

## Ancestors of Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel

### Generation 1

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1. **Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel**, son of Johann Georg Riedesel and Katherine Riedesel, was born on March 21, 1888 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 08, 1958 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He married **Evelyn K. Jenkins** on June 19, 1928 in Clinton, Clinton, Iowa. She was born about 1904 in Louisville, Jefferson, Kentucky. She died in January 1979.

Notes for Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel:

Born in Weymers Haus, Wunderthausen. Came to America with the family on the ship Rhein out of Bremen, landing in New York on October 13, 1906.

Known as Louis H. or "Irish." By 1930 he was working as an auto mechanic in Rock Island, IL. The 1930 Census is the first indication I have that he was ever married. The Census shows a 7-year old step-daughter named Mary who was born in Iowa.

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2. **Johann Georg Riedesel**, son of Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel and Anna Elisabeth Kroh, was born on December 05, 1842 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 09, 1927 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). He married **Katherine Riedesel** on November 24, 1872 in Wunderthausen.
3. **Katherine Riedesel**, daughter of Johann Georg Riedesel and Anna Elisabeth Dickel, was born on September 22, 1854 in Rüsselsbach. She died on April 11, 1908 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

Notes for Johann Georg Riedesel:

Known as George J. in this country. Born in Weymers Haus, Wunderthausen. He and most of the family came to America on the ship Rhein out of Bremen, landing in New York on October 13, 1906. The property he had in Germany was not insubstantial by village standards and he had a good-sized farm in Section 26 of the Spring Rock Township. They were the last of the Wunderthäuser to come to the Wheatland area. His younger brothers Henry and Fred had already settled in America though not around Wheatland.

Notes for Katherine Riedesel:

She was born in the single house at Rüsselsbach near Wunderthausen. Came to America on the ship Rhein out of Bremen, landing in New York on October 13, 1906. Clinton County Register of Deaths gives her name as Katrina Riedesel. Her tombstone is erroneously engraved with 1909 as the year of death.

Johann Georg Riedesel and Katherine Riedesel had the following children:

- i. Georg Wilhelm Riedesel was born on August 22, 1874 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 22, 1877 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Catherine Luise Riedesel was born on March 26, 1876 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 04, 1933 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

Notes for Catherine Luise Riedesel:

Came to America with her parents on the ship Rhein out of Bremen, landing in New York on October 13, 1906. Never married.

- iii. Emilie Lisette Riedesel was born on January 24, 1879 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 12, 1963 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She married **Georg Ludwig Kroh** on April 01, 1900 in Wunderthausen. He was born on October 28, 1863 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 03, 1927 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

Notes for Emilie Lisette Riedesel:

Born in Weymers Haus in Wunderthausen. Her husband, Georg Ludwig Kroh, had gone to Wheatland years before, been married and widowed, and returned to Wunderthausen. They had one child in Germany before returning to America and Wheatland.

They came to America on ship Bremen out of Bremen, landing in New York on September 24, 1902. She was known by her middle name, often spelled Lisetta. Her given first name is spelled variously in different sources. However, the church record from Wunderthausen says

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'Emilie' which is proper German spelling as is 'Lisette.'

- iv. Luise Riedesel was born on July 17, 1881 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 12, 1937 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She married **John Conrad Strackbein** on December 05, 1905 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He was born on November 09, 1872 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on December 25, 1968 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa.

Notes for Luise Riedesel:

Preceded parents and other siblings to the U.S. She traveled on the ship Rhein out of Bremen and landed in Baltimore on June 24, 1903. Also on the ship was a 23-year old Georg Strackbein whom I have not been able to identify. I think he was a Wunderthausen cousin who came as an escort and to visit relatives before returning home.

Her older sister, Lisetta, had come the year before.

- v. Georg Ludwig Riedesel was born on September 19, 1883 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 19, 1931 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). He married **Anna Wilhelmine Fox** on February 27, 1912 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She was born on March 03, 1891 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on March 15, 1991 in Maquoketa, Jackson, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

Notes for Georg Ludwig Riedesel:

Born in Weymers Haus in Wunderthausen. Came to America with the family on the ship Rhein out of Bremen, landing in New York on October 13, 1906. There were no children to the marriage. His death was a suicide.

- vi. Hermine Anna Elisabeth Riedesel was born on December 02, 1885 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 23, 1952 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She married **Frank Henry Strackbein** on April 28, 1909 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He was born on October 24, 1883 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on May 14, 1974 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa.

Notes for Hermine Anna Elisabeth Riedesel:

Born in Weymers Haus, Wunderthausen. Came to America with the family on the ship Rhein out of Bremen, landing in New York on October 13, 1906.

- 1. vii. Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel was born on March 21, 1888 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 08, 1958 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He married **Evelyn K. Jenkins** on June 19, 1928 in Clinton, Clinton, Iowa. She was born about 1904 in Louisville, Jefferson, Kentucky. She died in January 1979.
- viii. Friedrich Heinrich Riedesel was born on December 17, 1889 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 09, 1977 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He married **Ethel Mae Diller** on April 08, 1931 in Davenport, Iowa, USA. She was born on December 18, 1903 in Iowa. She died on June 15, 1962 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa.

Notes for Friedrich Heinrich Riedesel:

Born in Weymers Haus, Wunderthausen. Came to America with the family on the ship Rhein out of Bremen, landing in New York on October 13, 1906. No children from the marriage. Known as Fred. Naturalized April 7, 1936. A 14-year old girl named Lucille Riedesel and described as their daughter is listed in the 1940 Census. I believe that was an enumerator's error. Ethel had a legitimate sister this age named Lucille.

- ix. Emma C. Riedesel was born on April 27, 1891 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 14, 1986 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She married **Albert Fred Strackbein** on February 28, 1913 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He was born on October 21, 1886 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on January 15, 1958 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa.

Notes for Emma C. Riedesel:

Born in Weymers Haus, Wunderthausen. Came to America with the family on the ship Rhein out of Bremen, landing in New York on October 13, 1906.

- x. Heinrich Gustav Riedesel was born on September 16, 1893 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 27, 1959 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He married **Emma Wilhelmine Mildred**

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**Wolfe** on December 17, 1918 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She was born on August 30, 1900 in Shatoper Tp Iowa, USA. She died on May 28, 1979 in Cedar Rapids, Linn, Iowa.

Notes for Heinrich Gustav Riedesel:

Born in Weymers Haus, Wunderthausen. Came to America with the family on the ship Rhein out of Bremen, landing in New York on October 13, 1906. Referred to as Gustave Heinrich by family but was christened Heinrich Gustav.

- xi. Heinrich Adolph Riedesel was born on July 11, 1895 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 14, 1973 in De Witt, Clinton, Iowa. He married **Elsie Viola Ott** on January 29, 1920 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She was born on June 24, 1900 in Smithtown, Iowa. She died on November 27, 1959 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He married **Anna Wieck** on July 10, 1965.

Notes for Heinrich Adolph Riedesel:

Born in Weymer Haus in Wunderthausen. Came to America with the family on the ship Rhein out of Bremen, landing in New York on October 13, 1906. No children from either marriage. He was naturalized in Scott County in 1928. He farmed near Wheatland and later owned a farm implement business.

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4. **Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel**, son of Johann Georg Riedesel and Catherine Elisabeth Fuchs, was born on February 09, 1802 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 16, 1876 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Kroh** on November 17, 1839 in Wunderthausen.
5. **Anna Elisabeth Kroh**, daughter of Georg Ludwig Kroh and Anna Elisabeth Kroh, was born on December 31, 1814 in Wemlighausen. She died on March 31, 1878 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel:

Born in and tenant in Weymers Haus, Wunderthausen.

Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel and Anna Elisabeth Kroh had the following children:

- i. Catherine Lisette Riedesel was born on September 07, 1840 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 18, 1908 in Wunderthausen. She married **Conrad Heinrich Steinmeyer** on January 27, 1862 in Wunderthausen. He was born on May 12, 1836 in Lippe-Detmold. He died on December 19, 1924 in Wunderthausen.
2. ii. Johann Georg Riedesel was born on December 05, 1842 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 09, 1927 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). He married **Katherine Riedesel** on November 24, 1872 in Wunderthausen. She was born on September 22, 1854 in Rüsselsbach. She died on April 11, 1908 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).
- iii. Georg Ludwig Riedesel was born on June 18, 1845 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 23, 1927 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Catherine Strackbein** on October 15, 1873 in Girkhausen. She was born on November 14, 1850 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 30, 1883 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Ludwig Riedesel:

Born in Weymers house, married into Kurts.

- iv. Johann Heinrich Riedesel was born on October 23, 1847 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 26, 1930 in Salem, Marion, Oregon (City View Cemetery, Salem). He married **Charlotte Bohle** on October 31, 1874 in Cherokee County, Iowa. She was born on March 18, 1854 in Washington, Franklin, Missouri. She died on September 09, 1937 in Salem, Marion, Oregon (City View Cemetery, Salem).

Notes for Johann Heinrich Riedesel:

Born in Weymers Haus, Wunderthausen. He arrived in New York on October 21, 1867 on the ship Union out of Bremen. He reportedly worked for seven years in a Pennsylvania coal mine but this is questionable as he appears to have been living in Wheatland, Iowa by 1870. Known as Henry.

Married in Iowa in 1874; Charlotte was from Washington, Missouri. Lived in Cherokee

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County, Iowa, until about 1902 when they moved to Cathy, North Dakota. In 1915 they went to Salem, Oregon. Living at 740 North Cottage Street in West Salem, Polk County, in 1926 when their daughter, Amanda, died.

- v. Catherine Elisabeth Luise Riedesel was born on October 27, 1849 in Wunderthausen. She married **Ludwig Heinrich Fuchs** on September 22, 1872 in Girkhausen.
- vi. Georg Friedrich Riedesel was born on August 19, 1852 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 15, 1916 in Worthington, Nobles, Minnesota. He married **Petra Nella Vander Meer** on March 04, 1884. She was born on April 22, 1864 in Workum, Netherlands. She died on June 29, 1946 in Worthington, Nobles, Minnesota.

Notes for Georg Friedrich Riedesel:  
Born in Weymers Haus, Wunderthausen.

He came to the U.S. on the ship Holsatia out of Hamburg. It arrived in New York on December 7, 1871. The years between his arrival and his ultimate marriage are not well-documented. By 1880 he was living with/near his brother Henry in Cherokee County, Iowa.

He was known as Fred in this country.

- 6. **Johann Georg Riedesel**, son of Johann Ludwig Riedesel and Anna Elisabeth Benfer, was born on February 26, 1828 in Wunderthausen. He died in 1927 in Wemlighausen (?). He married **Anna Elisabeth Dickel** on April 24, 1853.
- 7. **Anna Elisabeth Dickel**, daughter of Johannes Ludwig Dickel and Anna Elisabeth Lückel, was born on November 24, 1828 in Wemlighausen. She died on August 28, 1885.

Johann Georg Riedesel and Anna Elisabeth Dickel had the following children:

- 3.
  - i. Katherine Riedesel was born on September 22, 1854 in Rüsselsbach. She died on April 11, 1908 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). She married **Johann Georg Riedesel** on November 24, 1872 in Wunderthausen. He was born on December 05, 1842 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 09, 1927 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).
  - ii. Louise Elisabeth Riedesel was born on July 26, 1856 in Rüsselsbach. She died on January 10, 1908. She married **Johann Georg Sonneborn** on March 01, 1874 in Girkhausen. He was born on March 05, 1849 in Girkhausen. He died on April 01, 1926 in Rüsselsbach.
  - iii. Karoline Riedesel was born on May 10, 1859 in Rüsselsbach. She died on April 12, 1869 in Rüsselsbach.
  - iv. Henrich Riedesel was born on December 25, 1861 in Rüsselsbach.
  - v. Georg Riedesel was born on December 03, 1863 in Rüsselsbach. He died on January 15, 1868 in Wemlighausen.
  - vi. Wilhelmine Riedesel was born on February 23, 1866 in Rüsselsbach. She died on June 08, 1868 in Wemlighausen.
  - vii. Georg Wilhelm Riedesel was born on May 08, 1868 in Rüsselsbach. He died on August 24, 1938 in Wuppertal. He married **Anna Dahlmann** She was born on October 06, 1868 in Schwelm, Ennepe-Ruhr-Kreis. She died on January 25, 1933 in Langenfeld, Mayen-Koblenz.
  - viii. Friedrich Riedesel was born on October 25, 1870 in Rüsselsbach. He died on June 13, 1901. He married **Ida Karweg**

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- 8. **Johann Georg Riedesel**, son of Johannes Riedesel and Maria Elisabeth Dienst, was born on June 02, 1778 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 15, 1857 in Wunderthausen. He married **Catherine Elisabeth Fuchs** on December 11, 1800 in Wunderthausen.
- 9. **Catherine Elisabeth Fuchs**, daughter of Johann Ludwig Fuchs and Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen, was born on December 22, 1778 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 22, 1845 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Riedesel:  
Born in and tenant in Weymers Haus, Wunderthausen.

Johann Georg Riedesel and Catherine Elisabeth Fuchs had the following children:

- 4.
  - i. Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel was born on February 09, 1802 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 16, 1876 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Kroh** on November 17,

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- 1839 in Wunderthausen. She was born on December 31, 1814 in Wemlighausen. She died on March 31, 1878 in Wunderthausen.
12. ii. Johann Ludwig Riedesel was born on January 27, 1805 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 29, 1869 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Benfer** on September 16, 1827 in Wunderthausen. She was born on May 11, 1805 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 10, 1868 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Elisabeth Amalia Riedesel was born on April 24, 1808 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 04, 1815 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Johannes Riedesel was born on October 20, 1810 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 30, 1873 in Cherokee, Iowa. He married **Maria Katherine Repp** on April 01, 1840 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She was born in 1820 in Aßlar, Germany. She died on May 29, 1869 in Clinton County, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

Notes for Johannes Riedesel:

Born in Weymers Haus in Wunderthausen. He came to America in March 1837 according to his naturalization record in Warren County, New Jersey. For whatever reasons, he and other Riedesels living there began to be called "Riddle" or "Radle."

He lived near Oxford (Furnace) where he was married and the children were born. In the mid-1860s the family moved out to Wheatland, Iowa, the home of dozens of fellow immigrants from Wunderthausen. When Maria died in 1869, she was buried as Catherine Riedesel even though they were otherwise called Radle. John and the younger children moved on to Cherokee County, Iowa after 1870 where they used the name Radle. But even among them, the spelling varied. Several of the older children moved back east but all but Margaret lived at least for a while around Wheatland. This obituary implies that all was not well within the family.

Cherokee Leader: July 2, 1873: pg 4

John Radle, of Silver Township, shot dead by his own Hand!

At about six o'clock last Monday morning, John Radle, living in Silver township, near the Morgan School House, this county, shot him self with a rifle. From the testimony of the witnesses before the Coroner inquest, held at one o'clock, p.m., of the same day, we deduce as follows John Radle, deceased, went out to the barn yard that morning, turned the cows out, re-entered the house and went up stairs. Shortly after he had ascended the stairs, the report of gun was heard. His two daughters at the time were in a room on the first floor. They rushed out and cried "Pa has shot himself !" A son, Frederick Radle, and hired man were at the barn, and at once hurried up stairs. The words of the frightened daughters were only too true there lay the gray-haired father in his own blood-dead! The butt end of the rifle was resting upon a bed, the muzzle being under his body. Near by was a long piece of timber which had previously laid up in the vicinity of the rafters, and one side was covered with dust. At one end finger marks were distinctly visible. The conclusion was that the deceased had placed the butt end of the rifle upon the bed, having previously cocked the trigger, and with the strip of timber, discharged the contents the ball entering his heart. The body lay untouched until about the time of the inquisition. E. P. Purcell, acting as special constable, summoned a jury, who, after an examination into the cause of deceased's death, before J. D. F. Smith, acting coroner, rendered the following

#### VERDICT

STATE OF IOWA, )CHEROKEE COUNTY. An inquisition holden at John Radle's house in Silver township, Cherokee County, on the 30th day of June A.D. 1873, before J. D. F. Smith, justice of the Peace acting as Coroner, upon the body of John Radle, there lying dead, by the jurors whose names are hereto subscribed. The said jurors upon their oaths, do say after having; heard the evidence and examined said body, we do find that the deceased did come to his death by a ball or shot, fired from a gun in his own hand, said ball or shot taking effect about two inches to the right of the left nipple, on the person of the said John Radle. Given under our hands this 30th, day of June A.D. 1873. JAMES JENNESS, J. M. SMITH, ELIAS DUDS,

Deceased, is supposed to have been driven to this self destructive step by family trouble, having a few days before threatened his children to lay his own hands on himself if he was not more favored in the control of the farm affairs. He was in the 60th year of his age.

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Deceased was a native of Germany. He lived several years in New Jersey and at the close of the war became a resident of Scranton, Pa. From Pennsylvania he removed to Clinton County, Iowa, four years ago, and thence to Silver Township, this county, last September.

- v. Anna Catherine Riedesel was born on February 14, 1813 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 16, 1881 in Wunderthausen. She married **Georg Ludwig Strackbein** on November 17, 1839 in Wunderthausen. He was born on March 12, 1821 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 11, 1881 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Johann Georg Riedesel was born on January 13, 1816 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 01, 1872 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Florentine Lauber** on November 01, 1846 in Wunderthausen. She was born on October 28, 1821 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 13, 1907 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Riedesel:

Founded the house Auf dem Landebach.

- vii. Catherine Elisabeth Riedesel was born on August 02, 1818 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 29, 1823 in Wunderthausen.
  - viii. Florentine Riedesel was born on October 27, 1820 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 22, 1876. She married **Johannes Fuchs** on December 17, 1843 in Wunderthausen. He was born on November 20, 1817 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 04, 1893 in Wunderthausen.
10. **Georg Ludwig Kroh** was born on December 22, 1771 in Wemlighausen. He died on March 11, 1827 in Wemlighausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Kroh**
11. **Anna Elisabeth Kroh** was born on September 11, 1769 in Wemlighausen. She died on October 16, 1819 in Wemlighausen.

Notes for Georg Ludwig Kroh:

Tenant in Jöstches house in Wemlighausen.

Georg Ludwig Kroh and Anna Elisabeth Kroh had the following children:

- i. Anna Katherine Kroh was born on April 29, 1807 in Wemlighausen. She died on January 03, 1867 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Henrich Lauber** on March 30, 1824. He was born on October 20, 1794 in Girkhausen (Hoheleye). He died on March 26, 1871 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Anna Katherine Kroh:

Born in Jöstes house in Wemlighausen.

