burying ground enclosed, in which a neat stone is placed at his grave, with the following lines inscribed thereon :

Farewell, good man,

Thou in a good old age

Hast ended well thy pilgrimage.

Farewell, good man,

Rewards await thee now,

Where men of greater fame

Shall to thy virtue bow.

Tho' science marked thee not,

Yet thou knewest well.

In plainest language

Noblest truths to tell;

And tho' thy page

Was not with learning fraught,

Yet didst thou live

What others only taught.

I heard Elder Thomas Ustick, a worthy first-day Baptist, preach a funeral discourse, occasioned by his death, to a large audience. His text was "And Enoch walked with God." In his introduction, he said, he had lately heard of the death of one of his good old friends, who bore the same name, of whom it might be said with propriety, that he walked with God. The words to me were indeed precious, even like apples of gold in pictures of silver.

Owen David

Note: Per *The David Family Scrapbook, Vol 4*, by Bruce W. David – the author of the above article would have been Owen David (1769-1837). He was the youngest son of Enoch David. Owen was an ordained Seventh-day Baptist preacher (Woodbidgetown Church) and school teacher. He volunteered in the War of 1812, and served as chaplain of the 137<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Pennsylvania Militia on duty at Erie, PA to prevent an anticipated invasion by the British.

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# Photo Album of Benjamin David



**David Family Cemetery**



The David Family Burying Ground, Fox Hall, an area about 50 feet square has a row of graves about 12 feet. Those buried there are believed to be: Owen, Mary, Benjamin, Margaret, Charles and Elizabeth.

# History of Maple Dale Country Club

The current location of Maple Dale Country Club has a rich history, and is intertwined with the early history of Delaware. The land was known as *Virgin Choice* when Jane Bartlett took it up in 1681. The original deed, dated 1684 and signed by William Penn, assigned "Foxhall in the County of Kent" to John Reynolds for a yearly stipend of one bushel of wheat per 100 acres of land. In 1707, Owen David (Daffydd) of Wales came to America, married Mary Rees, and entered into a joint venture with his father-in-law John Rees.

On September 10, 1708, the two gentlemen purchased the 510-acre Foxhall Tract for 50 pounds. This tract included an area of land from Hazletville Road north to Denny's Road. On November 10, 1736, Owen conveyed the portion of Foxhall south of the Mudstone Branch Run to his son, Benjamin. This is where Benjamin's son, Charles David (1746-1793) built his home, and is also the present location of Maple Dale Country Club. All eleven homes on the original tract were built in the 1700s, with the Parson's home on the 16th green and 17th tee being the only structure remaining. This dwelling was completely renovated in 2000, and has been placed on the National Historical Register.

The Ridgley family purchased Foxhall Farm in 1776. Two other properties the family owned in the Dover area were Eden Hill Farms, and their residence on the Green in the center of town. The Foxhall property entered the DuPont family when Charles J. DuPont took Ann Ridgley as his second wife in 1848. Occasionally, the DuPont family and friends would cross the tree-lined lane from Dover-Kenton Road for festivities at the farm.

Jumping forward 75 years, in the fall of 1922, Daniel O. Hastings constructed a three-hole golf course on his property, known as Maple Dale Farm. The property was located on the corner of Route 8 and Dover-Kenton Road (today the site of Country Club Apartments). The golf course was constructed for the use and enjoyment of Mr. Hastings' family and friends.

Three years later, in early 1925, Hastings and his associates began discussing plans for building a nine-hole course and clubhouse. An 11-acre tract of land adjoining Maple Dale Farm was purchased from George Hevaloe, for the sum of \$1,700. The new nine-hole course was to be leased from the Hastings family for ten years, with an option to renew for an additional ten years. At the end of 20 years, there was an opportunity to purchase the golf course at an agreed-upon price. The club paid rent, and the Hastings family was granted the privileges of the Club without cost.

R. H. Johnson of Wilmington built the golf course under the direction of Alexander Tate of the Wilmington Country Club. William Johnson designed the Clubhouse, which was constructed under the supervision of F. Marvel Gooden.

In 1967, The Board of Directors and other members of Maple Dale Country Club launched plans for building an eighteen hole golf course, clubhouse, swimming pool and tennis courts. The site of today's property was selected, and 158 acres was purchased from Fox Hall Plantations, Inc. - part of the original Foxhall tract deeded by William Penn back in 1684. A modest Clubhouse opened in March 1969, and nine holes of golf were ready for action by July of that year. The remaining nine holes opened in May, 1970. Russell Roberts of Silver Springs, Maryland built the golf course, and Clark Harmon was the architect for the Clubhouse. The contractor was Dover-based EJT Construction Company.

