

## *Descendants of Thomas Deacon*

### *Generation No. 1*

1. THOMAS<sup>1</sup> DEACON was born About 1468, and died Unknown. He married ALICE SPENCER, daughter of ROBERT SPENCER and ANNE PECKE. She was born About 1468 in Cople, England, and died Unknown.

Child of THOMAS DEACON and ALICE SPENCER is:

2. i. THOMAS<sup>2</sup> DEACON, b. About 1498, St. Albans, Hertfordshire, England; d. About 1542.

### *Generation No. 2*

2. THOMAS<sup>2</sup> DEACON (*THOMAS*<sup>1</sup>) was born About 1498 in St. Albans, Hertfordshire, England, and died About 1542. He married ELIZABETH ?. She was born About 1500 in Bovington, Herts, England, and died Aft. 1542.

Child of THOMAS DEACON and ELIZABETH ? is:

3. i. THOMAS<sup>3</sup> DEACON, b. About 1521, Bovington, Herts, England; d. Jun 1582, Bovington, Herts, England.

### *Generation No. 3*

3. THOMAS<sup>3</sup> DEACON (*THOMAS*<sup>2</sup>, *THOMAS*<sup>1</sup>) was born About 1521 in Bovington, Herts, England, and died Jun 1582 in Bovington, Herts, England. He married JOAN ALLEN. She was born About 1525 in Bovington, Herts, England, and died Unknown.

Child of THOMAS DEACON and JOAN ALLEN is:

4. i. THOMAS<sup>4</sup> DEACON, b. About 1548, Watford, England; d. Unknown, Hemel, Hempstead, Hertfordshire, England.

### *Generation No. 4*

4. THOMAS<sup>4</sup> DEACON (*THOMAS*<sup>3</sup>, *THOMAS*<sup>2</sup>, *THOMAS*<sup>1</sup>) was born About 1548 in Watford, England, and died Unknown in Hemel, Hempstead, Hertfordshire, England. He married MARTHA FIELDE Jun 15, 1596 in Hemel Hempstead, England<sup>1</sup>, daughter of JOHN FIELD and GRACE TURNER. She was born About 1579 in Hemel, Hempstead, Hertfordshire, England, and died Unknown in Hemel, Hempstead, Hertfordshire, England.

Child of THOMAS DEACON and MARTHA FIELDE is:

5. i. PHEBE<sup>5</sup> DEACON, b. About Apr 1597, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, England; d. Nov 20, 1663, Topsfield, Essex Co., MA.

### *Generation No. 5*

5. PHEBE<sup>5</sup> DEACON (*THOMAS*<sup>4</sup>, *THOMAS*<sup>3</sup>, *THOMAS*<sup>2</sup>, *THOMAS*<sup>1</sup>) was born About Apr 1597 in Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, England, and died Nov 20, 1663 in Topsfield, Essex Co., MA<sup>2</sup>. She married ZACCHEUS GOULD, son of RICHARD GOULD and MARY COLDER. He was born 1589 in Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, England<sup>3</sup>, and died Mar 30, 1668 in Topsfield, Essex Co., MA.

More About PHEBE DEACON:

Baptism: Apr 03, 1597, Hemel Hempstead, England<sup>3</sup>

Notes for ZACCHEUS GOULD:

From SAVAGE's DICTIONARY OF FIRST SETTLERS OF NEW ENGLAND, Vol 2  
GOULD, or GOLD, ZACCHEUS, Weymouth 1639  
and

GOULD, or GOLD, ZACCHEUS, Ipswich 1644 (in that part which soon was incorporated as Topsfield), came from Hants Green, near Potter's Row, in County Bucks, a parish, seen on the map, about 33 miles from London, near Great Missenden, left good estate to only son John, and four daughters perhaps, both at Rowley and Topsfield. His daughter Phebe married Thomas Perkins; Martha married John Newmarch; Mary married a (probably Abraham) Redington, and Priscilla married John Wild, who strange as it may appear, was a witness against her brother.