- 5. ii. Anna Elisabeth Kroh was born on December 31, 1814 in Wemlighausen. She died on March 31, 1878 in Wunderthausen. She married **Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel** on November 17, 1839 in Wunderthausen. He was born on February 09, 1802 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 16, 1876 in Wunderthausen.
12. **Johann Ludwig Riedesel**, son of Johann Georg Riedesel and Catherine Elisabeth Fuchs, was born on January 27, 1805 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 29, 1869 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Benfer** on September 16, 1827 in Wunderthausen.
13. **Anna Elisabeth Benfer**, daughter of Henrich Ludwig Benfer and Anna Elisabeth Trapp, was born on May 11, 1805 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 10, 1868 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Ludwig Riedesel:

Born in Weymers Haus, but became a forester and tenant in Försters hinter der Huthe in Wunderthausen.

Johann Ludwig Riedesel and Anna Elisabeth Benfer had the following children:

- i. Ludwig Riedesel was born on February 24, 1826 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 01, 1891 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Catharina Fuchs** on July 03, 1853 in Wunderthausen. She was born on December 09, 1830 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 28, 1907 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Ludwig Riedesel:

Born in and tenant in Försters hinter der Huthe in Wunderthausen. Three of the youngest children went to America.

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6. ii. Johann Georg Riedesel was born on February 26, 1828 in Wunderthausen. He died in 1927 in Wemlighausen (?). He married **Anna Elisabeth Dickel** on April 24, 1853. She was born on November 24, 1828 in Wemlighausen. She died on August 28, 1885. He married **Elisabeth Riedesel** on May 22, 1887. She was born on November 09, 1863 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 21, 1945.
- iii. Anna Catharina Riedesel was born on May 28, 1830 in Wunderthausen. She married **Georg Heinrich Wagner** on November 02, 1851 in Girkhausen. He was born on September 03, 1922 in Mollseifen.
- Notes for Anna Catharina Riedesel:  
Born in Försters hinter der Huthe
- iv. Johann Heinrich Riedesel was born on December 06, 1832 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 13, 1917 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Magdalena Kroh** on July 29, 1855 in Wunderthausen. She was born about 1831.
- v. Georg Hermann Riedesel was born on October 07, 1835 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 16, 1890 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen** on October 25, 1863 in Wunderthausen. She was born on December 24, 1836 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 20, 1898 in Wunderthausen.
- Notes for Georg Hermann Riedesel:  
Born in Försters Haus in Wunderthausen but became the tenant in "Am Kloster" through marriage.
- vi. Maria Elisabeth Riedesel was born on November 11, 1838 in Wunderthausen. She married ?? She married **Friedrich Hellweg** on August 06, 1865 in Girkhausen. He was born in 1836.
- vii. Wilhelmine Riedesel was born on March 19, 1841 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 23, 1863 in Wunderthausen. She married **Friedrich Hellweg** on June 07, 1863 in Girkhausen. He was born in 1836.
- viii. Georg Riedesel was born on June 28, 1844 in Wunderthausen. He married **Philippine Christine Dettke** She was born in Berleburg.
- ix. Elisabeth Riedesel was born on June 04, 1846 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Georg Homrighausen** on October 27, 1867 in Girkhausen. He was born on May 28, 1826.
14. **Johannes Ludwig Dickel**, son of Johann Philipp Dickel and Anna Catharina Spies, was born on January 12, 1791 in Rüsselsbach. He died on January 31, 1844. He married **Anna Elisabeth Lückel**
15. **Anna Elisabeth Lückel**, daughter of Heinrich Lückel and Katharina Rath, was born on March 25, 1796 in Wemlighausen. She died on March 21, 1877 in Wemlighausen.

Johannes Ludwig Dickel and Anna Elisabeth Lückel had the following child:

7. i. Anna Elisabeth Dickel was born on November 24, 1828 in Wemlighausen. She died on August 28, 1885. She married **Johann Georg Riedesel** on April 24, 1853. He was born on February 26, 1828 in Wunderthausen. He died in 1927 in Wemlighausen (?). She married **Johann Georg Dickel** He was born on May 29, 1820. He died on March 20, 1852 in Rüsselsbach.

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16. **Johannes Riedesel**, son of Georg Gabriel Riedesel and Elisabeth Gertraud Weller, was born on August 27, 1753 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 19, 1835 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Elisabeth Dienst** on April 21, 1776 in Wunderthausen.
17. **Maria Elisabeth Dienst**, daughter of Johannes Dienst and Maria Magdalena Pott, was born on February 26, 1755 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 07, 1805 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Riedesel:

Born into Weymers Haus and became the tenant. He was the second person to serve as schoolmaster in Wunderthausen. There was no school building so classes were held in one or another house, which was not very satisfactory. The teaching position was very much a side-job, though suggests he was more literate than average.

Notes for Maria Elisabeth Dienst:

Born in Linde Haus in Wunderthausen.

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Johannes Riedesel and Maria Elisabeth Dienst had the following children:

- i. Johann Franz Riedesel was born on August 21, 1774 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 14, 1843 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Margarete Fuchs** on December 11, 1800 in Wunderthausen. She was born on January 11, 1777 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 26, 1840 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Franz Riedesel:

Born in Weymers Haus but became the tenant in Seimes.

- ii. Maria Juliana Riedesel was born on March 31, 1777 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 04, 1777 in Wunderthausen.
8. iii. Johann Georg Riedesel was born on June 02, 1778 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 15, 1857 in Wunderthausen. He married **Catherine Elisabeth Fuchs** on December 11, 1800 in Wunderthausen. She was born on December 22, 1778 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 22, 1845 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel was born on March 02, 1781 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 14, 1852 in Wunderthausen. She married **Georg Ludwig Schneider** on December 11, 1800 in Wunderthausen. He was born on December 28, 1783 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 08, 1837 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel:

Born in Weymers Haus in Wunderthausen.

- v. Ludwig Riedesel was born on February 21, 1784 in Wunderthausen. He died in 1847 in Galion, Crawford, Ohio. He married **Florentine Althaus** on February 08, 1818 in Wunderthausen. She was born on April 08, 1792 in Wunderthausen. She died in 1847 in Galion, Crawford, Ohio.

Notes for Ludwig Riedesel:

He was born in Weymers Haus in Wunderthausen but married into Haase Haus. This was one of the smaller houses in the village. It was unusual for a man his age to emigrate, but the greater opportunities for his four sons (and already married daughter) may have been compelling. The house and property (meagre, I think) were sold to J. Daniel Müsse from Jochums Haus. Most of the family traveled to New York, landing on June 7, 1845. Son J. Ludwig had gone the year before, and they brought with them his fiancée, Catherine Schneider. All settled in Crawford County, Ohio.

Ludwig and Florentine died around 1847-1848, reportedly in an epidemic of some kind (cholera?) along with their daughter-in-law and at least one grandchild. They were interred in a private cemetery probably belonging to the Gerhardts. Its identity is long lost but we are reasonably certain where it is.

- vi. Johannes Riedesel was born on June 24, 1787 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 16, 1812 in Stetti.

Notes for Johannes Riedesel:

He died in a military hospital in Stettin, a once German city now "Szczecin" in Poland. He was a conscript in the army with which Napoleon fatally invaded Russia. The French had taken over Wittgenstein years before so the peasants were subject to both heavy taxes and conscription.

- vii. Maria Amalia Riedesel was born on January 18, 1789 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 19, 1846 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Philipp Schneider** on May 05, 1811 in Wunderthausen. He was born on September 21, 1788 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 22, 1838 in Wunderthausen.
- viii. Maria Juliana Riedesel was born on June 30, 1791 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 22, 1836 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johannes Mörchen** on June 19, 1830 in Wunderthausen. He was born on March 02, 1796 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 22, 1836 in Wunderthausen.
18. **Johann Ludwig Fuchs**, son of Johann Georg Ludwig Fuchs and Anna Margarethe Riedesel, was born on May 05, 1751 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 18, 1801 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen** on January 12, 1776 in Wunderthausen.
19. **Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen**, daughter of Johannes Homrighausen and Anna Maria Amalia

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Delcourt, was born on October 22, 1757 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 25, 1793 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Ludwig Fuchs:

Grew up in Gondermanns Haus but became the tenant of Seimes through marriage.

Johann Ludwig Fuchs and Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen had the following children:

- i. Anna Margarete Fuchs was born on January 11, 1777 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 26, 1840 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Franz Riedesel** on December 11, 1800 in Wunderthausen. He was born on August 21, 1774 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 14, 1843 in Wunderthausen.
9. ii. Catherine Elisabeth Fuchs was born on December 22, 1778 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 22, 1845 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Georg Riedesel** on December 11, 1800 in Wunderthausen. He was born on June 02, 1778 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 15, 1857 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Elisabeth Amalia Fuchs was born on December 12, 1780 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 01, 1781 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Maria Elisabeth Fuchs was born on January 23, 1782 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 14, 1782 in Wunderthausen.
- v. Johann Ludwig Fuchs was born on May 02, 1783 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 28, 1784 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Florentine Fuchs was born on April 13, 1785 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 09, 1800 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Georg Ludwig Fuchs was born on February 01, 1787 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 27, 1788 in Wunderthausen.
- viii. Elisabeth Gertraud Fuchs was born on July 02, 1790 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 10, 1853 in Wunderthausen.
- ix. Johann Georg Fuchs was born on February 08, 1792 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 23, 1834 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Amalia Knoche** on October 03, 1824 in Wunderthausen. She was born on November 28, 1796 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 21, 1847 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Fuchs:

Master joiner, born in Seimes house. Took over Lotzes house which from then on was known as Fuchs house.

- x. Catherine Elisabeth Fuchs was born on December 22, 1793. She married **Johann Jost Munker** on October 18, 1824. He was born in Krombach, Siegen.
24. **Johann Georg Riedesel**, son of Johannes Riedesel and Maria Elisabeth Dienst, was born on June 02, 1778 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 15, 1857 in Wunderthausen. He married **Catherine Elisabeth Fuchs** on December 11, 1800 in Wunderthausen.
25. **Catherine Elisabeth Fuchs**, daughter of Johann Ludwig Fuchs and Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen, was born on December 22, 1778 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 22, 1845 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Riedesel:

Born in and tenant in Weymers Haus, Wunderthausen.

Johann Georg Riedesel and Catherine Elisabeth Fuchs had the following children:

4. i. Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel was born on February 09, 1802 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 16, 1876 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Kroh** on November 17, 1839 in Wunderthausen. She was born on December 31, 1814 in Wemlighausen. She died on March 31, 1878 in Wunderthausen.
12. ii. Johann Ludwig Riedesel was born on January 27, 1805 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 29, 1869 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Benfer** on September 16, 1827 in Wunderthausen. She was born on May 11, 1805 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 10, 1868 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Elisabeth Amalia Riedesel was born on April 24, 1808 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 04, 1815 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Johannes Riedesel was born on October 20, 1810 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 30, 1873 in Cherokee, Iowa. He married **Maria Katherine Repp** on April 01, 1840 in Oxford,

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Warren, New Jersey. She was born in 1820 in Aßlar, Germany. She died on May 29, 1869 in Clinton County, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

Notes for Johannes Riedesel:

Born in Weymers Haus in Wunderthausen. He came to America in March 1837 according to his naturalization record in Warren County, New Jersey. For whatever reasons, he and other Riedesels living there began to be called "Riddle" or "Radle."

He lived near Oxford (Furnace) where he was married and the children were born. In the mid-1860s the family moved out to Wheatland, Iowa, the home of dozens of fellow immigrants from Wunderthausen. When Maria died in 1869, she was buried as Catherine Riedesel even though they were otherwise called Radle. John and the younger children moved on to Cherokee County, Iowa after 1870 where they used the name Radle. But even among them, the spelling varied. Several of the older children moved back east but all but Margaret lived at least for a while around Wheatland. This obituary implies that all was not well within the family.

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John Radle, of Silver Township, shot dead by his own Hand!

At about six o'clock last Monday morning, John Radle, living in Silver township, near the Morgan School House, this county, shot him self with a rifle. From the testimony of the witnesses before the Coroner inquest, held at one o'clock, p.m., of the same day, we deduce as follows John Radle, deceased, went out to the barn yard that morning, turned the cows out, re-entered the house and went up stairs. Shortly after he had ascended the stairs, the report of gun was heard. His two daughters at the time were in a room on the first floor. They rushed out and cried "Pa has shot himself !" A son, Frederick Radle, and hired man were at the barn, and at once hurried up stairs. The words of the frightened daughters were only too true there lay the gray-haired father in his own blood-dead! The butt end of the rifle was resting upon a bed, the muzzle being under his body. Near by was a long piece of timber which had previously laid up in the vicinity of the rafters, and one side was covered with dust. At one end finger marks were distinctly visible. The conclusion was that the deceased had placed the butt end of the rifle upon the bed, having previously cocked the trigger, and with the strip of timber, discharged the contents the ball entering his heart. The body lay untouched until about the time of the inquisition. E. P. Purcell, acting as special constable, summoned a jury, who, after an examination into the cause of deceased's death, before J. D. F. Smith, acting coroner, rendered the following

#### VERDICT

STATE OF IOWA, )CHEROKEE COUNTY. An inquisition holden at John Radle's house in Silver township, Cherokee County, on the 30th day of June A.D. 1873, before J. D. F. Smith, justice of the Peace acting as Coroner, upon the body of John Radle, there lying dead, by the jurors whose names are hereto subscribed. The said jurors upon their oaths, do say after having; heard the evidence and examined said body, we do find that the deceased did come to his death by a ball or shot, fired from a gun in his own hand, said ball or shot taking effect about two inches to the right of the left nipple, on the person of the said John Radle. Given under our hands this 30th, day of June A.D. 1873. JAMES JENNESS, J. M. SMITH, ELIAS DUDS,

Deceased, is supposed to have been driven to this self destructive step by family trouble, having a few days before threatened his children to lay his own hands on himself if he was not more favored in the control of the farm affairs. He was in the 60th year of his age. Deceased was a native of Germany. He lived several years in New Jersey and at the close of the war became a resident of Scranton, Pa. From Pennsylvania he removed to Clinton County, Iowa, four years ago, and thence to Silver Township, this county, last September.

- v. Anna Catherine Riedesel was born on February 14, 1813 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 16, 1881 in Wunderthausen. She married **Georg Ludwig Strackbein** on November 17, 1839 in Wunderthausen. He was born on March 12, 1821 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 11, 1881 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Johann Georg Riedesel was born on January 13, 1816 in Wunderthausen. He died on

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February 01, 1872 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Florentine Lauber** on November 01, 1846 in Wunderthausen. She was born on October 28, 1821 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 13, 1907 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Riedesel:

Founded the house Auf dem Landebach.

vii. Catherine Elisabeth Riedesel was born on August 02, 1818 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 29, 1823 in Wunderthausen.

viii. Florentine Riedesel was born on October 27, 1820 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 22, 1876. She married **Johannes Fuchs** on December 17, 1843 in Wunderthausen. He was born on November 20, 1817 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 04, 1893 in Wunderthausen.

26. **Henrich Ludwig Benfer**, son of Johann Henrich Benfer and Maria Catharina Schröder, was born on June 10, 1781 in Girkhausen. He died on June 09, 1838 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Trapp** on June 01, 1804 in Wunderthausen.

27. **Anna Elisabeth Trapp**, daughter of Georg Gabriel Trapp and Anna Elisabeth Gernand, was born on September 29, 1782 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 27, 1850 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Henrich Ludwig Benfer:

Born in Girkhausen, became underforester and tenant in Försters hinter der Huthe, Wunderthausen.

Henrich Ludwig Benfer and Anna Elisabeth Trapp had the following children:

13. i. Anna Elisabeth Benfer was born on May 11, 1805 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 10, 1868 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Ludwig Riedesel** on September 16, 1827 in Wunderthausen. He was born on January 27, 1805 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 29, 1869 in Wunderthausen.

ii. Albrecht Benfer was born on December 30, 1827.

28. **Johann Philipp Dickel**, son of Johann Georg Dickel and Elisabeth Gertraud Dickel, was born on March 06, 1764. He died on September 27, 1837 in Wingshausen. He married **Anna Catharina Spies**

29. **Anna Catharina Spies**, daughter of Elias Spies and Anna Catharina Fröbe, was born on August 23, 1771 in Girkhausen. She died on March 20, 1848 in Rüsselsbach.

Johann Philipp Dickel and Anna Catharina Spies had the following child:

14. i. Johannes Ludwig Dickel was born on January 12, 1791 in Rüsselsbach. He died on January 31, 1844. He married **Anna Elisabeth Lückel** She was born on March 25, 1796 in Wemlighausen. She died on March 21, 1877 in Wemlighausen.

30. **Heinrich Lückel**, son of Georg Wilhelm Lückel and Katharina Dickel, was born on December 09, 1764 in Wemlighausen. He died on April 01, 1831 in Wemlighausen. He married **Katharina Rath** on February 08, 1790 in Berleburg.

31. **Katharina Rath**, daughter of Daniel Rath and Elisabeth Böhl, was born on October 24, 1768 in Wemlighausen. She died on February 27, 1839 in Wemlighausen.

Heinrich Lückel and Katharina Rath had the following child:

15. i. Anna Elisabeth Lückel was born on March 25, 1796 in Wemlighausen. She died on March 21, 1877 in Wemlighausen. She married **Johannes Ludwig Dickel** He was born on January 12, 1791 in Rüsselsbach. He died on January 31, 1844.

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32. **Georg Gabriel Riedesel**, son of Wilhelm Riedesel and Anna Margarethe Spies, was born on January 04, 1715 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 13, 1781 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Weller** on February 04, 1752 in Girkhausen.

33. **Elisabeth Gertraud Weller**, daughter of Johann Phillip Weller and Anna Gertraud Trapp, was born on August 27, 1726 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 21, 1780 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Gabriel Riedesel:

Married into Wetezels house and later to Weymers Haus from Gundermanns. Through his two marriages he is the progenitor of a large majority of Riedesels in the U.S. He is sometimes listed as Johann Gabriel, but was in any case almost certainly known as Gabriel.

Notes for Elisabeth Gertraud Weller:

Born in Weymers Haus, the tenancy of which passed to her husband.

