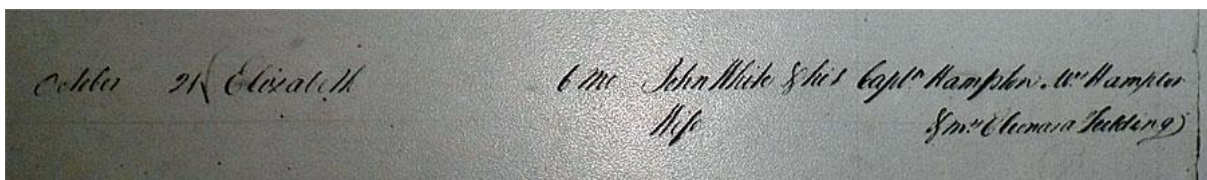


## The Old Mission Church records reveal more

Sadly, we only had a short time left in our day with the Old Mission Church records after we had searched out the Hampton baptism records, but we did spot two more entries with Hampton names –

Oct 21 1772?

Samuel and Margaret Hampton and Eleanora Fielding are godparents to Elizabeth (6 months), daughter of John white and his missus. They may well make other godparental appearances.



A photograph of a handwritten church record on aged paper. The text is written in cursive ink. On the left, it reads 'October 21 Elizabeth'. In the center, it says '6 mo John White & his Capt<sup>o</sup> Hampton. W<sup>o</sup> Hampton'. On the right, it lists the godparents: 'M<sup>r</sup> Eleanora Fielding'.

May 6 1772

Pamella (2 yrs 3 months, no surname or parents), Charles Hampton and Eleanora Fielding are godparents).



A photograph of a handwritten church record on aged paper. The text is written in cursive ink. On the left, it reads 'May 6 Pamella'. In the center, it says '2 yrs 3 mo'. On the right, it lists the godparents: 'Charles Hampton & Eleanora Fielding'.

And there is an interesting follow-up .... Eleanora Watson (Fielding), who died in October 1776 along with her newly born son, was the goddaughter of Mary Chapman, older sister of Charles Hampton. Mary Chapman died in 1784 and page 3 of her will (right hand side) says: "Also I give and bequeath to Pamela William, God daughter of Charles Hampton, my Lower Roomed house with its appurtenances that is Situate Lying and being in the Loll Bazar almost fronting the large house built by the late John Carmichael Esq for the term of her natural life and after that to the heirs of her body, also the sum of five hundred arcot Rupees to be paid to he on the day of marriage, and ..... *there follow a further 19 lines describing clothing, jewellery, household furniture, furnishings, linen etc.* Then a proviso .... but on condition to live with her godfather the aforesaid Charles Hampton until (sic) the day of Her Marriage which must not be without the Consent and Approbation of her said Godfather the named Charles Hampton.