In 1996, the former clubhouse underwent a complete renovation and expansion, including the member dining room, kitchen facilities, ballroom and banquet facilities. In the process, the total capacity of the clubhouse was doubled. The architect for this expansion initiative was Terry Jackson, and project management was performed by board members Dan Krausz and Larry McAllister.

Today, Maple Dale Country Club uses its growing regional prominence to draw most of its most important social events each year, as well as offering some of the best golfing available in the area.

THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN DELAWARE AND MARYLAND ORIGINALLY WAS SET TO THE LINE DIVIDING THE RAINFALL THAT FLOWED INTO THE CHESAPEAKE BAY FROM THE RAINFALL THAT FLOWED INTO THE DELAWARE BAY.

IN 1700, THE WATER WAS THE PRIMARY MEANS OF TRAVEL ON WHAT WOULD COME TO BE KNOWN AS THE DELMARVA PENINSULA.

SETTLERS WEST OF THE DIVIDE CAME PRIMARILY FROM EITHER DIRECT IMMIGRATION THROUGH THE EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND PORTS OR MOVED FROM WHAT IS NOW MARYLAND.

EASTERN SETTLERS CAME PRIMARILY FROM DIRECT IMMIGRATION THROUGH THE DELAWARE PORTS OR MOVED FROM PENNSYLVANIA OR NEW JERSEY.

DUCK CREEK HUNDRED, KENT, DELAWARE  
CREATED 1682 – ORIGINAL PATENT  
PRIMARY TOWN = SMYRNA  
PART IS IN LITTLE CREEK/PART IN KENTON

SO!

COULD THE UNKNOWN ELBOURN BORN ABOUT 1740 BE A BROTHER OF REUBEN BORN 1745?

THERE IS THE INFAMOUS LETTER LEFT FOR REUBEN IN THE DUCK CREEK HUNDRED POST OFFICE....

THEN THERE IS THE JAMES ELBURN WHO WAS INDENTURED TO WILLIAM ELBURN AS AN APPRENTICE TO LEARN THE OCCUPATION OF WEAVING ON 1 OCT 1787. JAMES WAS FROM KENT COUNTY, MARYLAND AND THE INDENTURE RECORD IS FROM THE DELAWARE ARCHIVES. JAMES' INDENTURE WAS MADE BY AUTHORITY OF HIMSELF. THIS MEANS HE HAD TO BE OF LEGAL AGE FOR THAT TIME PERIOD (WHICH I HAVE YET TO UNCOVER) – WAS HE 16? 18? THESE AGES WOULD MAKE HIM BORN 1769 TO 1771. I HAVE NO JAMES ELBURN IN MY DATABASE THAT FALLS INTO THIS TIMEFRAME. I ALSO HAVE NOT FOUND A WILLIAM ELBURN IN DELAWARE THAT FITS THE TIMEFRAME TO BE THE MASTER; BUT MORE INVESTIGATION IS REQUIRED ON THAT FRONT.

NOTE THAT THE REV. ENOCH DAVID (1715) WAS APPRENTICED AS A YOUNG MAN TO LEARN THE TAILORS TRADE IN PHILADELPHIA.... TAILOR..... WEAVER.....

A CONSIDERATION: THE NAMES "BENJAMIN" AND "OWEN" BOTH APPEAR IN OUR ELBURN/ELBOURN FAMILY:

REUBEN -> JAMES -> JAMES JR -> BENJAMIN B

REUBEN -> REUBEN -> MONTGOMERY R -> BENJAMIN

REUBEN -> JAMES -> DAVID C. -> OWEN WASHINGTON -> JAMES DAVID OWEN

REUBEN -> LEMUEL JOSEPH -> JOSEPH LEMUEL -> JOSEPH OWEN

SO WE ALL HAVE SOME FODDER FOR SPECULATION (MARA! YOUR SPECIALTY!) AND FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION. THERE ARE A LOT OF SUGGESTIONS THAT MAKE IT SEEM POSSIBLE THAT THERE IS A RELATIONSHIP.

I ALSO JUST REMEMBERED AS I WAS WORKING ON THIS; MY GRANDFATHER ELBURN ALWAYS INSISTED THE ELBURN FAMILY ORIGINATED IN WALES.

HHHHHMMMMMM.....



MY GRANDFATHER, WALTER LUDLOW ELBURN, AT AGE 91

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