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From NEHGS Register, v. 46, p. 186 "Savage's Genealogical Dictionary, Corrections and Additions" Vol. II.--Page 285. Zacheus Gould of Ipswich and of Weymouth is the same man. He bought out James Parker 1644, and afterwards sold.

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From Pope's The Pioneers of Massachusetts:  
GOULD, GOOLD, GOLD, Zaccheus, husbandman, Lynn, headed a petition that husbandmen be excused from training in seedtime and harvest; dated 7 (8) 1640. [L.] Removed to Ipswich; sold land at Weymouth which had belonged to Jeremy Gould 26 (9) 1644. Removed to Topsfield. He deposed in 1661, age about 72 years. His wife Phebe died 20 (9) 1663. Children [Phebe, (married Thomas Perkins,) Mary, (married John Reddington,) Martha, (married John Newmarch.)] [So stated by the genealogy of the Family.]

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From Farmer's Genealogical Register of the First Settlers of New England:  
GOULD, ZACCHEUS, Lynn 1640, had a son Daniel. Lewis.

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Zaccheus lived in Hemel, Hampstead England and later in Great Misseden, where he was assessed in 1629. He came to America with his family and the first record of him is in Weymouth MA where in 1639 he bought land from his brother Jeremy. He was one of the executors of the will of Henry Russell, of Weymouth the same year. He moved to Lynn and in 1640 owned a mill on the Saugus River. He rented lands there in 1640, the rents payable in rye, wheat, barley, oxen, cows, heifers, calves and mares. In 1640 he signed a petition to the governor for exemption from training during seed time, harvest and during haying. He moved to that part of Ipswich which became Topsfield about 1644 and was one of the petitioners for the setting off of Topsfield as a town in 1650. He purchased from William Paine the homestead in Topsfield where he lived and died. He took the oath of fidelity 30 Sep 1651 but was never admitted a freeman. He was fined for entertaining Quakers. The farm in Topsfield was in the Gould family for several generations. The first house was a block house to defend the inhabitants from the Indians and a garrison was kept at that time. The third house was built in 1724 or soon after and was destroyed by fire in 1878. On its site a fourth house was erected which was occupied by David Pingree. Zaccheus died in 1668 and his wife Phebe on 20 Sep 1663.

Children of PHEBE DEACON and ZACCHEUS GOULD are:

- i. PRISCILLA<sup>6</sup> GOULD, b. About Sep 1620, Great Missenden, Bucks., England; d. Apr 16, 1663, Topsfield, Essex Co., MA<sup>4</sup>; m. JOHN WILDES, Nov 23, 1642, Topsfield, Essex Co., MA; b. About 1619, England; d. May 14, 1705, Topsfield, Essex Co., MA<sup>5</sup>.

More About PRISCILLA GOULD:  
Baptism: Sep 07, 1628, Great Missenden, Bucks., England<sup>6</sup>

Notes for JOHN WILDES:  
Per SAVAGE'S Genealogical Dictionary of New England Settlers, v. 4  
WILDES, JOHN, Topsfield 1660, then aged 40, perhaps son of William, married Priscilla, daughter of the first Zacheus Gould; may be that youth of 17 years coming from London, 1635, in the Elizabeth. From Coffin's gatherings in Geneal. Reg. VIII. 167, it may be inferred that he had a son JOHN, who in his will of October 1676, after mention of his grandfather Gould, names brothers Jonathan, Ephraim, and sisters Sarah, Elizabeth, Phebe, Priscilla, and Martha. His second wife Sarah was old enough in 1692 to be condemned and executed as a witch, but not young enough to falsely accuse herself or others during the execra. delusion.

- ii. MARY GOULD, b. About Dec 1621, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, England; d. Unknown; m. JOHN REDDINGTON, About 1648<sup>7</sup>; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

More About MARY GOULD:  
Baptism: Dec 19, 1621, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, England<sup>8</sup>

- iii. MARTHA GOULD, b. About Jun 1623, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, England; d. Unknown; m. JOHN NEWMARCH; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

More About MARTHA GOULD:  
Baptism: Jun 15, 1623, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, England<sup>9</sup>

- iv. PHEBE GOULD, b. About Sep 1626, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, England; d. Unknown; m. THOMAS PERKINS; b. About Apr 1622, Hillmorton, Warwickshire, England; d. Unknown.

