Compiled by Dr. Paul Riedesel using independent transcriptions of church registers and other documents for Wittgenstein by Jochen Karl Mehldau (1934-2022), Georg Lauber (1904-1978), and J. Wilhelm Knoche (1883-1944).

Ancestors of Maria Elisabeth Althaus

#### Generation 1

1. **Maria Elisabeth Althaus**, daughter of Georg Herman Althaus and Johanna Maria Christina Mörchen, was born on October 20, 1807 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 23, 1890 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). She married **Christian Gerhardt** in 1834 in Probably Baltimore. He was born on May 15, 1808 in Elsoff. He died on August 30, 1888 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

## Notes for Maria Elisabeth Althaus:

Born in Haase Haus, Wunderthausen. It is almost certain that she was the "M E Alhaus" who arrived in Baltimore in about 1833 with her brother Ludwig as well as some of the Gerhardt family. The obituaries differ on where she and Christian were married, but Baltimore seems more likely. After living for about 40 years in Crawford County, Ohio, they moved to Wheatland to live with their daughter and son-in-law, and that is where they are buried. Her presence in Ohio was what drew her two sisters and their families to the New World. The German community around Wheatland would not have been the same without them.

### Notes for Christian Gerhardt:

Born in the house called "Pauls" in the village of Elsoff (slightly south of Wunderthausen). For reasons unknown and a duration uncertain, the family left their property in Elsoff and lived in the village of Beddelhausen. It seems clear that they did not own their own house and land there. The family all came to Baltimore in 1833-1834 and all located to Crawford County, Ohio, where they acquired land in the Jackson Township. Christian himself purchased 80 acres in Section 14 with a certificate dated August 6, 1834. Why they would have settled there seemed inexplicable until I discovered that their close neighbors were descendants of a man who had emigrated from Elsoff a century earlier.

Christian and Maria Elisabeth moved from Ohio to live near the family of George and Elisabeth (Gerhardt) Riedesel in Wheatland. There he purchased land from George in Section 34 of the Liberty Township of Clinton County in the spring of 1873. Their other known daughter, Catherine, remained in the Galion, Ohio area but we know that there was an ongoing connection between the two communities.

The 1850 Ohio Census gives both of their places of birth as Pennsylvania, but this is incorrect. The spelling of the last name varies but I am using Gerhardt following the standard in Germany. I am not alone in mistakenly concluding that the family arrived on the ship James in 1833, but this is almost certainly incorrect. They got here though.

## **Generation 2**

- 2. **Georg Herman Althaus**, son of Philip Althaus and Maria Gertraudt Haase, was born on March 09, 1765 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 21, 1824 in Wunderthausen. He married **Johanna Maria Christina Mörchen** on October 30, 1791 in Wunderthausen.
- 3. **Johanna Maria Christina Mörchen**, daughter of Johann Jost Mörchen and Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen, was born on March 03, 1766 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 24, 1842 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Herman Althaus:

Inherited the tenancy of Haase Haus from his father.

Notes for Johanna Maria Christina Mörchen:

She born at the Wunderthausen mill.

Johanna Maria Christina Mörchen and Georg Herman Althaus had the following children:

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

She was born in Haase Haus, which passed to her husband upon their marriage since she was the oldest child. In 1845, most of the family left Wunderthausen to go to America. They traveled on the ship "New York" out of Bremen, and landed in New York city on June 7, 1845. Her sister, Maria Elisabeth, had come to America years before, married Christian Gerhardt, and settled in Crawford County, Ohio. They joined them. Florentine and her husband died within a few years, reportedly in 1847-1848 in an epidemic.

## 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 fiance, 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.

ii. Elisabeth Gertraud Althaus was born on January 14, 1795 in Wunderthausen. She died between 1845-1850 in probably in Crawford County, Ohio. She married Georg Ludwig Dürr. He was born on January 19, 1799 in Wemlighausen. He died after 1826 in probably in Elberfeld.