Georg Gabriel Riedesel and Elisabeth Gertraud Weller had the following children:

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16. i. Johannes Riedesel was born on August 27, 1753 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 19, 1835 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Elisabeth Dienst** on April 21, 1776 in Wunderthausen. She was born on February 26, 1755 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 07, 1805 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Anna Margarethe Riedesel was born on December 19, 1756 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 20, 1819 in Langewiese. She married **Johannes Spies** on September 06, 1781 in Girkhausen. He was born on March 09, 1743 in Langewiese. He died on October 08, 1806 in Langewiese.
- iii. Johann Georg Riedesel was born on March 06, 1760 in Wunderthausen. He died in Prob. America. He married **Florentine Spies** She was born in 1759 in Girkhausen.
- Notes for Johann Georg Riedesel:  
Granted permission to emigrate to the United States in 1796/97. It is not absolutely certain that he left and no records of him or any progeny have surfaced in the U.S. One reading of his baptismal record is with the name Ludwig.
- iv. Maria Juliana Riedesel was born on January 31, 1763 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 15, 1763 in Wunderthausen.
- v. Georg Ludwig Riedesel was born on May 21, 1764 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 23, 1764 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Georg Gabriel Riedesel was born on June 09, 1765 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 28, 1833 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catharina Florentine Beitzel** on January 13, 1793 in Wunderthausen. She was born on October 13, 1749 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 24, 1793 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Elisabeth Gernand** on January 28, 1800 in Diedenshausen. She was born on March 15, 1777 in Diedenshausen. She died on December 20, 1839 in Diedenshausen.
- Notes for Georg Gabriel Riedesel:  
Born in Weimers Haus in Wunderthausen but became the tenant in Pauls Haus in Diedenshausen. He left for America in 1796, but returned in 1799.
- vii. Georg Franz Riedesel was born on February 19, 1769 in Wunderthausen.
- Notes for Georg Franz Riedesel:  
Believed to have gone to America in 1796. It's a good guess that he was absorbed into the Baltimore community, though other Wittgensteiners settled in Pennsylvania as well.
- viii. Anna Catherina Elisabeth Riedesel was born on February 15, 1773 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 24, 1847 in Wunderthausen. She married **Ludwig Heinrich Strackbein** on July 23, 1796 in Wunderthausen. He was born on August 26, 1771 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 06, 1826 in Wunderthausen.
34. **Johannes Dienst**, son of Johannes Dienst and Catherine Elisabeth Spies, was born on August 11, 1719 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 18, 1784 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Magdalena Pott** in 1747 in Wunderthausen.
35. **Maria Magdalena Pott**, daughter of Johann Valentin Pott and Anna Maria Magdalena Spies, was born on August 07, 1724 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 01, 1800 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Dienst:  
Tenant in Linde Haus.

Notes for Maria Magdalena Pott:  
Born in Beitzels Haus.

Johannes Dienst and Maria Magdalena Pott had the following children:

- i. Anna Elisabeth Gertraudt Dienst was born on December 09, 1747 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 15, 1784 in Wunderthausen. She married **Georg Gabriel Homrighausen** on January 17, 1766 in Wunderthausen. He was born on March 14, 1739 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 09, 1799 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Johann Franz Dienst was born on April 27, 1749 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 19, 1827 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen** on January 18, 1782 in Wunderthausen. She was born on August 27, 1759 in Diedenshausen. She died on

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April 29, 1835 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Franz Dienst:

Born in and tenant in Linde Haus, Wunderthausen.

- iii. Catharina Dienst was born on February 26, 1751 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 24, 1752 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Johannes Dienst was born on December 01, 1752 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 06, 1753 in Wunderthausen.
- v. Johannes Dienst was born on January 25, 1754 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 29, 1754 in Wunderthausen.
- 17. vi. Maria Elisabeth Dienst was born on February 26, 1755 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 07, 1805 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johannes Riedesel** on April 21, 1776 in Wunderthausen. He was born on August 27, 1753 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 19, 1835 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Maria Magdalena Dienst was born on March 16, 1757 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 21, 1758 in Wunderthausen.
- viii. Johannes Dienst was born on May 01, 1759 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 02, 1835 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Catharina Homrighausen** on January 18, 1789. She was born on September 18, 1763 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 29, 1814 in Diedenshausen.
- ix. Maria Magdalena Dienst was born on March 29, 1762 in Wunderthausen.
- x. Sebastian Dienst was born on February 14, 1765 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 04, 1833 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). He married **Anna Katharine Lauber** on October 23, 1789. She was born on July 25, 1766 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). She died on August 13, 1834 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen).

Notes for Sebastian Dienst:

Born in Linde Haus in Wunderthausen but married into a house in Girkhausen/Hoheleye.

- xi. Johann Georg Dienst was born on June 17, 1767 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 12, 1781 in Wunderthausen.
- xii. Johann Georg Dienst was born on March 08, 1770 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 27, 1770 in Wunderthausen.
- 36. **Johann Georg Ludwig Fuchs** was born on December 07, 1726 in Schüller. He died on November 08, 1791 in Wemlighausen. He married **Anna Margarethe Riedesel** on October 21, 1751 in Wemlighausen.
- 37. **Anna Margarethe Riedesel**, daughter of Wilhelm Riedesel and Anna Margarethe Spies, was born on May 16, 1725 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 08, 1771 in Wunderthausen.

Johann Georg Ludwig Fuchs and Anna Margarethe Riedesel had the following children:

- 18. i. Johann Ludwig Fuchs was born on May 05, 1751 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 18, 1801 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen** on January 12, 1776 in Wunderthausen. She was born on October 22, 1757 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 25, 1793 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Anna Katharina Fuchs was born on March 16, 1762 in Wemlighausen. She died on March 05, 1813 in Wemlighausen. She married **Johannes Böhl** He was born on February 12, 1766 in Wemlighausen. He died on November 29, 1821 in Wemlighausen.
- 38. **Johannes Homrighausen**, son of Johann Georg Homrighausen and Anna Maria Juliana Strackbein, was born on January 04, 1734 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 16, 1801 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Maria Amalia Delcourt** on October 14, 1755 in Wunderthausen.
- 39. **Anna Maria Amalia Delcourt**, daughter of Francois Delcourt and Catherina Elisabeth Homrighausen, was born on December 27, 1732 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 27, 1775 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Homrighausen:

Born in and tenant in the house known as Weißkopfs or Seimes.

Johannes Homrighausen and Anna Maria Amalia Delcourt had the following children:

- 19. i. Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen was born on October 22, 1757 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 25, 1793 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Ludwig Fuchs** on January 12, 1776 in Wunderthausen. He was born on May 05, 1751 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 18, 1801 in Wunderthausen.

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- ii. Catherine Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on August 17, 1760 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 22, 1764 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Johannes Homrighausen was born on November 05, 1763 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 25, 1807 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Elisabeth Haase** on July 22, 1804 in Wunderthausen. She was born on May 07, 1775 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 17, 1861 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Elisabeth Florentine Homrighausen was born on January 17, 1767 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 29, 1828 in Wunderthausen. She married **Georg Ludwig Wetter** on March 01, 1786 in Wunderthausen. He was born on January 17, 1770 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 16, 1803 in Wunderthausen. She married **Georg Martin Womelsdorf** on May 26, 1805 in Wunderthausen. He was born on March 09, 1773 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 14, 1849 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Elisabeth Florentine Homrighausen:

Born in Weißkopf's Haus.

- v. Georg Gabriel Homrighausen was born on January 17, 1770 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 03, 1803 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Amalia Wagner** on February 25, 1795 in Wunderthausen. She was born on December 15, 1776 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 31, 1807 in Wunderthausen.
  - vi. Maria Catherina Homrighausen was born on March 29, 1773 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 18, 1847 in Mollseifen. She married **Heinrich Vitt** on May 08, 1796.
52. **Johann Henrich Benfer** was born on July 01, 1738 in Girkhausen. He died on August 10, 1810 in Girkhausen. He married **Maria Catharina Schröder** on March 04, 1762 in Girkhausen.
53. **Maria Catharina Schröder** was born in 1740 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen. She died on June 11, 1804 in Girkhausen.

Johann Henrich Benfer and Maria Catharina Schröder had the following child:

- 26. i. Henrich Ludwig Benfer was born on June 10, 1781 in Girkhausen. He died on June 09, 1838 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Trapp** on June 01, 1804 in Wunderthausen. She was born on September 29, 1782 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 27, 1850 in Wunderthausen.
54. **Georg Gabriel Trapp**, son of Johannes Trapp and Anna Christina Hembler, was born on March 20, 1751 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 06, 1826 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Gernand** on June 05, 1777 in Wunderthausen.
55. **Anna Elisabeth Gernand**, daughter of Georg Ludwig Gernand and Anna Maria Hackenbracht, was born on November 10, 1754 in Diedenshausen. She died on May 10, 1809 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Gabriel Trapp:

Born in Bergmanns Haus, Wunderthausen; founded Bergschneiders vor der Huthe.

Georg Gabriel Trapp and Anna Elisabeth Gernand had the following child:

- 27. i. Anna Elisabeth Trapp was born on September 29, 1782 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 27, 1850 in Wunderthausen. She married **Henrich Ludwig Benfer** on June 01, 1804 in Wunderthausen. He was born on June 10, 1781 in Girkhausen. He died on June 09, 1838 in Wunderthausen.
56. **Johann Georg Dickel**, son of Johann Christian Dickel and Anna Margaretha Spies, was born on November 29, 1734 in Schüllar. He died on December 31, 1807 in Rüsselsbach. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Dickel**
57. **Elisabeth Gertraud Dickel** was born on November 05, 1736 in Girkhausen. She died on February 11, 1803 in Rüsselsbach.

Johann Georg Dickel and Elisabeth Gertraud Dickel had the following child:

- 28. i. Johann Philipp Dickel was born on March 06, 1764. He died on September 27, 1837 in Wingshausen. He married **Anna Catharina Spies** She was born on August 23, 1771 in Girkhausen. She died on March 20, 1848 in Rüsselsbach.
58. **Elias Spies**, son of Johannes Spies and Anna Margareta Lauber, was born on May 25, 1744 in Girkhausen. He died on March 03, 1814 in Girkhausen. He married **Anna Catharina Fröbe**
59. **Anna Catharina Fröbe**, daughter of Johannes Fröbe, was born on May 30, 1741 in Balde. She died on January 30, 1816 in Girkhausen.

Elias Spies and Anna Catharina Fröbe had the following child:

- 29. i. Anna Catharina Spies was born on August 23, 1771 in Girkhausen. She died on March 20,

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- 1848 in Rüsselsbach. She married **Johann Philipp Dickel** He was born on March 06, 1764. He died on September 27, 1837 in Wingshausen.
60. **Georg Wilhelm Lückel** was born on August 15, 1729 in Girkhausen. He married **Katharina Dickel** on March 19, 1756 in Berleburg.
61. **Katharina Dickel** was born on April 25, 1740 in Wemlighausen. She died on July 26, 1811 in Wemlighausen.
- Georg Wilhelm Lückel and Katharina Dickel had the following child:
30. i. **Heinrich Lückel** was born on December 09, 1764 in Wemlighausen. He died on April 01, 1831 in Wemlighausen. He married **Katharina Rath** on February 08, 1790 in Berleburg. She was born on October 24, 1768 in Wemlighausen. She died on February 27, 1839 in Wemlighausen.
62. **Daniel Rath** was born on August 23, 1739 in Aue. He died on October 12, 1809 in Wemlighausen. He married **Elisabeth Böhl** on July 27, 1764 in Berleburg.
63. **Elisabeth Böhl** was born on January 22, 1734.
- Daniel Rath and Elisabeth Böhl had the following child:
31. i. **Katharina Rath** was born on October 24, 1768 in Wemlighausen. She died on February 27, 1839 in Wemlighausen. She married **Heinrich Lückel** on February 08, 1790 in Berleburg. He was born on December 09, 1764 in Wemlighausen. He died on April 01, 1831 in Wemlighausen.

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64. **Wilhelm Riedesel**, son of Johannes Riedesel and Anna Elisabeth Womelsdorf, was born about 1678 in Girkhausen. He died on February 09, 1748 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Margarethe Spies** on August 16, 1703 in Girkhausen.
65. **Anna Margarethe Spies**, daughter of Johann Georg Spies and Anna Gertraud Homrighausen, was born on December 24, 1679 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Wilhelm Riedesel:

Baptised as Johann Wilhelm in Girkhausen (Pfaffe Haus), but known as Wilhelm. Married into Gundermanns Haus in Wunderthausen, one of the larger in the village. He was already paying taxes there in 1699 though did not marry until 1703.

Notes for Anna Margarethe Spies:

Born into Gundermanns Haus, the tenancy of which passed to her husband on her marriage.

Wilhelm Riedesel and Anna Margarethe Spies had the following children:

- i. **Johann Georg Riedesel** was born on April 15, 1704 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 15, 1760 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Knoche** on May 04, 1731 in Wunderthausen. She was born on January 20, 1712 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 23, 1787 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Riedesel:  
Heir to Gundermanns Haus.

- ii. **Liese Gertraudt Riedesel** was born on December 30, 1706 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. **Johannes Riedesel** was born on April 22, 1709 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 01, 1755 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Maria Gertraud Trapp** on February 22, 1745 in Wunderthausen. She was born on April 14, 1714 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 03, 1783 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Margarete Müsse** on May 17, 1734 in Wunderthausen. She was born about 1715 in Elsoff. She died on July 10, 1743 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Riedesel:  
Born in Gundermanns Haus and became the first tenant in Neuhäusers Haus at some point.

- iv. **Johann Ludwig Riedesel** was born on February 06, 1712 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 11, 1771 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Catharina Ruppert** on November 26, 1751 in Wunderthausen. She was born on June 27, 1724 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 06, 1794 in Wunderthausen.

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Notes for Johann Ludwig Riedesel:

Born in Gundermanns Haus, became tenant in Wetzels Haus in Wunderthausen.

- 32. v. Georg Gabriel Riedesel was born on January 04, 1715 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 13, 1781 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Weller** on February 04, 1752 in Girkhausen. She was born on August 27, 1726 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 21, 1780 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche** on July 10, 1740 in Girkhausen. She was born on October 21, 1704 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 21, 1749 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Samuel Riedesel was born on June 23, 1718 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel was born on May 14, 1720 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 16, 1764 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Georg Homrighausen** on September 05, 1751 in Wunderthausen. He was born on August 03, 1725 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 20, 1784 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Heinrich Pott** on January 06, 1747 in Wunderthausen. He was born in 1704 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 08, 1749 in Wunderthausen.
- 37. viii. Anna Margarethe Riedesel was born on May 16, 1725 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 08, 1771 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Georg Ludwig Fuchs** on October 21, 1751 in Wemlighausen. He was born on December 07, 1726 in Schüllar. He died on November 08, 1791 in Wemlighausen.
- 66. **Johann Phillip Weller**, son of Hans Georg Weller, was born about 1677 in Girkhausen. He died in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Gertraud Trapp** on April 01, 1712 in Wunderthausen.
- 67. **Anna Gertraud Trapp**, daughter of Theis Trapp and Anna Margaretha Spies, was born on April 29, 1694 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 04, 1754 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Phillip Weller:

Born in the village of Girkhausen but married into Weymers Haus in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Anna Gertraud Trapp:

Born in Weymers Haus, the tenancy of which passed to her husband.

Johann Phillip Weller and Anna Gertraud Trapp had the following children:

- i. Johann Jost Weller was born on March 01, 1716 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Johann Georg Weller was born on September 13, 1719 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Christina Weller was born on March 21, 1723 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 12, 1798 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Georg Trapp** on October 01, 1744 in Wunderthausen. He was born on June 27, 1718 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 01, 1787 in Wunderthausen.
- 33. iv. Elisabeth Gertraud Weller was born on August 27, 1726 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 21, 1780 in Wunderthausen. She married **Georg Gabriel Riedesel** on February 04, 1752 in Girkhausen. He was born on January 04, 1715 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 13, 1781 in Wunderthausen.
- v. Johann Heinrich Weller was born on April 09, 1730 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Johannes Weller was born on October 11, 1731 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Johannes Weller was born on January 02, 1735 in Wunderthausen.
- 68. **Johannes Dienst**, son of Johannes Dienst and Anna Justina Gärte, was born on July 18, 1694 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1734 in Wunderthausen. He married **Catherine Elisabeth Spies** on May 16, 1718 in Wunderthausen.
- 69. **Catherine Elisabeth Spies**, daughter of Sebastian Spies and Anna Elisabeth Benfer, was born on November 11, 1694 in Diedenshausen. She died before 1728 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Dienst:

Tenant in Linde Haus.

Notes for Catherine Elisabeth Spies:

Born in Diele or Schreiners Haus in Diedenshausen.

Johannes Dienst and Catherine Elisabeth Spies had the following children:

- 34. i. Johannes Dienst was born on August 11, 1719 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 18, 1784

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in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Magdalena Pott** in 1747 in Wunderthausen. She was born on August 07, 1724 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 01, 1800 in Wunderthausen.

- ii. Maria Magdalena Dienst was born on March 10, 1722 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Johann Heinrich Dienst was born on February 13, 1725 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.

70. **Johann Valentin Pott**, son of Curt Pott and Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen, was born on March 21, 1681 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 23, 1775 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Maria Magdalena Spies** on June 08, 1716 in Wunderthausen.

71. **Anna Maria Magdalena Spies**, daughter of Sebastian Spies and Anna Elisabeth Benfer, was born on March 13, 1692 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 18, 1760 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Valentin Pott:

Born in Kurts Haus but married into Beitzels and became the tenant.

Johann Valentin Pott and Anna Maria Magdalena Spies had the following children:

- i. Johannes Pott was born on August 15, 1718 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 16, 1763 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Womelsdorf** on June 20, 1738. She was born on November 22, 1720 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 22, 1773 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Catharina Elisabeth Pott was born on February 09, 1721 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Anna Elisabeth Pott was born on January 25, 1722 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 06, 1803 in Diedenshausen. She married **Sebastian Homrighausen** on February 16, 1742 in Diedenshausen. He was born on November 15, 1716 in Diedenshausen. He died on October 26, 1800 in Diedenshausen.
- 35. iv. Maria Magdalena Pott was born on August 07, 1724 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 01, 1800 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johannes Dienst** in 1747 in Wunderthausen. He was born on August 11, 1719 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 18, 1784 in Wunderthausen.
- v. Anna Gertraud Pott was born on January 20, 1727 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 21, 1805 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Georg Spies** on December 11, 1748 in Wunderthausen. He was born on December 27, 1720 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 20, 1787 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Georg Spies** on December 11, 1748.
- vi. Johann Hermann Pott was born on August 03, 1729 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 23, 1807 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Trapp** on October 29, 1751 in Wunderthausen. She was born on March 15, 1730 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 11, 1791 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Hermann Pott:

Born in Beitzels Haus, Wunderthausen, became the tenant in Mannes.