More About PHEBE GOULD:  
Baptism: Sep 27, 1626, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, England<sup>9</sup>

More About THOMAS PERKINS:  
Baptism: Apr 28, 1622, Hillmorton, Warwickshire, England<sup>10</sup>  
Will Dated: Dec 11, 1685<sup>10</sup>

- v. JOHN GOULD, b. Jun 21, 1635, Great Missenden, Berks., England; d. Jan 26, 1709/10, Topsfield, Essex Co., MA; m. SARAH BAKER, Oct 12, 1660, Ipswich, Essex Co., MA<sup>11</sup>; b. Mar 09, 1640/41, Ipswich, Essex Co., MA; d. Jan 20, 1708/09, Topsfield, Essex Co., MA<sup>12</sup>.

Notes for JOHN GOULD:  
From SAVAGE's DICTIONARY OF FIRST SETTLERS OF NEW ENGLAND, Vol 2  
GOULD, or GOLD, JOHN, Topsfield, only son of Zaccheus, born about 1637, in England, freeman 1665, the greatest landholder in the neighborhood. married 12 or 14 October 1660, Sarah, perhaps daughter of John Baker, who died 20 January 1709, had John, born 1 December 1662; Sarah, 18 December 1664; Thomas, 14 February 1667; Samuel, 9 March 1670; Zaccheus, 26 March 1672; Priscilla, 2 November 1674; Joseph, 24 August 1677; and Mary, 16 June 1681, and he died perhaps 26 January 1710. Sarah married 29 March 1682, Joseph Bixby; and Priscilla married a Curtis; but where either resided is uncertain; was lieutenant in command of the military, fined, imprisoned and charged with treason by the usurping government of Joseph Dudley, after whose overthrow with that of Andros, he was representative. See Hutch. I. 365, and better and fuller accounts in 3 Massachusetts Historical Collection VII. 150-4.

More About JOHN GOULD:  
Baptism: Jun 29, 1635, Great Missenden, Bucks., England<sup>13</sup>

### Endnotes

1. NEHGS Register, "Priscilla, Wife of John Putnam" v. 119 (July, 1965), p. 175.
2. Charles Henry Pope, Pastor, First Church, Charlestown, Boston, *The Pioneers of Massachusetts, a Descriptive List, Drawn from Records of the Colonies, Towns and Churches, and Other Contemporaneous Documents*, (Facsimile reprint by Heritage Books, Inc.; 1991).
3. NEHGS Register, "Priscilla, Wife of John Putnam" v. 119 (July, 1965), p. 175.
4. NEHGS Register, v. 109, p. 48; "The Red(d)ingtons of Topsfield and Boxford, Mass.", says died in April, 1663.
5. Topsfield Historical Society; George Francis Dow, Compiler, *Vital Records of Topsfield, Massachusetts to the End of the Year 1849*, (New England Historic Genealogical Society; Newcomb & Gauss, Printers; Salem, MA; 1903).
6. NEHGS Register, "Priscilla, Wife of John Putnam" v. 119 (July, 1965), p. 176.
7. NEHGS Register, v. 109, p. 48; "The Red(d)ingtons of Topsfield and Boxford, Mass."
8. NEHGS Register, v. 109, p. 49; "The Red(d)ingtons of Topsfield and Boxford, Mass."
9. NEHGS Register, v. 109, p. 46; "The Red(d)ingtons of Topsfield and Boxford, Mass."
10. *The Great Migration Begins*.
11. James Savage, *Savage's Genealogical Dictionary of New England Settlers*, v. 2, lists marriage date as 12 or 14 October 1660.
12. James Savage, *Savage's Genealogical Dictionary of New England Settlers*, v. 2.
13. NEHGS Register, "Priscilla, Wife of John Putnam" v. 119 (July, 1965), p. 176.