Genealogy Research Guide

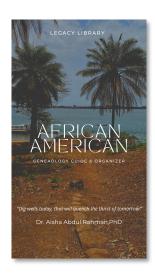
In this guide you will find a checklist, that serves as a reminder of the various resources you have available to find the answers to questions you may have about your family history, as well as a log that you can make multiple copies of for each person you research.

This guide is just a sneak peek of the complete Genealogy Research Workbook that I am currently writing specifically for African American Family Historians and Researchers. The complete guide will have worksheets, research logs, and guides for each item on the checklist, as well as a list of suggested books to read to further your research.

A few tips to get you started:

- 1. Start with yourself, and what you know about your parents and siblings. Begin a family tree adding the people that you know as you go along.
- 2. Then start with the Federal Census Records in 1950 and work your way backwards. Once you get to the 1850s and 1860s begin trying to identity slave holders, paying close attention to 1870s in Mississippi and Maryland.
- 3. Take a DNA test. Taking a DNA test with Ancestry.com will help you identity people you are related to and work together with their family trees. African Ancestry DNA.com will help you discover your specific Country and Tribe on the African Continent.

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Genealogy Research Log

First Name		Last Name _	
Other Nam	e(s)	Nick Name	
Date of Birt	th	City, State, Country	
Mothers Na	ame	Fathers Nam	ne
DNA Platfo	orm Shared CM	·	
Date		Objective/Question(s)	Findings & Analyses
			

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First Name Last Name