- vii. Johann Georg Pott was born on January 30, 1732 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 19, 1796 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Amalia Wagner** on May 28, 1775 in Wunderthausen. She was born on February 08, 1745 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 06, 1830 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Pott:

Born in Beitzels house, but eventually took over Beckers.

- viii. Franz Pott was born on March 06, 1734 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 15, 1792. He married **Florentine Pott** on November 17, 1755. She was born on September 28, 1739 in Girkhausen. She died on November 26, 1794.

76. **Johann Georg Homrighausen**, son of Johannes Homrighausen and Anna Liese Strackbein, was born on July 21, 1701 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 01, 1775 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Maria Juliana Strackbein** on January 23, 1728 in Wunderthausen.

77. **Anna Maria Juliana Strackbein**, daughter of Hans Georg Strackbein and Gertraud Knoche, was born on December 08, 1704 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 14, 1775 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Homrighausen:

Born in and tenant in Weißkopfs Haus, Wunderthausen.

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Notes for Anna Maria Juliana Strackbein:

It is uncertain which J. Georg Strackbein was her father.

Johann Georg Homrighausen and Anna Maria Juliana Strackbein had the following children:

- i. Katharina Homrighausen was born on October 21, 1730 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 21, 1795 in Wunderthausen.
- 38. ii. Johannes Homrighausen was born on January 04, 1734 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 16, 1801 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Maria Amalia Delcourt** on October 14, 1755 in Wunderthausen. She was born on December 27, 1732 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 27, 1775 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen was born on December 28, 1737 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 10, 1805 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Jost Mörchen** on November 18, 1757 in Wunderthausen. He was born on January 20, 1723 in Wunderthausen. He died on probably after 1788.

Notes for Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen:

Born in Weißkopfs Haus.

- iv. Georg Franz Homrighausen was born on February 15, 1741 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 16, 1826 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Riedesel** on October 10, 1769 in Wunderthausen. She was born on December 15, 1743 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 22, 1802 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Franz Homrighausen:

First tenant in Kellers Haus, Wunderthausen.

- v. Johann Franz Homrighausen was born on February 15, 1741 in Wunderthausen. He died in 1742 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Johann Werner Homrighausen was born on December 15, 1743 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 14, 1744 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Christine Homrighausen was born on December 23, 1744 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 30, 1770 in Wunderthausen.
- viii. Georg Gabriel Homrighausen was born on April 21, 1748 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 11, 1794 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Catharina Ruppert** on March 11, 1772. She was born on June 27, 1724 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 06, 1794 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Gabriel Homrighausen:

Born in Seimes house but took over Wetzels by marriage.

- 78. **Francois Delcourt**, son of Jacob Delcourt and Anna Elisabeth ??, was born in 1704. He died on November 14, 1755 in Wunderthausen. He married **Catherina Elisabeth Homrighausen** on April 14, 1732 in Wunderthausen.
- 79. **Catherina Elisabeth Homrighausen**, daughter of Johann Jakob Homrighausen and Catherina Elisabeth Weller, was born on March 12, 1706 in Diedenshausen. She died on March 14, 1770 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Francois Delcourt:

Also recorded as Frabz. He appeared in Wunderthausen in the early 1700s. While presumably of French Huguenot origins, we do not know where he was born. He appears to be the ancestor of all Delcourts in Wittgenstein, though the surname disappeared by the later 1800s.

Wittgenstein was a refuge to a variety of religious dissenters who were persecuted elsewhere. He is described as having been a physician, and people still remember old medical texts (in French) in the house. The identity of his parents is a matter of speculation. Church records include the death of Anna Elisabeth Delcourt, the widow of Jacob Delcourt; there were no other Delcourts in Wunderthausen at the time as far as we know.

Francois Delcourt and Catherina Elisabeth Homrighausen had the following children:

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39. i. Anna Maria Amalia Delcourt was born on December 27, 1732 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 27, 1775 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johannes Homrighausen** on October 14, 1755 in Wunderthausen. He was born on January 04, 1734 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 16, 1801 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Christina Florentine Delcourt was born on February 02, 1735 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 02, 1749 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Johannes Delcourt was born on April 06, 1737 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 16, 1775 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Margarete Ruppert** on December 28, 1757 in Wunderthausen. She was born on December 11, 1737 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 20, 1792 in Wunderthausen.
- Notes for Johannes Delcourt:  
Born in and became the tenant in Franzose Haus in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Maria Catherine Delcourt was born on November 28, 1742 in Wunderthausen. She died in 1746 in Wunderthausen.
- v. Johann Philipp Delcourt was born on February 24, 1746 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 03, 1806 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Catharina Elisabeth Wetzel** on March 04, 1777 in Wunderthausen. She was born on April 23, 1759 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 16, 1797 in Wunderthausen.
- Notes for Johann Philipp Delcourt:  
Born in Franzose house, married into Auf der Leye.  
Born in Franzosehaus in Wunderthausen, became the tenant in Auf der Leye.
- vi. Maria Catherine Delcourt was born on September 18, 1748 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Heinrich Ruppert** He was born on May 03, 1755 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 18, 1796 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Georg Ludwig Delcourt was born on November 10, 1750 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 12, 1751 in Wunderthausen.
108. **Johannes Trapp**, son of Johannes Trapp and Anna Gertraud Strackbein, was born on September 27, 1710 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 16, 1776 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Christina Hembler** on November 10, 1737 in Wunderthausen.
109. **Anna Christina Hembler**, daughter of Johann Konrad Hembler, was born on May 02, 1716 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 28, 1789 in Wunderthausen.
- Johannes Trapp and Anna Christina Hembler had the following children:
- i. Anna Elisabeth Trapp was born on August 24, 1738 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 26, 1802 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Arndt Spies** on November 26, 1756 in Wunderthausen. He was born on December 10, 1732 in Wunderthausen.
- Notes for Anna Elisabeth Trapp:  
The identities of Anna Elisabeth and Anna Gertraud are confused in the church records. The transcript says that Anna Gertraud married Arndt Spies in 1756, but she would only have been 14-15 years old. The marriage date makes more sense for the older sister; what is confusing is that burial record of the widow of Arndt Spies in 1802 says she was 61 (thus born when Anna Gertraud was). But other records show an Anna Gertraud Trapp marrying Elias Zoode after having his child in 1765. The Girkhausen Dorfbuch (1970 also lists Elias as being married to Anna Gertraud. I lean toward the conclusion that Anna Elisabeth married Arndt Spies and Anna Gertraud married Elias Zoode.
- ii. Anna Gertraud Trapp was born on November 16, 1741 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 19, 1800 in Girkhausen. She married **Elias Zoode** on July 31, 1766 in Girkhausen. He was born on July 15, 1738 in Girkhausen. He died on June 29, 1768 in Girkhausen.
54. iii. Georg Gabriel Trapp was born on March 20, 1751 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 06, 1826 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Gernand** on June 05, 1777 in Wunderthausen. She was born on November 10, 1754 in Diedenshausen. She died on May 10, 1809 in Wunderthausen.
110. **Georg Ludwig Gernand**, son of Johann Hermann Gernand and Catharina Elisabeth Benfer, was born on August 27, 1723 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 09, 1805 in Homrighausen. He married **Anna Maria Hackenbracht**
111. **Anna Maria Hackenbracht**, daughter of Johannes Hackenbracht and Catharina Elisabeth Benfer, was

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born on August 08, 1726 in Diedenshausen. She died on October 28, 1788 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Georg Ludwig Gernand:

Born in Pauls Haus, Diedenshausen. Worked and lived as a shepherd in Wemlighausen.

Notes for Anna Maria Hackenbracht:

Born in Schulze Haus, Diedenshausen.

Georg Ludwig Gernand and Anna Maria Hackenbracht had the following child:

- 55. i. Anna Elisabeth Gernand was born on November 10, 1754 in Diedenshausen. She died on May 10, 1809 in Wunderthausen. She married **Georg Gabriel Trapp** on June 05, 1777 in Wunderthausen. He was born on March 20, 1751 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 06, 1826 in Wunderthausen.

- 112. **Johann Christian Dickel** was born on March 25, 1688 in Girkhausen. He died on December 26, 1770 in Schüller. He married **Anna Margaretha Spies**

- 113. **Anna Margaretha Spies** was born on January 25, 1694 in Girkhausen. She died on May 28, 1775 in Schüller.

Johann Christian Dickel and Anna Margaretha Spies had the following child:

- 56. i. Johann Georg Dickel was born on November 29, 1734 in Schüller. He died on December 31, 1807 in Rüsselsbach. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Dickel** She was born on November 05, 1736 in Girkhausen. She died on February 11, 1803 in Rüsselsbach.

- 116. **Johannes Spies** was born on July 01, 1706 in Girkhausen. He died on May 30, 1758 in Girkhausen. He married **Anna Margareta Lauber**

- 117. **Anna Margareta Lauber** was born on July 01, 1707 in Girkhausen. She died on December 29, 1757 in Girkhausen.

Johannes Spies and Anna Margareta Lauber had the following child:

- 58. i. Elias Spies was born on May 25, 1744 in Girkhausen. He died on March 03, 1814 in Girkhausen. He married **Anna Catharina Fröbe** She was born on May 30, 1741 in Balde. She died on January 30, 1816 in Girkhausen.

- 118. **Johannes Fröbe**

Johannes Fröbe had the following child:

- 59. i. Anna Catharina Fröbe was born on May 30, 1741 in Balde. She died on January 30, 1816 in Girkhausen. She married **Elias Spies** He was born on May 25, 1744 in Girkhausen. He died on March 03, 1814 in Girkhausen.

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- 128. **Johannes Riedesel**, son of Hederich Riedesel and ??, was born about 1640 in Melbach. He died about 1705 in Girkhausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Womelsdorf** on February 18, 1664 in Raumland.

- 129. **Anna Elisabeth Womelsdorf**, daughter of Johannes Womelsdorf, was born about 1639 in Girkhausen. She died on December 12, 1747 in Girkhausen.

Notes for Johannes Riedesel:

Born in Melbach and that is where he and Anna Maria first lived after marrying. Following the death of her father, they took over Pfaffe house in Girkhausen.

Johannes Riedesel and Anna Elisabeth Womelsdorf had the following children:

- i. Georg Mannus Riedesel was born about 1664 in Melbach. He died on October 17, 1741 in Girkhausen. He married **Catharina Elisabeth Dickel** before 1696 in Girkhausen. She was born about 1671 in Girkhausen. She died on February 22, 1750 in Girkhausen.

Notes for Georg Mannus Riedesel:

Referred to as Hermann in church records. He became the tenant in Pfaffe house in Girkhausen.

- ii. Sebastian Riedesel was born about 1670 in Melbach.
- iii. Johann Reinhard Riedesel was born about 1675 in Girkhausen. He died on January 15, 1754 in Girkhausen. He married **Elisabeth Schüßler** on February 25, 1708 in Elsoff. She was born in 1673.

Notes for Johann Reinhard Riedesel:

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Built the house in Girkhausen known as Pfaffe-Reinhardt or Pfaffereinerts.

- 64. iv. Wilhelm Riedesel was born about 1678 in Girkhausen. He died on February 09, 1748 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Margarethe Spies** on August 16, 1703 in Girkhausen. She was born on December 24, 1679 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- 130. **Johann Georg Spies**, son of Valentin Spies, was born about 1648 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1698 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Gertraud Homrighausen** on May 13, 1678 in Girkhausen.
- 131. **Anna Gertraud Homrighausen**, daughter of Johannes Homrighausen, was born about 1650 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Spies:

Born in Schmeds house, took over Gundermanns by marriage. It was long believed that he was the son of Gundermann Spies, but expert opinion is that he was in fact the son of Valentin Spies and an unnamed mother.

Notes for Anna Gertraud Homrighausen:

From Seimes Haus in Wunderthausen.

Johann Georg Spies and Anna Gertraud Homrighausen had the following children:

- 65. i. Anna Margarethe Spies was born on December 24, 1679 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen. She married **Wilhelm Riedesel** on August 16, 1703 in Girkhausen. He was born about 1678 in Girkhausen. He died on February 09, 1748 in Wunderthausen.
  - ii. Catherine Elisabeth Spies was born on June 20, 1682 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740.
  - iii. Anna Gertraud Spies was born on March 08, 1685 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740.
  - iv. Maria Juliana Spies was born on October 02, 1687 in Wunderthausen. She died in 1723 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Jacob Beitzel** on April 01, 1720. He was born on September 07, 1697 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 28, 1752 in Wunderthausen.
  - v. Daughter Spies was born on March 19, 1691.
  - vi. Johannes Spies was born on September 08, 1694 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 19, 1774 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Gertraudt Strackbein** She was born on July 14, 1702 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 30, 1769 in Wunderthausen.
  - vii. Anna Elisabeth Spies was born on July 14, 1697 in Wunderthausen.
132. **Hans Georg Weller** was born in 1620 in Diedenshausen. He died in 1699 in Girkhausen.

Hans Georg Weller had the following child:

- 66. i. Johann Phillip Weller was born about 1677 in Girkhausen. He died in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Gertraud Trapp** on April 01, 1712 in Wunderthausen. She was born on April 29, 1694 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 04, 1754 in Wunderthausen.
134. **Theis Trapp**, son of Johannes Trapp and Margretha Weymer, was born in 1670 in Wunderthausen. He died between 1709–1711 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Margaretha Spies** on January 03, 1694.
135. **Anna Margaretha Spies**, daughter of Valentin Spies, was born about 1670 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 23, 1741 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Theis Trapp:

Born in and tenant in Weymers house. Properly Matthias.

Notes for Anna Margaretha Spies:

Born in Schmeds house.

Theis Trapp and Anna Margaretha Spies had the following children:

- 67. i. Anna Gertraud Trapp was born on April 29, 1694 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 04, 1754 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Phillip Weller** on April 01, 1712 in Wunderthausen. He was born about 1677 in Girkhausen. He died in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Jacob Boshoff** on July 22, 1737. He was born on March 28, 1703 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 16, 1762 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Catharina Elisabetha Trapp was born on July 13, 1697 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Anna Margretha Trapp was born about 1700 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Johann Georg Trapp was born on October 02, 1702 in Wunderthausen. He died on October

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28, 1775 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Maria Mörchen** on October 26, 1738 in Wunderthausen. She was born about 1715 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 29, 1778 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Trapp:

Born in Weymers, founded Schusters house.

- v. AntonyAntonius Trapp was born on November 27, 1704 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 08, 1741 in Langewiese. He married **Maria Elisabeth Spies** She was born on August 22, 1708 in Waldeck (Twiste). She died on October 18, 1740 in Langewiese.

Notes for AntonyAntonius Trapp:

Settled in Langewiese.

- 136. **Johannes Dienst**, son of Johannes Dienst and ??, was born about 1658 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1740 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Justina Gärte** on March 13, 1684 in Wunderthausen.
- 137. **Anna Justina Gärte**, daughter of Franz Garte and Loysa Henk, was born about 1665 in Arfeld. She died after October 30, 1708 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Dienst:

Lived in Linde Haus. Members of the Dienst family lived in this house as early as 1610. It is one of the oldest in Wunderthausen.

Johannes Dienst and Anna Justina Gärte had the following children:

- i. Anna Christina Dienst was born on July 18, 1686 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740.
- ii. Johann Philipp Dienst was born on October 19, 1692 in Wunderthausen.
- 68. iii. Johannes Dienst was born on July 18, 1694 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1734 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Strackbein** on June 20, 1727 in Wunderthausen. She was born on January 04, 1708 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 30, 1752 in Wunderthausen. He married **Catherine Elisabeth Spies** on May 16, 1718 in Wunderthausen. She was born on November 11, 1694 in Diedenshausen. She died before 1728 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Johann Jost Dienst was born on December 06, 1696 in Wunderthausen.
- v. Anna Gertraud Dienst was born on December 06, 1696 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Gabriel Dienst was born before 1699 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1713.
- 138. **Sebastian Spies**, son of Gabriel Spies and Margarete ??, was born about 1653 in Diedenshausen. He died in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Benfer** on November 29, 1683 in Diedenshausen.
- 139. **Anna Elisabeth Benfer**, daughter of Gabriel Benfer and Anna Catharina Giebel, was born in 1665 in Diedenshausen. She died in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Sebastian Spies:

Lived in Diele Haus in Diedenshausen but became the tenant in Schreiners on his marriage to Anna Benfer.

Sebastian Spies and Anna Elisabeth Benfer had the following children:

- i. Johannes Spies was born on September 01, 1684 in Diedenshausen. He died on January 23, 1760 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Spies** on February 09, 1714 in Diedenshausen. She was born on January 02, 1694 in Girkhausen. She died on January 28, 1757 in Diedenshausen.
- Notes for Johannes Spies:
- Tenant in Schreiners Haus, Diedenshausen.
- ii. Anna Elisabeth Spies was born about 1687 in Diedenshausen. She died after 1722.
  - 71. iii. Anna Maria Magdalena Spies was born on March 13, 1692 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 18, 1760 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Valentin Pott** on June 08, 1716 in Wunderthausen. He was born on March 21, 1681 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 23, 1775 in Wunderthausen.
  - 69. iv. Catherine Elisabeth Spies was born on November 11, 1694 in Diedenshausen. She died before 1728 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johannes Dienst** on May 16, 1718 in Wunderthausen. He was born on July 18, 1694 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1734 in Wunderthausen.
  - v. Maria Gertraud Spies was born on December 28, 1696 in Diedenshausen.
  - vi. Georg Franz Spies was born on March 11, 1699 in Diedenshausen. He died on January 08,

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- vii. Wilhelmine Elisabeth Spies was born on March 29, 1702 in Diedenshausen. She died on January 18, 1743 in Diedenshausen. She married **Georg Hermann Rück** on May 23, 1732 in Diedenshausen. He was born on November 03, 1695 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1729 in Diedenshausen.
- viii. Johann Georg Spies was born on February 11, 1705 in Diedenshausen. He died in Prob. Berleburg. He married **Catharine Louise Stark** on September 19, 1734 in Berleburg.
- 140. **Curt Pott**, son of Matthias Pott and Katherine Eckhardt, was born about 1635 in Bracht, Amt Marburg. He died after 1699 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen** before 1659.
- 141. **Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen**, daughter of Steffen Homrighausen and ?? Eckhardt, was born about 1635 in Wunderthausen. She died after 1686 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Curt Pott:

He had the unusual status of being a free man. Local legends as to his origins and status do not necessarily correspond to what is in the written record. In any case he was a man of some substance.