### Notes for Elisabeth Gertraud Althaus:

Born in Haase Haus in Wunderthausen and presumably lived there with the extended family. While the senior Ludwig Dürr never married her, there are records showing that he paid some kind of child support and was living in Elberfeld in the late 1820s (many young men from poor Wittgenstein did so, if only seasonally). She came with her son, Ludwig Dürr, and nephew, J. Ludwig Riedesel, to New York on the ship Lesmona out of Bremen. It debarked there on June 24, 1844. All were bound for Crawford County, Ohio. She is nowhere to be seen in later records so presumably died in her first few years in America.

iii. Christine Althaus was born on August 02, 1797 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 07, 1855 in Wingeshausen. She married Georg Heinrich Wetter on October 16, 1825 in Wingeshausen. He was born in Wingeshausen.

# Notes for Christine Althaus:

I have my doubts about whether this marriage took place.

iv. Johann Georg Ludwig Althaus was born on June 20, 1804 in Wunderthausen. He died in Probably Baltimore.

# Notes for Johann Georg Ludwig Althaus:

Born in Haase Haus in Wunderthausen. He is almost certainly the "Ludwig Alhaus" who came to Baltimore on the ship "James" on September 30, 1833 in the company of his sister Maria Elisabeth. Family recollections years later say that he remained in Baltimore and was known as Ludwig.

- v. Maria Elisabeth Althaus was born on October 20, 1807 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 23, 1890 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). She married Christian Gerhardt in 1834 in Probably Baltimore. He was born on May 15, 1808 in Elsoff. He died on August 30, 1888 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).
  - vi. Johann Georg Althaus was born on May 07, 1813 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 23, 1869 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Gertraud Müsse on March 15, 1840 in Wunderthausen. She was born on October 02, 1818 in

Wunderthausen. She died on December 13, 1877 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Althaus:

First inhabitant of Haasebergers Haus, Wunderthausen.

#### **Generation 3**

4. **Philip Althaus**, son of Johann Phillip Althaus and Anna Elisabeth Eckhardt, was born in 1737 in Girkhausen. He died on December 02, 1799 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Gertraudt Haase** on March 23, 1766 in Wunderthausen.

5. **Maria Gertraudt Haase**, daughter of Johannes Haase and Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche, was born on July 25, 1737 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 17, 1799 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Philip Althaus:

Born in Häusches Haus in Girkhausen but married into Haase Haus in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Maria Gertraudt Haase:

Born in Haase Haus which passed to her husband upon her marriage.

Maria Gertraudt Haase and Philip Althaus had the following children:

- 2. i. Georg Herman Althaus was born on March 09, 1765 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 21, 1824 in Wunderthausen. He married Johanna Maria Christina Mörchen on October 30, 1791 in Wunderthausen. She was born on March 03, 1766 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 24, 1842 in Wunderthausen.
  - ii. Elisabeth Florentine Althaus was born on December 07, 1767 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 20, 1817.
  - iii. Johannes Althaus was born on July 02, 1770 in Wunderthausen.
  - iv. Johann Georg Althaus was born on September 13, 1773 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 12, 1841 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Elisabeth Trapp. She was born on September 29, 1782 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 19, 1849 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Althaus: Founded Hanjörges Haus.

- v. Johann Hermann Althaus was born on October 19, 1776 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 29, 1777 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Elisabeth Gertraud Althaus was born on October 28, 1778 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Anna Wilhelmine Althaus was born on October 29, 1781 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 25, 1844 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Franz Mörchen on March 12, 1824 in Wunderthausen. He was born on December 10, 1795 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 27, 1855 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Franz Mörchen: Inherited the house Am Gefälle.

- 6. **Johann Jost Mörchen**, son of Johann Matthäus Mörchen and Anna Margarete ??, was born on January 20, 1723 in Wunderthausen. He died on probably after 1788. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen** on November 18, 1757 in Wunderthausen.
- 7. **Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen**, daughter of Johann Georg Homrighausen and Anna Maria Juliana Strackbein, was born on December 28, 1737 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 10, 1805 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Jost Mörchen:

Born at the Wunderthausen Mill and lived there. Christened Johannes Matthias. A record of his death is oddly missing from the local church records. I would surmise that he died after 1788 when his son (and heir to the mill) Johann Georg married.