The house which he occupied came to be known as Kurts (or Curts) Haus locally, although it had been inhabited by his Homrighausen in-laws and before then by Eckharts. In those times the names K/Curt and K/Conrad were interchangeable.

Curt Pott and Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen had the following children:

- i. Johann Hermann Pott was born about 1668 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1712 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Knoche** on March 20, 1698. She was born about 1675 in Wunderthausen. She died after 1715 in Wunderthausen.
- Notes for Johann Hermann Pott:
- Born in and became the tenant in Kurts.
- ii. Catharina Pott was born about 1670 in Wunderthausen.
  - iii. Anna Elisabeth Pott was born about November 14, 1677 in Wunderthausen. She married **Abraham Eckhardt** on February 20, 1697. He was born about 1675 in Girkhausen. He died before 1740.
  - iv. Anna Elisabeth Pott was born on April 06, 1679 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 02, 1746 in Wunderthausen.
  - 70. v. Johann Valentin Pott was born on March 21, 1681 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 23, 1775 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Maria Magdalena Spies** on June 08, 1716 in Wunderthausen. She was born on March 13, 1692 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 18, 1760 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Christiana Beitzel** on May 08, 1704 in Wunderthausen. She was born on February 18, 1681 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
  - vi. Johann Matthias Pott was born on June 24, 1684 in Wunderthausen.
  - vii. Johann Georg Pott was born on May 10, 1686 in Wunderthausen.
  - 152. **Johannes Homrighausen**, son of Johann Georg Homrighausen and Anna Elisabeth Strackbein, was born before 1675 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 09, 1745 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Liese Strackbein** on January 19, 1701.
  - 153. **Anna Liese Strackbein**, daughter of Hans Georg Strackbein, was born before 1677 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 17, 1742 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Homrighausen:

Tenant at the house name variously as Weißkopfs and Seimes. The latter derives from a dialect term for honey, so the occupants were probably bee keepers at one time (honey being the only real sweetener available). He was known as the village as der alte Weißkopf (white head), hence the other name.

Notes for Anna Liese Strackbein:

Born in Hohmanns Haus.

Johannes Homrighausen and Anna Liese Strackbein had the following children:

- 76. i. Johann Georg Homrighausen was born on July 21, 1701 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 01, 1775 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Maria Juliana Strackbein** on January 23, 1728 in Wunderthausen. She was born on December 08, 1704 in Wunderthausen. She died

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on May 14, 1775 in Wunderthausen.

- ii. Johann Jakob Homrighausen was born on November 21, 1703 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 09, 1772 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Catherine Strackbein** on January 08, 1734. She was born on January 07, 1712 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 17, 1780 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Jakob Homrighausen:

Born in Seimes house but married into Hohmanns.

- iii. Johannes Homrighausen was born on September 27, 1706 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 11, 1783 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Magdalena Strackbein** on December 17, 1732 in Wunderthausen. She was born on January 15, 1711 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 02, 1760 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Trapp** on June 07, 1761 in Wunderthausen. She was born on April 03, 1714 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Johann Werner Homrighausen was born on February 21, 1709 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 04, 1788 in Girkhausen. He married **Anna Magdalene Dickel** before 1734. She was born on April 04, 1714 in Girkhausen. She died on May 21, 1759 in Girkhausen.
- v. Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on August 27, 1714 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.

- 154. **Hans Georg Strackbein**, son of Hans Strackbein, was born about 1669 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 15, 1744 in Wunderthausen. He married **Gertraud Knoche** on June 09, 1701.
- 155. **Gertraud Knoche**, daughter of Johann Hermann Knoche, was born about 1667 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 21, 1751.

Notes for Hans Georg Strackbein:

Tenant in Grosse house. Elder (Presbyter) for many years in the church.

Hans Georg Strackbein and Gertraud Knoche had the following children:

- i. Johannes Strackbein was born on February 18, 1702 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 06, 1775 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Christiana Dienst** on June 05, 1728 in Wunderthausen. She was born on July 02, 1702 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 01, 1765 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Strackbein:

Tenant in Grosse house.

- 77. ii. Anna Maria Juliana Strackbein was born on December 08, 1704 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 14, 1775 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Georg Homrighausen** on January 23, 1728 in Wunderthausen. He was born on July 21, 1701 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 01, 1775 in Wunderthausen.
  - iii. Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Strackbein was born on January 04, 1708 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 30, 1752 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johannes Dienst** on June 20, 1727 in Wunderthausen. He was born on July 18, 1694 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1734 in Wunderthausen. She married **Samuel Strackbein** on August 29, 1734 in Wunderthausen. He was born on October 28, 1686 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 29, 1734 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Georg Strackbein** on August 23, 1740. He was born in 1711. He died on December 14, 1770.
  - iv. Elisabeth Magdalena Strackbein was born on January 15, 1711 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 02, 1760 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johannes Homrighausen** on December 17, 1732 in Wunderthausen. He was born on September 27, 1706 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 11, 1783 in Wunderthausen.
- 156. **Jacob Delcourt** was born about 1680. He married **Anna Eliisabeth ??**
  - 157. **Anna Eliisabeth ??** was born about 1680. She died on June 24, 1743 in Wunderthausen.

Jacob Delcourt and Anna Eliisabeth ?? had the following child:

- 78. i. Francois Delcourt was born in 1704. He died on November 14, 1755 in Wunderthausen. He married **Catherina Elisabeth Homrighausen** on April 14, 1732 in Wunderthausen. She was born on March 12, 1706 in Diedenshausen. She died on March 14, 1770 in Wunderthausen.
- 158. **Johann Jakob Homrighausen**, son of Johannes Homrighausen and Elisabeth Schüßler, was born on December 15, 1677 in Diedenshausen. He died on January 29, 1740 in Diedenshausen. He married

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- Catherina Elisabeth Weller** on October 30, 1704 in Diedenshausen.
159. **Catherina Elisabeth Weller**, daughter of Gabriel Weller and Anna Magdalena Spies, was born in 1675 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 09, 1740 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Jakob Homrighausen:  
Tenant in Hermes Haus in Diedenshausen.

Johann Jakob Homrighausen and Catherina Elisabeth Weller had the following children:

79. i. Catherina Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on March 12, 1706 in Diedenshausen. She died on March 14, 1770 in Wunderthausen. She married **Francois Delcourt** on April 14, 1732 in Wunderthausen. He was born in 1704. He died on November 14, 1755 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Johannes Homrighausen was born in October 1707 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 24, 1785 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Hackenbracht** on July 15, 1736 in Diedenshausen. She was born on October 30, 1714 in Diedenshausen. She died on May 21, 1770 in Diedenshausen.
- iii. Johann Jakob Homrighausen was born on November 19, 1709 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 14, 1743 in Diedenshausen.
- iv. Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on February 07, 1712 in Diedenshausen. She died on December 10, 1763 in Girkhausen. She married **Georg Wilhelm Dickel** in 1737 in Girkhausen. He was born on April 24, 1714 in Girkhausen. He died on December 10, 1763 in Girkhausen.
- v. Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on March 03, 1715 in Diedenshausen. She died on June 27, 1790 in Wunderthausen. She married **Ludwig Franz Beitzel** on August 11, 1748. He was born on January 26, 1727 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 07, 1800 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Sebastian Homrighausen was born on November 15, 1716 in Diedenshausen. He died on October 26, 1800 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Pott** on February 16, 1742 in Diedenshausen. She was born on January 25, 1722 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 06, 1803 in Diedenshausen.
- vii. Marie Catherine Homrighausen was born on July 25, 1721 in Diedenshausen. She died in 1801 in USA. She married **Johann Leydich** on May 26, 1744.
- viii. Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen was born on January 22, 1724 in Diedenshausen. She died in USA.
- ix. Anna Maria Magdalena Homrighausen was born on February 11, 1728. She died in USA.
216. **Johannes Trapp**, son of Johannes Trapp and Margretha Weymer, was born on November 05, 1677 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Gertraud Strackbein** on February 25, 1709 in Wunderthausen.
217. **Anna Gertraud Strackbein**

Notes for Johannes Trapp:  
Born in Weymers house, Wunderthausen. After marriage, lived until 1712 in Weymers and then built Bergmanns.

Johannes Trapp and Anna Gertraud Strackbein had the following children:

108. i. Johannes Trapp was born on September 27, 1710 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 16, 1776 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Christina Hembler** on November 10, 1737 in Wunderthausen. She was born on May 02, 1716 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 28, 1789 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Anna Maria Gertraud Trapp was born on April 14, 1714 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 03, 1783 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johannes Riedesel** on February 22, 1745 in Wunderthausen. He was born on April 22, 1709 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 01, 1755 in Wunderthausen. She married **Georg Ludwig Homrighausen** on May 11, 1756. He was born on March 23, 1719 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 22, 1783 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Anna Maria Gertraud Trapp:  
Apparently known as Anna Maria, though her baptismal name was Anna Gertraud.

- iii. Maria Gertraud Trapp was born on September 03, 1717 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Johannes Georg Trapp was born on December 25, 1719 in Wunderthausen. He married

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**Anna Maria Mörchen** on October 26, 1738 in Wunderthausen.

- v. Anna Elisabeth Trapp was born on October 16, 1722 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Georg Gabriel Trapp was born on March 11, 1726 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 07, 1755 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Johann Heinrich Trapp was born on May 30, 1729 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Dickel** She was born about 1729. She died on January 27, 1774 in Langewiese.

#### 218. **Johann Konrad Hembler**

Notes for Johann Konrad Hembler:  
Cattle shepherd.

Johann Konrad Hembler had the following child:

- 109. i. Anna Christina Hembler was born on May 02, 1716 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 28, 1789 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johannes Trapp** on November 10, 1737 in Wunderthausen. He was born on September 27, 1710 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 16, 1776 in Wunderthausen.
- 220. **Johann Hermann Gernand** was born in December 1677 in Elsoff. He died on April 02, 1750 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catharina Elisabeth Benfer** on January 29, 1706 in Diedenshausen.
- 221. **Catharina Elisabeth Benfer**, daughter of Johannes Benfer and ?? Becker, was born on June 02, 1679 in Diedenshausen. She died on July 14, 1747 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Hermann Gernand:  
Tenant in Pauls Haus, Diedenshausen.

Johann Hermann Gernand and Catharina Elisabeth Benfer had the following children:

- i. Johannes Debus Gernand was born on November 09, 1709 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 12, 1775 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Benfer** on June 15, 1736 in Diedenshausen. She was born on February 01, 1712 in Diedenshausen. She died on November 30, 1754 in Diedenshausen.
  - ii. Matthias Gernand was born on November 05, 1712 in Diedenshausen.
  - iii. Johann Werner Gernand was born on July 16, 1719 in Diedenshausen. He died on July 10, 1769 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Catherine Hünken** on June 26, 1743 in Diedenshausen. She was born on January 25, 1713 in Diedenshausen. She died on February 01, 1782 in Diedenshausen.
- Notes for Johann Werner Gernand:  
Born in Pauls Haus, Diedenshausen, but became the tenant in Kriegers.
- 110. iv. Georg Ludwig Gernand was born on August 27, 1723 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 09, 1805 in Homrighausen. He married **Anna Maria Hackenbracht** She was born on August 08, 1726 in Diedenshausen. She died on October 28, 1788 in Diedenshausen.
  - 222. **Johannes Hackenbracht**, son of Johann Georg Hackenbracht and Catharina Elisabeth Spies, was born on March 28, 1694 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1738 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catharina Elisabeth Benfer** on November 16, 1713 in Diedenshausen.
  - 223. **Catharina Elisabeth Benfer**, daughter of Johann Hermann Benfer and Catharina Elisabeth Saßmannshausen, was born on October 20, 1690 in Diedenshausen.

Johannes Hackenbracht and Catharina Elisabeth Benfer had the following children:

- i. Anna Elisabeth Hackenbracht was born on October 30, 1714 in Diedenshausen. She died on May 21, 1770 in Diedenshausen. She married **Johannes Homrighausen** on July 15, 1736 in Diedenshausen. He was born in October 1707 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 24, 1785 in Diedenshausen.
- ii. Anna Juliana Hackenbracht was born on March 09, 1716 in Diedenshausen. She died in Prob. Berleburg. She married **Georg Ludwig Bald** on September 25, 1738.
- iii. Johann Georg Hackenbracht was born on December 22, 1719 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 02, 1784 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Katharina Womelsdorf** on July 03, 1744 in Diedenshausen. She was born on December 08, 1722 in Diedenshausen. She died on March 27, 1777 in Diedenshausen.
- iv. Johannes Hackenbracht was born on May 13, 1722 in Diedenshausen. He died on October 31, 1788 in Prob. Berleburg. He married **Maria Christiane Hackenbracht** on March 30, 1764.
- v. Georg Wilhelm Hackenbracht was born on June 16, 1724 in Diedenshausen. He died on June 27, 1747 in Diedenshausen.

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111. vi. Anna Maria Hackenbracht was born on August 08, 1726 in Diedenshausen. She died on October 28, 1788 in Diedenshausen. She married **Georg Ludwig Gernand** He was born on August 27, 1723 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 09, 1805 in Homrighausen.

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256. **Hederich Riedesel**, son of Henrich Riedesel, was born about 1615 in Melbach. He died on December 12, 1680 in Melbach. He married ??
257. ??

Notes for Hederich Riedesel:

He is the earliest verifiable ancestor of all the Riedesels of Wittgenstein and of almost all American Riedesels. His name is sometimes rendered as Heyrich or Henrich, but local experts affirm that it was not "Heinrich." He was the tenant in the house called "Herjes" in the small hamlet of Melbach. He served for several years as a coachman to the Count in Berleburg during the 30 Years War (1618-1648) and documents say that his house stood empty for five years. He had returned by 1642. While he was a commoner subject to the Count, various signs suggest that the family was of somewhat higher status than most. It is not certain that his father "Heyrich Riedesel" preceded him at Herjes, but it is very likely.

Hederich Riedesel and ?? had the following children:

128. i. Johannes Riedesel was born about 1640 in Melbach. He died about 1705 in Girkhausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Womelsdorf** on February 18, 1664 in Raumland. She was born about 1639 in Girkhausen. She died on December 12, 1747 in Girkhausen.
- ii. Anna Katharina Riedesel was born about 1645.

Notes for Anna Katharina Riedesel:

I have seen references to her marrying a Hanß Böhmer in southwestern Germany, but this is HIGHLY unlikely.

- iii. Ernst Riedesel was born about 1646 in Melbach. He died on December 24, 1693 in Schameder. He married **Anna Elisabeth Müller** before 1687. She was born in 1651. She died on December 14, 1693 in Schameder.

Notes for Ernst Riedesel:

Lived in "Hermes" house in Schameder.

- iv. KurtConrad Riedesel was born about 1655 in Melbach. He died in 1709 in Melbach.

Notes for KurtConrad Riedesel:

The two names were interchangeable at the time.

258. **Johannes Womelsdorf**, son of Gerlach Womelsdorf, was born in 1609 in Girkhausen. He died in 1672 in Girkhausen.

Notes for Johannes Womelsdorf:

Tenant in Pfaffe Haus in Girkhausen.

Johannes Womelsdorf had the following children:

- i. Georg Womelsdorf was born about 1635.
129. ii. Anna Elisabeth Womelsdorf was born about 1639 in Girkhausen. She died on December 12, 1747 in Girkhausen. She married **Johannes Riedesel** on February 18, 1664 in Raumland. He was born about 1640 in Melbach. He died about 1705 in Girkhausen.
- iii. Johannes Mannus Womelsdorf was born about 1640 in Girkhausen. He died after 1708 in Wunderthausen. He married **Juliana Strackbein** about 1670 in Wunderthausen. She was born about 1640 in Wunderthausen. She died after 1690.

Notes for Johannes Mannus Womelsdorf:

Born in Pfaffe Haus, Girkhausen. Became the tenant through marriage in what has been since then as "Mannes" Haus.

- iv. Johann Kasper Womelsdorf

260. **Valentin Spies**, son of Johannes Spies and ? Dornseiff, was born about 1630 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1675.

Notes for Valentin Spies:

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Tenant in Schmeds.

Valentin Spies had the following children:

130. i. Johann Georg Spies was born about 1648 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1698 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Margaretha Spies** about 1672. She was born about 1645 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1678. He married **Anna Gertraud Homrighausen** on May 13, 1678 in Girkhausen. She was born about 1650 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Anna Christina Spies was born about 1655 in Wunderthausen. She died after 1708 in Wunderthausen. She married **Werner Dienst** on October 11, 1678 in Wunderthausen. He was born about 1655 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1712 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Anna Christina Spies:

Born in Schmeds house which passed to he husband.

- iii. Anna Elisabeth Spies was born about 1660 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Antonius Spies was born about 1662 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 18, 1751 in Langewiese. He married **Anna Margarete Klein** on August 30, 1694 in Wunderthausen. She was born about 1669 in Dachslach. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Antonius Spies:

Born in Schmeds house. First tenant in Beckers house, Wunderthausen, which was apparently built in 1697. It probably contained a baking-house. The Count strictly controlled the number of fireplaces in each village, allocating a certain number of households to each baking-house.

- v. Ludwig Spies was born about 1665 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1735 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Catharina Eckhardt** on November 24, 1687. She was born about 1664 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 20, 1744 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Ludwig Spies:

Known as Lotz. Born in Schmeds Haus. Eventually took over the house known as Lotzes.

- vi. Johannes Spies was born about 1668 in Wunderthausen.
135. vii. Anna Margaretha Spies was born about 1670 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 23, 1741 in Wunderthausen. She married **Theis Trapp** on January 03, 1694. He was born in 1670 in Wunderthausen. He died between 1709–1711 in Wunderthausen.
262. **Johannes Homrighausen** was born about 1623 in Wunderthausen. He died in Wunderthausen.

Johannes Homrighausen had the following child:

131. i. Anna Gertraud Homrighausen was born about 1650 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Georg Spies** on May 13, 1678 in Girkhausen. He was born about 1648 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1698 in Wunderthausen.
268. **Johannes Trapp** was born about 1640. He married **Margretha Weymer** about 1670.
269. **Margretha Weymer**, daughter of Johannes Waymar and ? Heidt, was born about 1640.

Notes for Johannes Trapp:

Origin unknown. Married into Weymers house in Wunderthausen.

Johannes Trapp and Margretha Weymer had the following children:

134. i. Theis Trapp was born in 1670 in Wunderthausen. He died between 1709–1711 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Margaretha Spies** on January 03, 1694. She was born about 1670 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 23, 1741 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Gabriel Trapp was born about 1672 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1734. He married **Anna Elisabeth Catharina Womelsdorf** on March 02, 1700 in Wunderthausen. She was born in February 1685 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 22, 1742 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Gabriel Trapp:

Born in Weymers Haus, Wunderthausen, became the tenant in Mannes.

- iii. Anna Elisabeth Trapp was born about 1674 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 07, 1751.

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- iv. Elisabeth Trapp was born about 1676 in Wunderthausen.
- 216. v. Johannes Trapp was born on November 05, 1677 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Gertraud Strackbein** on February 25, 1709 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Sophia Elisabetha Trapp was born on September 27, 1680 in Wunderthausen.
- 272. **Johannes Dienst**, son of Johannes Dienst and ?? Kuhn, was born about 1635. He married ?? about 1660.
- 273. ??

Notes for Johannes Dienst:  
Tenant in Linde house.

Johannes Dienst and ?? had the following children:

- i. Werner Dienst was born about 1655 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1712 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Christina Spies** on October 11, 1678 in Wunderthausen. She was born about 1655 in Wunderthausen. She died after 1708 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Werner Dienst:  
Tenant in Schmeds house, Wunderthausen. It is believed that he was born in Linde house, but this not certain,

- 136. ii. Johannes Dienst was born about 1658 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1740 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Justina Gärtle** on March 13, 1684 in Wunderthausen. She was born about 1665 in Arfeld. She died after October 30, 1708 in Wunderthausen.
- 274. **Franz Gärtle** was born in 1625. He died on February 02, 1695 in Arfeld. He married **Loysa Henk**
- 275. **Loysa Henk**, daughter of Martin Henk and ? Irle, was born in 1638. She died on March 16, 1710 in Arfeld.

Notes for Loysa Henk:  
Born in Hanneisers Haus in Arfeld which passed to her husband.

Franz Gärtle and Loysa Henk had the following child:

- 137. i. Anna Justina Gärtle was born about 1665 in Arfeld. She died after October 30, 1708 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johannes Dienst** on March 13, 1684 in Wunderthausen. He was born about 1658 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- 276. **Gabriel Spies**, son of Johannes Spies and ?? Dickel, was born about 1623 in Diedenshausen. He married **Margarete ??** about 1649.
- 277. **Margarete ??** was born about 1628.

Notes for Gabriel Spies:  
Born in and tenant in Diele Haus, Diedenshausen. The name of his wife is not known.

Gabriel Spies and Margarete ?? had the following children:

- i. Samuel Spies was born about 1645 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Catharina ??** before 1677 in Diedenshausen. She was born about 1645 in Diedenshausen. She died after 1684 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Samuel Spies:  
Born in and tenant in Diele Haus, Diedenshausen.

- ii. Anna Catherine Spies was born about 1650 in Diedenshausen. She died before 1686. She married **Sebastian Rück** on March 13, 1677 in Diedenshausen. He was born about 1654 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1705 in Diedenshausen.
- 138. iii. Sebastian Spies was born about 1653 in Diedenshausen. He died in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Benfer** on November 29, 1683 in Diedenshausen. She was born in 1665 in Diedenshausen. She died in Diedenshausen.
- iv. Catharine Elisabeth Spies was born about 1665 in Diedenshausen. She died in 1694. She married **Gabriel Benfer** on October 30, 1690. He was born about 1662 in Diedenshausen.
- v. Gabriel Spies was born in Diedenshausen. He died after 1700.
- 278. **Gabriel Benfer** was born about 1640. He died after 1678 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Catharina Giebel**
- 279. **Anna Catharina Giebel**, daughter of Jost Giebel and Magdalene Schmidt, was born about 1640 in Diedenshausen. She died after 1678 in Diedenshausen.

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Notes for Gabriel Benfer:

His origins are unknown, but he became the tenant in Schreiners Haus in Diedenshausen.

Gabriel Benfer and Anna Catharina Giebel had the following children:

139. i. Anna Elisabeth Benfer was born in 1665 in Diedenshausen. She died in Diedenshausen. She married **Sebastian Spies** on November 29, 1683 in Diedenshausen. He was born about 1653 in Diedenshausen. He died in Diedenshausen.
  - ii. Anna Juliana Benfer was born on February 25, 1679 in Diedenshausen.
  - iii. Johann Benfer was born in Diedenshausen. He died after 1682.
  - iv. Maria Elisabeth Benfer was born in Diedenshausen. She died after 1692.
280. **Matthias Pott** was born in Black Forest. He died before 1659 in Marburg?. He married **Katherine Eckhardt** after 1619.
281. **Katherine Eckhardt**, daughter of Jost Eckhardt and Leisa ??, was born about 1600 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1659 in Wunderthausen?.

Notes for Matthias Pott:

I have seen a death date of 1653.

Matthias Pott and Katherine Eckhardt had the following child:

140. i. Curt Pott was born about 1635 in Bracht, Amt Marburg. He died after 1699 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen** before 1659. She was born about 1635 in Wunderthausen. She died after 1686 in Wunderthausen.
282. **Steffen Homrighausen** was born about 1610 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1678 in Wunderthausen. He married **?? Eckhardt** about 1635.
283. **?? Eckhardt**, daughter of Jost Eckhardt and Leisa ??, was born about 1605 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Steffen Homrighausen:

Born in Seimes house, Wunderthausen and married into what became Kurts.

Steffen Homrighausen and ?? Eckhardt had the following child:

141. i. Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen was born about 1635 in Wunderthausen. She died after 1686 in Wunderthausen. She married **Curt Pott** before 1659. He was born about 1635 in Bracht, Amt Marburg. He died after 1699 in Wunderthausen.
304. **Johann Georg Homrighausen**, son of Hans Homrighausen and ??, was born about 1645 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Strackbein** about 1670.
305. **Anna Elisabeth Strackbein**, daughter of Hans Georg Strackbein and ?? Pletsch, was born about 1645 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Homrighausen:

Born in Seimes house and became the tenant.

Notes for Anna Elisabeth Strackbein:

Born in Mannes house.

Johann Georg Homrighausen and Anna Elisabeth Strackbein had the following children:

152. i. Johannes Homrighausen was born before 1675 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 09, 1745 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Liese Strackbein** on January 19, 1701. She was born before 1677 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 17, 1742 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Anna Catharina Homrighausen was born before 1677.
- iii. Johann Georg Homrighausen was born on August 10, 1678 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1730. He married **Anna Catharina Boshoff** on December 28, 1714 in Wunderthausen. She was born about 1694 in Wunderthausen. She died between 1732–1734 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Homrighausen:

Born in Seimes house. Became the tenant through marriage in Leyeschneiders. First known tenant in the house known as Unter der Laye. His family of origin is not certain.

- iv. Johann Jacob Homrighausen was born on April 25, 1682 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1744 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Christina Boshoff** on January 22, 1706 in Wunderthausen. She was born on July 10, 1682 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 07,

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1745 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Jacob Homrighausen:

Lived in Altehäusers which probably came to him through marriage. Born in Seimes Haus.

- v. Anna Gertraud Homrighausen was born about 1683 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Georg Wetzel** on August 20, 1705 in Wunderthausen. He was born about 1670 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Anna Catharina Homrighausen was born on July 10, 1685 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 13, 1750 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Georg Strackbein** on February 15, 1703 in Girkhausen. He was born about 1670 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 26, 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Anna Margretha Homrighausen was born on April 07, 1688 in Wunderthausen. She died after 1706.
- viii. Elias Werner Homrighausen was born on July 15, 1691 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 13, 1753.

306. **Hans Georg Strackbein**, son of Reinhard Strackbein, was born about 1640 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1699 in Wunderthausen. He married an unknown spouse about 1665.

Notes for Hans Georg Strackbein:

Tenant in Hohmanns house, Wunderthausen.

Hans Georg Strackbein had the following children:

- i. Elisabeth Strackbein was born about 1665 in Wunderthausen. She died after 1689.
- ii. Johann Georg Strackbein was born about 1670 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 26, 1740 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Catharina Homrighausen** on February 15, 1703 in Girkhausen. She was born on July 10, 1685 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 13, 1750 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Strackbein:

Tenant in Hohmanns Haus, Wunderthausen.

- iii. Anna Maria Strackbein was born about 1672 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Curt Boshoff** on May 10, 1694 in Wunderthausen. He was born about 1670 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1712 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Anna Maria Strackbein:

Born in Hohmanns house.

- iv. Anna Elisabeth Strackbein was born about 1675 in Wunderthausen.
- 153. v. Anna Liese Strackbein was born before 1677 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 17, 1742 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johannes Homrighausen** on January 19, 1701. He was born before 1675 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 09, 1745 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Anna Margarethe Strackbein was born on January 16, 1685 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Johannes Strackbein was born on July 01, 1688 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 17, 1757 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Margarete Spies** on August 22, 1717 in Wunderthausen. She was born on September 28, 1690 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 04, 1754 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Strackbein:

Born in Hohmanns Haus, became the tenant in Lotzes Haus, Wunderthausen.

308. **Hans Strackbein**, son of Johannes Strackbein, was born about 1630 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1699 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Hans Strackbein:

Tenant in Grosse house.

Hans Strackbein had the following children:

- 154. i. Hans Georg Strackbein was born about 1669 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 15, 1744 in Wunderthausen. He married **Gertraud Knoche** on June 09, 1701. She was born about 1667 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 21, 1751.
- ii. Johannes Strackbein was born about 1670.

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- iii. Anna Catherine Strackbein was born on September 05, 1683 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Samuel Strackbein was born on October 28, 1686 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 29, 1734 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Strackbein** on August 29, 1734 in Wunderthausen. She was born on January 04, 1708 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 30, 1752 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Samuel Strackbein:

Born in Grosse Haus, Wunderthausen, but took over Linde by marriage.

310. **Johann Hermann Knoche** was born about 1640 in Prob. Wingshausen. He died between 1698–1701 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Hermann Knoche:

Some sources refer to him as Johann Henrich, but I think Hermann is more likely correct. The identity of his wife is uncertain. She could have been a Homrighausen.

Johann Hermann Knoche had the following children:

- i. Hans Georg Knoche was born about 1666 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 29, 1753 in Wunderthausen. He married **Louisa Christina Dienst** on July 12, 1703 in Wunderthausen. She was born about 1674 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 15, 1755 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Hans Georg Knoche:

Born in Bormanns Haus and became the tenant.

155. ii. Gertraud Knoche was born about 1667 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 21, 1751. She married **Hans Georg Strackbein** on June 09, 1701. He was born about 1669 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 15, 1744 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Johann Jost Knoche was born about 1670 in Wunderthausen.
  - iv. Anna Elisabeth Knoche was born about 1675 in Wunderthausen. She died after 1715 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Hermann Pott** on March 20, 1698. He was born about 1668 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1712 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Anna Elisabeth Knoche:

Said to be born in Bormanns house, Wunderthausen, but does not show up in the records for that house as a child.

- v. Johannes Knoche was born on February 12, 1678 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 09, 1751 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Johann Jacob Knoche was born on October 01, 1681 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1740.
- vii. Johann Hermann Knoche was born on April 03, 1687 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1740 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Magdalena Saßmannshausen** on August 19, 1708. She was born on November 28, 1684 in Diedenshausen. She died before 1740 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Hermann Knoche:

Born in Bormanns Haus, but may have later resided in Haase Haus with their daughter, Anna Elisabeth, and her husband, Johannes Haase.

316. **Johannes Homrighausen**, son of Hans Homrighausen and ??, was born in 1652 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1722 in Diedenshausen. He married **Elisabeth Schüßler** in 1677 in Diedenshausen.
317. **Elisabeth Schüßler**, daughter of Johannes Schüßler, was born about 1650 in Diedenshausen. She died in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johannes Homrighausen:

Born in Seimes Haus in Wunderthausen but became the tenant in Hermes Haus, Diedenshausen.

Johannes Homrighausen and Elisabeth Schüßler had the following children:

158. i. Johann Jakob Homrighausen was born on December 15, 1677 in Diedenshausen. He died on January 29, 1740 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catherina Elisabeth Weller** on October

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30, 1704 in Diedenshausen. She was born in 1675 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 09, 1740 in Diedenshausen.

- ii. Katharina Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on December 10, 1679 in Diedenshausen. She died on January 14, 1756 in Hüttental über Schwarzenau. She married **Elias Saßmannshausen** on October 21, 1699 in Diedenshausen. He was born about 1675 in Diedenshausen. He died on August 28, 1740 in Girkhausen.
- iii. Johann Jost Homrighausen was born on November 21, 1682 in Diedenshausen.
- iv. Anna Catharina Homrighausen was born on June 06, 1684 in Diedenshausen.
- v. Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on August 22, 1687 in Diedenshausen.
- vi. Johannes Homrighausen was born on May 08, 1690 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1740 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Benfer** on October 28, 1717 in Diedenshausen. She was born after 1697 in Diedenshausen. She died on August 19, 1760 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johannes Homrighausen:

Born in Hermes Haus, Diedenshausen, but became the tenant in Schneiders.

- vii. Sebastian Homrighausen was born on July 04, 1695 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 13, 1746 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Maria Benfer** on May 13, 1729 in Diedenshausen. She was born about 1695 in Diedenshausen. She died on October 06, 1755 in Diedenshausen.

318. **Gabriel Weller**, son of Johann Phillip Weller and ? Spies, was born about 1650 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1694 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Magdalena Spies** about 1673 in Diedenshausen.

319. **Anna Magdalena Spies**, daughter of Johannes Spies and Anna Catharina ??, was born about 1650 in Diedenshausen. She died after May 23, 1697 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Gabriel Weller:

The miller in Diedenshausen.

Gabriel Weller and Anna Magdalena Spies had the following children:

159. i. Catherina Elisabeth Weller was born in 1675 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 09, 1740 in Diedenshausen. She married **Johann Jakob Homrighausen** on October 30, 1704 in Diedenshausen. He was born on December 15, 1677 in Diedenshausen. He died on January 29, 1740 in Diedenshausen.
- ii. Johann Georg Weller was born on July 12, 1677 in Diedenshausen.
  - iii. Anna Gertraud Weller was born on December 22, 1678 in Diedenshausen.
  - iv. Johannes Weller was born on September 06, 1681 in Diedenshausen.
  - v. Johannes Georg Wilhelm Weller was born on April 20, 1684 in Diedenshausen. He died on March 21, 1762 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Weller** on October 19, 1705 in Diedenshausen.
  - vi. Johann Georg Wilhelm Weller was born on April 20, 1684 in Diedenshausen. He died on March 21, 1762 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Weller** on October 19, 1705 in Diedenshausen. She was born on December 05, 1684 in Diedenshausen. She died on February 10, 1755.

Notes for Johann Georg Wilhelm Weller:

The miller in Diedenshausen.

- vii. Anna Catharina Weller was born on October 04, 1686 in Diedenshausen.
- viii. Johann Philipp Weller was born on September 20, 1689 in Diedenshausen. He died on June 25, 1761 in Warren County, New Jersey. He married **Anna Elisabeth Schäfer** on April 08, 1725 in Diedenshausen. She was born in 1711. She died on October 18, 1779 in Warren County, New Jersey.

Notes for Johann Philipp Weller:

Went to America in 1730. First settled at Amwell, Hunterdon, New Jersey. Later moved to Warren County, New Jersey. He and his family were probably the first of many generations to be buried in the Weller Free Church Cemetery at Willow Grove.

- ix. Samuel Weller was born on February 27, 1692 in Diedenshausen.

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442. **Johannes Benfer** was born about 1630. He married ?? **Becker**

443. ?? **Becker**, daughter of Thönges Becker and ?? Beitzel.

Notes for Johannes Benfer:

Tenant in Adriges Haus, Diedenshausen. It is uncertain where he was born.

Johannes Benfer and ?? Becker had the following children:

- i. Debus (Theobald) Benfer was born about 1660 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1740 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catharina Elisabeth Breusing** on January 26, 1697 in Diedenshausen. She was born about 1665 in Diedenshausen. She died on November 19, 1740 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Debus (Theobald) Benfer:

Third husband of Catharina Breusing. He was born in Adriges Haus, Diedenshausen, but became the tenant in Schneiders.

- ii. Gabriel Benfer was born about 1662 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catharine Elisabeth Spies** on October 30, 1690. She was born about 1665 in Diedenshausen. She died in 1694. He married **Anna Catharina Rück** on November 22, 1694 in Diedenshausen. She was born about 1675 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Gabriel Benfer:

Tenant in Adriges Haus, Diedenshausen.

- 446. iii. Johann Hermann Benfer was born about 1670 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catharina Elisabeth Saßmannshausen** on October 10, 1689 in Diedenshausen. She was born about 1672 in Diedenshausen.
- 221. iv. Catharina Elisabeth Benfer was born on June 02, 1679 in Diedenshausen. She died on July 14, 1747 in Diedenshausen. She married **Johann Hermann Gernand** on January 29, 1706 in Diedenshausen. He was born in December 1677 in Elsoff. He died on April 02, 1750 in Diedenshausen.
- v. Johann Jost Benfer was born in June 1681 in Diedenshausen. He died on August 23, 1726 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Gertraud Keller** on August 12, 1706. She was born in Hemschlar.
- vi. Anna Elisabeth Benfer was born on December 31, 1683.
- 444. **Johann Georg Hackenbracht** was born on January 03, 1655 in Wemlighausen. He died on October 16, 1743 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catharina Elisabeth Spies** on October 19, 1689 in Diedenshausen.
- 445. **Catharina Elisabeth Spies**, daughter of Johann Wilhelm Spies and Mara ??, was born about 1665 in Diedenshausen. She died before 1730 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Hackenbracht:

Born in Schneiders Haus, Wemlighausen, but became the tenant in Schulze, Diedenshausen.

Johann Georg Hackenbracht and Catharina Elisabeth Spies had the following children:

- i. Johann Georg Wilhelm Hackenbracht was born on October 05, 1690 in Diedenshausen. He died on September 20, 1770 in Diedenshausen. He married **Maria Elisabeth Benfer** on May 12, 1724 in Diedenshausen. She was born on September 27, 1697 in Diedenshausen. She died on June 13, 1748 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Wilhelm Hackenbracht:

Born in Schulze, became the tenant in Webers Haus, Diedenshausen.

- 222. ii. Johannes Hackenbracht was born on March 28, 1694 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1738 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catharina Elisabeth Benfer** on November 16, 1713 in Diedenshausen. She was born on October 20, 1690 in Diedenshausen.
- iii. Johann David Hackenbracht was born on November 23, 1695 in Diedenshausen.
- iv. Johann Wilhelm Hackenbracht was born on March 13, 1697 in Diedenshausen.
- v. Johann Gabriel Hackenbracht was born on February 27, 1699 in Diedenshausen.
- vi. Johann Samuel Hackenbracht was born on October 24, 1700 in Diedenshausen.
- vii. Sebastian Hackenbracht was born on December 18, 1702 in Diedenshausen.
- viii. Johann Heinrich Hackenbracht was born on February 08, 1705 in Diedenshausen.
- ix. Johann Daniel Hackenbracht was born on January 16, 1707 in Diedenshausen.
- 446. **Johann Hermann Benfer**, son of Johannes Benfer and ?? Becker, was born about 1670 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catharina Elisabeth Saßmannshausen** on October 10, 1689 in

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447. **Catharina Elisabeth Saßmannshausen**, daughter of Johann Jacob Saßmannshausen and Anna Elisabeth ??, was born about 1672 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Hermann Benfer:

Born in Adriges Haus, Diedenshausen, but became the tenant in Webers.

Johann Hermann Benfer and Catharina Elisabeth Saßmannshausen had the following children:

223. i. Catharina Elisabeth Benfer was born on October 20, 1690 in Diedenshausen. She married **Johannes Hackenbracht** on November 16, 1713 in Diedenshausen. He was born on March 28, 1694 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1738 in Diedenshausen.
- ii. Johannes Benfer was born on September 21, 1694 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1709 in Diedenshausen.
- iii. Maria Elisabeth Benfer was born on September 27, 1697 in Diedenshausen. She died on June 13, 1748 in Diedenshausen. She married **Johann Georg Wilhelm Hackenbracht** on May 12, 1724 in Diedenshausen. He was born on October 05, 1690 in Diedenshausen. He died on September 20, 1770 in Diedenshausen.
- iv. Maria Juliana Benfer was born on March 04, 1701 in Diedenshausen. She died after 1725.
- v. Elisabeth Margaretha Benfer was born on March 22, 1704 in Diedenshausen.
- vi. Elisabeth Gertraud Benfer was born on March 04, 1706 in Diedenshausen.
- vii. Johannes Benfer was born on February 10, 1709 in Diedenshausen. He died on October 09, 1763 in Diedenshausen.
- viii. Anna Elisabeth Benfer was born on February 01, 1712 in Diedenshausen. She died on November 30, 1754 in Diedenshausen. She married **Johannes Debus Gernand** on June 15, 1736 in Diedenshausen. He was born on November 09, 1709 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 12, 1775 in Diedenshausen.

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512. **Henrich Riedesel** was born about 1580 in Melbach.

Notes for Henrich Riedesel:

There is documentation that a Henrich (or Heyrich) preceded the Hederich as the tenant in Herjes house at the Melbach, and the probability is that he was a Riedesel.

Henrich Riedesel had the following children:

- i. Dorothea/Dechen Riedesel was born about 1610 in Melbach. She died on February 05, 1686 in Bermershausen. She married **Johannes Konrad** He was born about 1605. He died on June 21, 1670 in Bermershausen.
256. ii. Hederich Riedesel was born about 1615 in Melbach. He died on December 12, 1680 in Melbach. He married ?? He married **Gerthrut Dickel** on May 14, 1661 in Melbach. She was born about 1640 in Girkhausen. She died on April 29, 1703 in Melbach.
516. **Gerlach Womelsdorf**, son of Rheinhart Womelsdorf and Catharina ??, was born about 1565 in Girkhausen. He died in 1629 in Girkhausen.

Gerlach Womelsdorf had the following children:

258. i. Johannes Womelsdorf was born in 1609 in Girkhausen. He died in 1672 in Girkhausen.
- ii. Reinhardt Womelsdorf
520. **Johannes Spies** He married ? **Dornseiff** about 1620.
521. ? **Dornseiff**, daughter of Johannes Dornseiff, was born about 1590 in Wunderthausen.

Johannes Spies and ? Dornseiff had the following children:

260. i. Valentin Spies was born about 1630 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1675.
- ii. Antonius Spies was born about 1640 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Barbara Spies was born about 1650 in Wunderthausen.
538. **Johannes Waymar**, son of Hans Weimar. He married ? **Heidt**
539. ? **Heidt**, daughter of Ebert Heidt.
- Johannes Waymar and ? Heidt had the following child:
269. i. Margretha Weymer was born about 1640. She married **Johannes Trapp** about 1670. He was born about 1640.
544. **Johannes Dienst**, son of Georg Dienst and Katharina Linde, was born about 1615 in Wunderthausen. He married ?? **Kuhn** about 1635.

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545. ?? **Kuhn**, daughter of Theis Kuhn, was born about 1615 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Dienst:

Early tenant in the house "Beim Wasser" or Linde.

Johannes Dienst and ?? Kuhn had the following children:

272. i. Johannes Dienst was born about 1635. He married ?? about 1660.  
ii. Johann Georg Dienst He married ?? **Strackbein**
550. **Martin Henk** He married ? **Irle**
551. ? **Irle**, daughter of Johannes Irle.
- Martin Henk and ? Irle had the following child:
275. i. Loysa Henk was born in 1638. She died on March 16, 1710 in Arfeld. She married **Franz Garte** He was born in 1625. He died on February 02, 1695 in Arfeld.
552. **Johannes Spies**, son of Johannes Spies and ?? Althaus, was born in 1587 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1654 in Diedenshausen. He married ?? **Dickel**
553. ?? **Dickel**, son of Emanuel Dickel and Cathrein ??.

Notes for Johannes Spies:

Born in Schulze Haus, Diedenshausen, but became the tenant in Diele. He owned three horses (more than most other peasants), and is therefore thought to have a side business of hauling.

Johannes Spies and ?? Dickel had the following child:

276. i. Gabriel Spies was born about 1623 in Diedenshausen. He married **Margarete ??** about 1649. She was born about 1628.
558. **Jost Giebel** was born about 1605. He died after 1654 in Diedenshausen. He married **Magdalene Schmidt**
559. **Magdalene Schmidt**, daughter of Matthias Schmidt, was born about 1610 in Probably Diedenshausen.

Notes for Jost Giebel:

Origins uncertain. Was the tenant in Schreiners Haus, Diedenshausen. The father of his wife was apparently Theis Schmitt, born around 1590 and died after 1630.

Jost Giebel and Magdalene Schmidt had the following child:

279. i. Anna Catharina Giebel was born about 1640 in Diedenshausen. She died after 1678 in Diedenshausen. She married **Gabriel Benfer** He was born about 1640. He died after 1678 in Diedenshausen.
562. **Jost Eckhardt** was born about 1570 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1616 in Wunderthausen. He married **Leisa ??**
563. **Leisa ??**

Notes for Jost Eckhardt:

First known tenant in what became known as Kurts house in Wunderthausen.

Jost Eckhardt and Leisa ?? had the following children:

281. i. Katherine Eckhardt was born about 1600 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1659 in Wunderthausen?. She married **Matthias Pott** after 1619. He was born in Black Forest. He died before 1659 in Marburg?.
283. ii. ?? Eckhardt was born about 1605 in Wunderthausen. She married **Steffen Homrighausen** about 1635. He was born about 1610 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1678 in Wunderthausen.
608. **Hans Homrighausen**, son of Johannes Homrighausen and Elisabeth Hüster, was born about 1615 in Wunderthausen. He married ?? about 1645.
609. ?? was born about 1615.

Notes for Hans Homrighausen:

Tenant in Seimes.

Hans Homrighausen and ?? had the following children:

304. i. Johann Georg Homrighausen was born about 1645 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Strackbein** about 1670. She was born about 1645 in Wunderthausen.
131. ii. Anna Gertraud Homrighausen was born about 1650 in Wunderthausen. She died before

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- 1740 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Georg Spies** on May 13, 1678 in Girkhausen. He was born about 1648 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1698 in Wunderthausen.
316. iii. Johannes Homrighausen was born in 1652 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1722 in Diedenshausen. He married **Elisabeth Schüßler** in 1677 in Diedenshausen. She was born about 1650 in Diedenshausen. She died in Diedenshausen.
610. **Hans Georg Strackbein** was born about 1615. He died before 1680. He married **?? Pletsch** about 1645.
611. **?? Pletsch**, daughter of Johann Georg Pletsch. She died after 1680.

Notes for Hans Georg Strackbein:  
Tennant in Mannes house.

Hans Georg Strackbein and ?? Pletsch had the following children:

- i. Juliana Strackbein was born about 1640 in Wunderthausen. She died after 1690. She married **Johannes Mannus Womelsdorf** about 1670 in Wunderthausen. He was born about 1640 in Girkhausen. He died after 1708 in Wunderthausen.
  - 305. ii. Anna Elisabeth Strackbein was born about 1645 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Georg Homrighausen** about 1670. He was born about 1645 in Wunderthausen.
  - iii. Anna Gertraud Strackbein was born about 1651 in Wunderthausen.
  - iv. Johann Georg Strackbein He died after 1685.
  - v. Elisabeth Strackbein
612. **Reinhard Strackbein** was born about 1610 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1691 in Wunderthausen. He married an unknown spouse about 1640.

Reinhard Strackbein had the following child:

- 306. i. Hans Georg Strackbein was born about 1640 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1699 in Wunderthausen. He married an unknown spouse about 1665.
616. **Johannes Strackbein**, son of Johannes Strackbein, was born about 1600 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1648 in Wunderthausen. He married an unknown spouse about 1630.

Notes for Johannes Strackbein:  
Tenant in Grosse house, known as Johannes the lesser.

Johannes Strackbein had the following children:

- 308. i. Hans Strackbein was born about 1630 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1699 in Wunderthausen.
  - ii. Werner Strackbein Strackbein
634. **Johannes Schüßler**, son of Hermann Schüßler, was born about 1620 in Diedenshausen. He died about 1699 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johannes Schüßler:  
Tenant in Hermes Haus, Diedenshausen, where he was born.

Johannes Schüßler had the following children:

- 317. i. Elisabeth Schüßler was born about 1650 in Diedenshausen. She died in Diedenshausen. She married **Johannes Homrighausen** in 1677 in Diedenshausen. He was born in 1652 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1722 in Diedenshausen.
  - ii. Anna Catharina Schüßler was born about 1655 in Diedenshausen. She died after 1708. She married **Sebastian Rück** on November 11, 1686 in Diedenshausen. He was born about 1654 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1705 in Diedenshausen.
  - iii. Anna Elisabeth Schüßler was born about 1660 in Diedenshausen.
636. **Johann Phillip Weller**, son of Hans Weller and ?? Plocher, was born about 1610 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1678 in Diedenshausen. He married **? Spies** about 1645.
637. **? Spies**

Notes for Johann Phillip Weller:  
The miller in Diedenshausen.

Johann Phillip Weller and ? Spies had the following children:

- 318. i. Gabriel Weller was born about 1650 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1694 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Magdalena Spies** about 1673 in Diedenshausen. She

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- was born about 1650 in Diedenshausen. She died after May 23, 1697 in Diedenshausen.
- ii. Maria Catharina Weller was born about 1655 in Diedenshausen. She died on December 26, 1675. She married **Conrad Kroh** on November 08, 1671. He was born about 1648 in Wemlighausen. He died on February 23, 1718.
  - iii. Samuel Weller was born about 1658 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1692. He married **Anna Elisabeth ??** She was born in Wemlighausen.
  - iv. Johann Philipp Weller was born about 1660 in Diedenshausen. He died on December 16, 1737. He married **Anna Getraud Fischer** on September 10, 1695. She was born in 1671. She died on February 22, 1736. He married **Anna Gertraud Heirsdorf** on August 08, 1685. She was born on February 22, 1667. She died in February 1695.
638. **Johannes Spies**, son of Gabriel Spies, was born about 1615 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1670 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Catharina ??**
639. **Anna Catharina ??**

Notes for Johannes Spies:

"The younger." Tenant in Schulze. He was a Schultheiß (Schulze in slang), which was a kind of policeman or deputy in service of the count.

Johannes Spies and Anna Catharina ?? had the following children:

890. i. Johann Wilhelm Spies was born about 1640 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1691 in Diedenshausen. He married **Mara ??**
- ii. Elisabeth Spies was born on May 09, 1647 in Diedenshausen. She died in 1710 in Diedenshausen. She married **Sebastian Dickel** before 1681. He was born in 1646 in Schüller. He died in 1730 in Girkhausen.
  - iii. Johann Gabriel Spies was born about 1648 in Diedenshausen. He died about 1694. He married **Agnes Beitzel** on June 22, 1671. She was born in Wemlighausen.
319. iv. Anna Magdalena Spies was born about 1650 in Diedenshausen. She died after May 23, 1697 in Diedenshausen. She married **Johann Jost Strackbein** about 1694 in Diedenshausen. He was born about 1655 in Diedenshausen. She married **Gabriel Weller** about 1673 in Diedenshausen. He was born about 1650 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1694 in Diedenshausen.
886. **Thönges Becker** was born about 1610 in Berleburg. He married **?? Beitzel** in Diedenshausen.
887. **?? Beitzel**, daughter of Adrian Beitzel and Anna Weber, was born about 1603.

Notes for Thönges Becker:

Tenant in Adriges Haus, Diedenshausen.

Thönges Becker and ?? Beitzel had the following child:

443. i. ?? Becker She married **Johannes Benfer** He was born about 1630.
890. **Johann Wilhelm Spies**, son of Johannes Spies and Anna Catharina ??, was born about 1640 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1691 in Diedenshausen. He married **Mara ??**
891. **Mara ??**

Notes for Johann Wilhelm Spies:

Tenant in Schulze Haus, Diedenshausen.

Johann Wilhelm Spies and Mara ?? had the following children:

445. i. Catharina Elisabeth Spies was born about 1665 in Diedenshausen. She died before 1730 in Diedenshausen. She married **Johann Georg Hackenbracht** on October 19, 1689 in Diedenshausen. He was born on January 03, 1655 in Wemlighausen. He died on October 16, 1743 in Diedenshausen.
- ii. Anna Maria Spies was born on December 06, 1679 in Diedenshausen. She died on December 01, 1754 in Diedenshausen. She married **Johann Daniel Weller** on November 26, 1705 in Diedenshausen. He was born on August 11, 1677 in Diedenshausen. He died on November 29, 1761 in Diedenshausen.
  - iii. Johannes Spies was born on March 15, 1682 in Diedenshausen.
  - iv. Johannes Spies was born on September 08, 1683 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1699.
  - v. Maria Magdalena Spies was born on October 18, 1686 in Diedenshausen. She died after 1730.
  - vi. Anna Catharina Spies was born in 1691 in Diedenshausen. She died on July 31, 1752. She married **Johann Georg Wagner** He was born on March 23, 1682 in Girkhausen. He died on December 23, 1752 in Girkhausen.

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- vii. David Spies was born in Diedenshausen.
- viii. Gabriel Spies was born in Diedenshausen. He died after 1699.
- ix. Samuel Spies was born in Diedenshausen.
- 892. **Johannes Benfer** was born about 1630. He married **?? Becker**
- 893. **?? Becker**, daughter of Thönges Becker and ?? Beitzel.

Notes for Johannes Benfer:

Tenant in Adriges Haus, Diedenshausen. It is uncertain where he was born.

Johannes Benfer and ?? Becker had the following children:

- i. Debus (Theobald) Benfer was born about 1660 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1740 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catharina Elisabeth Breusing** on January 26, 1697 in Diedenshausen. She was born about 1665 in Diedenshausen. She died on November 19, 1740 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Debus (Theobald) Benfer:

Third husband of Catharina Breusing. He was born in Adriges Haus, Diedenshausen, but became the tenant in Schneiders.

- ii. Gabriel Benfer was born about 1662 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catharine Elisabeth Spies** on October 30, 1690. She was born about 1665 in Diedenshausen. She died in 1694. He married **Anna Catharina Rück** on November 22, 1694 in Diedenshausen. She was born about 1675 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Gabriel Benfer:

Tenant in Adriges Haus, Diedenshausen.

- 446. iii. Johann Hermann Benfer was born about 1670 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catharina Elisabeth Saßmannshausen** on October 10, 1689 in Diedenshausen. She was born about 1672 in Diedenshausen.
- 221. iv. Catharina Elisabeth Benfer was born on June 02, 1679 in Diedenshausen. She died on July 14, 1747 in Diedenshausen. She married **Johann Hermann Gernand** on January 29, 1706 in Diedenshausen. He was born in December 1677 in Elsoff. He died on April 02, 1750 in Diedenshausen.
- v. Johann Jost Benfer was born in June 1681 in Diedenshausen. He died on August 23, 1726 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Gertraud Keller** on August 12, 1706. She was born in Hemschlar.
- vi. Anna Elisabeth Benfer was born on December 31, 1683.
- 894. **Johann Jacob Saßmanshausen**, son of Samuel Saßmannshausen and Anna Catharina Homburger, was born about 1635 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1702 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth ??** about 1670 in Diedenshausen.
- 895. **Anna Elisabeth ??**

Notes for Johann Jacob Saßmanshausen:

Born in and tenant in Webers Haus, Diedenshausen.

Johann Jacob Saßmanshausen and Anna Elisabeth ?? had the following children:

- 447. i. Catharina Elisabeth Saßmannshausen was born about 1672 in Diedenshausen. She married **Johann Hermann Benfer** on October 10, 1689 in Diedenshausen. He was born about 1670 in Diedenshausen.
- ii. Elias Saßmannshausen was born about 1675 in Diedenshausen. He died on August 28, 1740 in Girkhausen. He married **Katharina Elisabeth Homrighausen** on October 21, 1699 in Diedenshausen. She was born on December 10, 1679 in Diedenshausen. She died on January 14, 1756 in Hüttental über Schwarzenau.

Notes for Elias Saßmannshausen:

First known tenant in Kurts Haus, Girkhausen.

- iii. Johann Gabriel Saßmannshausen was born on February 09, 1678 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 13, 1743. He married **Anna Gertrud Thiel** on February 02, 1702. She was born in Elsoff.
- iv. Johann Samuel Saßmannshausen was born on October 25, 1680 in Diedenshausen.
- v. Anna Margaretha Saßmannshausen was born on December 11, 1681 in Diedenshausen. She died on January 18, 1758 in Diedenshausen. She married **Johann Jost Weller** in 1706. He was born in Girkhausen.

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- vi. Anna Magdalena Saßmannshausen was born on November 28, 1684 in Diedenshausen. She died before 1740 in Diedenshausen. She married **Johann Hermann Knoche** on August 19, 1708. He was born on April 03, 1687 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Sebastian Saßmannshausen was born on September 27, 1687 in Diedenshausen.
- viii. Peter Saßmannshausen was born on September 27, 1687 in Diedenshausen. He died on August 20, 1762 in Girkhausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Becker** She was born in 1699 in Girkhausen. She died on January 05, 1758 in Girkhausen.

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1032. **Rheinart Womelsdorf**, son of Johenchen Womelsdorf and Catherina ??, was born about 1525 in Girkhausen. He married **Catharina ??**

1033. **Catharina ??**

Rheinart Womelsdorf and Catharina ?? had the following children:

- i. Johenchen Womelsdorf was born about 1550.
- ii. Georg Womelsdorf was born about 1555.
- 516. iii. Gerlach Womelsdorf was born about 1565 in Girkhausen. He died in 1629 in Girkhausen.
- iv. HeintzHeinrich Womelsdorf

1042. **Johannes Dornseiff**, son of Reinhard Dornseiff and ?? Breusing, was born about 1570 in Wunderthausen. He died in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Dornseiff:

May have been born in Lotzes house.

Johannes Dornseiff had the following child:

- 521. i. ? Dornseiff was born about 1590 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johannes Spies** about 1620.

1076. **Hans Weimar**

Hans Weimar had the following child:

- 538. i. Johannes Waymar He married ? **Heidt**

1078. **Ebert Heidt**

Ebert Heidt had the following child:

- 539. i. ? Heidt She married **Johannes Waymar**

1088. **Georg Dienst**, son of Bartholomäus Dienst, was born about 1581 in Alertshausen. He died on December 05, 1651 in Wunderthausen. He married **Katharina Linde**

1089. **Katharina Linde**, daughter of Johannes Linde, was born about 1583 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Dienst:

Tenant in Altehäusers (now Hanjosts), then called Linde.

Georg Dienst and Katharina Linde had the following child:

- 544. i. Johannes Dienst was born about 1615 in Wunderthausen. He married ?? **Kuhn** about 1635. She was born about 1615 in Wunderthausen.

1090. **Theis Kuhn** was born about 1570 in Prob. Beddelhausen. He married an unknown spouse about 1595.

Notes for Theis Kuhn:

Lived in the house referred to as "beim Wasser" and is the first tenant whose name is certain. It may have been in the family of his wife, named Biebighausen.

Theis Kuhn had the following children:

- i. Gertraud Kuhn was born about 1595 in Wunderthausen. She died after 1626. She married **Johannes Schumacher** in 1617. He was born in Alertshausen. She married **Johannes Schlüßler** He was born in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Abraham Kuhn was born about 1610 in Wunderthausen. He died about 1680 in Diedenshausen. He married **Maria ??** in 1632.

Notes for Abraham Kuhn:

Although he was born in Wunderthausen, he established himself in Diedenshausen after the devastation of the 30 Years War in the house known as Maies. He may well have had other

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children, but only four are known.

545. iii. ?? Kuhn was born about 1615 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johannes Dienst** about 1635. He was born about 1615 in Wunderthausen.

1102. **Johannes Irle**, son of Johannes Erle, was born in Arfeld. He died in Arfeld.

Notes for Johannes Irle:

Lived in Hanneisers Haus in Arfeld.

Johannes Irle had the following child:

551. i. ? Irle She married **Martin Henk**

1104. **Johannes Spies** was born about 1560 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1606 in Diedenshausen. He married **?? Althaus**

1105. **?? Althaus**, daughter of Hans Althaus, was born about 1560.

Notes for Johannes Spies:

Tenant in Schulze Haus, Diedenshausen.

Johannes Spies and ?? Althaus had the following children:

1276. i. Gabriel Spies was born about 1585 in Diedenshausen. He died about 1636 in Diedenshausen.

552. ii. Johannes Spies was born in 1587 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1654 in Diedenshausen. He married **?? Dickel**

- iii. Bastian Spies was born in Diedenshausen. He died before 1616.

1106. **Emanuel Dickel** was born about 1568 in Probably Diedenshausen. He died before 1640 in Diedenshausen. He married **Cathrein ??** before 1609.

1107. **Cathrein ??**, daughter of Thiel ??, was born in Probably Diedenshausen.

Notes for Emanuel Dickel:

Tenant in Diele Haus, Diedenshausen. His origins are unknown.

Emanuel Dickel and Cathrein ?? had the following children:

553. i. ?? Dickel He married **Johannes Spies** He was born in 1587 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1654 in Diedenshausen.

- ii. Elsbeth Dickel was born in Diedenshausen. She married **Hans Flecken** on February 12, 1640 in Berleburg. He was born in Berghausen.

1118. **Matthias Schmidt** was born about 1580 in Probably Diedenshausen. He died after 1630.

Matthias Schmidt had the following child:

559. i. Magdalene Schmidt was born about 1610 in Probably Diedenshausen. She married **Jost Giebel** He was born about 1605. He died after 1654 in Diedenshausen.

1216. **Johannes Homrighausen** was born about 1585 in Wemlighausen. He died after 1643. He married **Elisabeth Hüster** about 1610.

1217. **Elisabeth Hüster**, daughter of Simon Hüster and Luzia Strackbein, was born about 1585 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Homrighausen:

Tenant in Seimes.

Johannes Homrighausen and Elisabeth Hüster had the following child:

608. i. Hans Homrighausen was born about 1615 in Wunderthausen. He married **??** about 1645. She was born about 1615.

1222. **Johann Georg Pletsch** was born about 1565. He died before 1642 in Wunderthausen. He married an unknown spouse about 1590.

Notes for Johann Georg Pletsch:

Thought to have been born in Berleburg, Girkhausen or Berghausen. Lived in the house later known as Mannes in Wunderthausen.

Johann Georg Pletsch had the following children:

- i. ElisabethLeisgen Pletsch was born about 1591 in Wunderthausen. She married **Nicolaus Zacharias** on March 31, 1611. He was born in Elsoff.

611. ii. ?? Pletsch She died after 1680. She married **Hans Georg Strackbein** about 1645. He was born about 1615. He died before 1680.

- iii. ?? Pletsch She married **Hans Beitzel** before 1616. He died about 1672. She married **Hans**

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**Beitzel** He was born about 1570 in Wunderthausen.

1232. **Johannes Strackbein** was born about 1586 in Wunderthausen.

Johannes Strackbein had the following child:

616. i. Johannes Strackbein was born about 1600 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1648 in Wunderthausen. He married an unknown spouse about 1630.

1268. **Hermann Schüßler**, son of Hans Schüßler, was born about 1585 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1649 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Hermann Schüßler:

Tenant in Hermes Haus, Diedenshausen, where he was born.

Hermann Schüßler had the following child:

634. i. Johannes Schüßler was born about 1620 in Diedenshausen. He died about 1699 in Diedenshausen.

1272. **Hans Weller** was born about 1575. He died after 1630 in Diedenshausen. He married **?? Plocher**

1273. **?? Plocher**, daughter of Junghen Plocher and ? Muder.

Hans Weller and ?? Plocher had the following child:

636. i. Johann Phillip Weller was born about 1610 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1678 in Diedenshausen. He married **? Spies** about 1645.

1276. **Gabriel Spies**, son of Johannes Spies and ?? Althaus, was born about 1585 in Diedenshausen. He died about 1636 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Gabriel Spies:

Tenant in Schulze Haus, Diedenshausen.

Gabriel Spies had the following children:

- i. Maria Magdalena Spies was born about 1612 in Diedenshausen. She married **Johann Ludwig Kirstner**

Notes for Maria Magdalena Spies:

She was a chambermaid at the palace in Berleburg and her husband was a secretary. He came from the county of Lauingen.

638. ii. Johannes Spies was born about 1615 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1670 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Catharina ??**

1774. **Adrian Beitzel** was born about 1580 in Prob. Wunderthausen. He died in 1630 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Weber** about 1603 in Diedenshausen.

1775. **Anna Weber**, daughter of Simon Weber, was born on March 21, 1585 in Diedenshausen. She died on March 29, 1645 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Adrian Beitzel:

Tenant in Adriges Haus, Diedenshausen.

Adrian Beitzel and Anna Weber had the following children:

- i. Johannes Beitzel was born about 1600 in Diedenshausen. He died in 1677 in Berleburg. He married **Catharina Hüster** before July 27, 1634 in Diedenshausen. She was born about 1600. She died in 1642 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Beitzel:

Born in Adriges Haus, Diedenshausen, but became the tenant in Hanses.

887. ii. ?? Beitzel was born about 1603. She married **Thönges Becker** in Diedenshausen. He was born about 1610 in Berleburg.

- iii. Daniel Beitzel was born about 1604.

1780. **Johannes Spies**, son of Gabriel Spies, was born about 1615 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1670 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Catharina ??**

1781. **Anna Catharina ??**

Notes for Johannes Spies:

"The younger." Tenant in Schulze. He was a Schultheiß (Schulze in slang), which was a kind of policeman or deputy in service of the count.

Johannes Spies and Anna Catharina ?? had the following children:

890. i. Johann Wilhelm Spies was born about 1640 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1691 in

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- Diedenshausen. He married **Mara ??**
- ii. Elisabeth Spies was born on May 09, 1647 in Diedenshausen. She died in 1710 in Diedenshausen. She married **Sebastian Dickel** before 1681. He was born in 1646 in Schüllar. He died in 1730 in Girkhausen.
  - iii. Johann Gabriel Spies was born about 1648 in Diedenshausen. He died about 1694. He married **Agnes Beitzel** on June 22, 1671. She was born in Wemlighausen.
319. iv. Anna Magdalena Spies was born about 1650 in Diedenshausen. She died after May 23, 1697 in Diedenshausen. She married **Johann Jost Strackbein** about 1694 in Diedenshausen. He was born about 1655 in Diedenshausen. She married **Gabriel Weller** about 1673 in Diedenshausen. He was born about 1650 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1694 in Diedenshausen.
1788. **Samuel Saßmannshausen** was born about 1615 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Catharina Homburger**
1789. **Anna Catharina Homburger**, daughter of Debus Homburger and ?? Pfeil, was born on May 15, 1615 in Hattingen.

Notes for Samuel Saßmannshausen:

Origins unknown, but became the tenant in Webers Haus, Diedenshausen. He lived his life during and in the aftermath of the destructive Thirty Years War. It is possible that he, or his parents, came from the village of Saßmanshausen (where Mannus Riedesel was later to build the impressive school/church that stands to this day).

Notes for Anna Catharina Homburger:

May have been Anna Catharina, born in Webers Haus.

Samuel Saßmannshausen and Anna Catharina Homburger had the following child:

894. i. Johann Jacob Saßmanshausen was born about 1635 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1702 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth ??** about 1670 in Diedenshausen.

### Generation 12

2064. **Johenchen Womelsdorf**, son of Heinrich Womelsdorf, was born about 1480. He married **Catherina ??**
2065. **Catherina ??**

Johenchen Womelsdorf and Catherina ?? had the following child:

1032. i. Rheinart Womelsdorf was born about 1525 in Girkhausen. He married **Catharina ??**
2084. **Reinhard Dornseiff**, son of Hermann Dornseiff and ? von Winter, was born about 1525 in Bromskirchen. He died after 1590 in Wunderthausen. He married **?? Breusing** before 1560.
2085. **?? Breusing**, daughter of Johannes Breusing, was born about 1535.

Notes for Reinhard Dornseiff:

Served as Unterschultheiss in Wunderthausen (kind of deputy sherrif). Lived in the house that became known as Lotzes.

Reinhard Dornseiff and ?? Breusing had the following children:

- i. Reinhard Dornseiff was born about 1560 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1624 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Reinhard Dornseiff:

Tenant in what became known as Lotzes

1042. ii. Johannes Dornseiff was born about 1570 in Wunderthausen. He died in Wunderthausen.
2176. **Bartholomäus Dienst**, son of Johannes Dienst, was born about 1548 in Alertshausen. He died on July 08, 1630 in Laasphe.

Notes for Bartholomäus Dienst:

AKA Mebes.

Bartholomäus Dienst had the following child:

1088. i. Georg Dienst was born about 1581 in Alertshausen. He died on December 05, 1651 in Wunderthausen. He married **Katharina Linde** She was born about 1583 in Wunderthausen.
2178. **Johannes Linde**
- Johannes Linde had the following child:

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1089. i. Katharina Linde was born about 1583 in Wunderthausen. She married **Georg Dienst** He was born about 1581 in Alertshausen. He died on December 05, 1651 in Wunderthausen.
2204. **Johannes Erle** He died in 1641 in Arfeld.
- Notes for Johannes Erle:  
Lived in Hanneisers Haus in Arfeld.
- Johannes Erle had the following child:
1102. i. Johannes Erle was born in Arfeld. He died in Arfeld.
2210. **Hans Althaus** was born in 1535 in Alertshausen or Bromskirchen?. He died after 1591.
- Notes for Hans Althaus:  
First known tenant in Schulze Haus in Diedenshausen. It is speculated that his son, Johannes, was the famous jurist and scholar known as Johannes Althusius.
- Hans Althaus had the following children:
1105. i. ?? Althaus was born about 1560. She married **Johannes Spies** He was born about 1560 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1606 in Diedenshausen.
- ii. Johannes Althaus was born about 1563.
- Notes for Johannes Althaus:  
May be the great scholar known to history as Johannes Althusius. If so, he was educated at the count's expense and went on to a legal career, marrying in 1595 and living until August 17, 1638.
- iii. Zacharias Althaus
2214. **Thiel ??**, son of Heynrich ??, was born about 1540.
- Notes for Thiel ??:  
One of first tenants in Diele Haus, which took its name from him. Oral tradition says that the wood used in a 1619 reconstruction of the house came from the parsonage in Wingshausen when it was broken down [to be replaced in 1700-1710 by a Mannus Riedesel building, which itself was demolished in 1912].
- Thiel ?? had the following child:
1107. i. Cathrein ?? was born in Probably Diedenshausen. She married **Emanuel Dickel** before 1609. He was born about 1568 in Probably Diedenshausen. He died before 1640 in Diedenshausen.
2434. **Simon Hüster** was born about 1560 in Elsoff or Alertshausen. He died after 1606. He married **Luzia Strackbein** about 1585.
2435. **Luzia Strackbein**, daughter of Simon Strackbein, was born about 1560 in Wunderthausen.
- Notes for Luzia Strackbein:  
Born in Seimes house.
- Simon Hüster and Luzia Strackbein had the following child:
1217. i. Elisabeth Hüster was born about 1585 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johannes Homrighausen** about 1610. He was born about 1585 in Wemlighausen. He died after 1643.
2536. **Hans Schüßler**, son of Jost Schüßler, was born about 1560 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1606 in Diedenshausen.
- Notes for Hans Schüßler:  
Tenant in Hermes Haus, Diedenshausen, where he was born.
- Hans Schüßler had the following child:
1268. i. Hermann Schüßler was born about 1585 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1649 in Diedenshausen.
2546. **Junghen Plocher** was born about 1550. He died in Diedenshausen. He married **? Muder**
2547. **? Muder**, daughter of Hen Muder, was born in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Junghen Plocher:  
der Streithöver

Junghen Plocher and ? Muder had the following children:

- i. Georg Plocher was born about 1585 in Diedenshausen. He died between 1631–1640 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catharina Möller** in June 1618 in Diedenshausen. She was

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born in Elsoff. She died before 1740 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Georg Plocher:

Born in and tenant in Schmitte Haus, Diedenshausen.

1273. ii. ?? Plocher She married **Hans Weller** He was born about 1575. He died after 1630 in Diedenshausen.
2552. **Johannes Spies** was born about 1560 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1606 in Diedenshausen. He married **?? Althaus**
2553. **?? Althaus**, daughter of Hans Althaus, was born about 1560.

Notes for Johannes Spies:

Tenant in Schulze Haus, Diedenshausen.

Johannes Spies and ?? Althaus had the following children:

1276. i. Gabriel Spies was born about 1585 in Diedenshausen. He died about 1636 in Diedenshausen.
552. ii. Johannes Spies was born in 1587 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1654 in Diedenshausen. He married **?? Dickel**
- iii. Bastian Spies was born in Diedenshausen. He died before 1616.
3550. **Simon Weber**, son of Heinze Weber, was born about 1545 in Diedenshausen. He died between 1572–1606 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Simon Weber:

Tenant in Adriges Haus, Diedenshausen, where he was born.

Simon Weber had the following child:

1775. i. Anna Weber was born on March 21, 1585 in Diedenshausen. She died on March 29, 1645 in Diedenshausen. She married **Adrian Beitzel** about 1603 in Diedenshausen. He was born about 1580 in Prob. Wunderthausen. He died in 1630 in Diedenshausen.
3578. **Debus Homburger** was born about 1585 in Prob. Homburg. He died after 1651 in Diedenshausen. He married **?? Pfeil**
3579. **?? Pfeil**, daughter of Debus Pfeil.

Notes for Debus Homburger:

Homburg was a county in neighboring Hesse. He became the tenant in Webers Haus, Diedenshausen, through marriage to the daughter of Debus Pfeil.

Debus Homburger and ?? Pfeil had the following child:

1789. i. Anna Catharina Homburger was born on May 15, 1615 in Hattingen. She married **Samuel Saßmannshausen** He was born about 1615 in Diedenshausen.