Notes for Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen:

Born in Weißkopfs Haus.

Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen and Johann Jost Mörchen had the following children:

i. Elisabeth Amalia Mörchen was born on December 25, 1758 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 10, 1822 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Strackbein on April 23, 1779 in Wunderthausen. He was born on December 23, 1752 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 16, 1822 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Elisabeth Amalia Mörchen:

Referred to as Anna Amalia in some records but she was christened Elisabeth Amalia. Born at the Wunderthausen mill.

ii. Johann Georg Mörchen was born on November 30, 1760 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 15, 1828 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Gertraud Strackbein on August 30, 1788 in Wunderthausen. She was born on August 08, 1763 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 05, 1814 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Mörchen:

The miller in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Elisabeth Gertraud Strackbein:

Born in Gundernanns Haus, Wunderthausen.

iii. Georg Ludwig Mörchen was born on December 11, 1763 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 17, 1828 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Amalie Riedesel on September 14, 1794 in Wunderthausen. She was born on February 26, 1771 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 11, 1849 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Ludwig Mörchen:

First tenant am Gefälle.

- iv. Johanna Maria Christina Mörchen was born on March 03, 1766 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 24, 1842 in Wunderthausen. She married Georg Herman Althaus on October 30, 1791 in Wunderthausen. He was born on March 09, 1765 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 21, 1824 in Wunderthausen.
  - v. Georg Franz Mörchen was born on July 15, 1769 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 30, 1847 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Amalia Womelsdorf on January 17, 1802 in Wunderthausen. She was born on April 22, 1770 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 21, 1829 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Franz Mörchen:

Born at the Wunderthausen mill. Married the widow of the tenant at Seilers Haus.

vi. Georg Gabriel Mörchen was born on December 12, 1771 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Gabriel Mörchen:

He was born at the Wunderthausen mill. Applied to emigrate to America in 1796.

vii. Johannes Mörchen was born on April 08, 1775 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 11, 1816 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Magdalene Strackbein on April 25, 1802 in Wunderthausen. She was born on January 03, 1784 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 09, 1844 in Wunderthausen.

## **Generation 4**

- 8. **Johann Phillip Althaus**, son of Johann Georg Althaus, was born on November 07, 1700 in Girkhausen. He died on December 11, 1763 in Girkhausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Eckhardt**.
- 9. **Anna Elisabeth Eckhardt**, daughter of Abraham Eckhardt and Anna Elisabeth Pott, was born on May 14, 1705 in Girkhausen. She died on November 08, 1768 in Girkhausen.

Anna Elisabeth Eckhardt and Johann Phillip Althaus had the following child:

4. i. Philip Althaus was born in 1737 in Girkhausen. He died on December 02, 1799 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Gertraudt Haase on March 23, 1766 in Wunderthausen. She was born on July 25, 1737 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 17, 1799 in Wunderthausen.

- Johannes Haase was born in 1709 in Probably Mollseifen. He died on October 17, 1777 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche on January 08, 1734 in Wunderthausen
- 11. **Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche**, daughter of Johann Hermann Knoche and Anna Magdalena Saßmannshausen, was born on November 16, 1708 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 09, 1779 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Haase:

Haase Haus was built for Johannes Haase, probably in the 1730s. His origins are not known but he was probably not from Wunderthausen originally.

Notes for Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche:

She was born in Bormanns Haus in Wunderthausen and, with her husband, moved to what became known as Haase Haus when it was built.

Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche and Johannes Haase had the following children:

- i. Elisabeth Gertraud Haase was born on October 15, 1734 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 11, 1760 in Wunderthausen.
- 5. ii. Maria Gertraudt Haase was born on July 25, 1737 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 17, 1799 in Wunderthausen. She married Philip Althaus on March 23, 1766 in Wunderthausen. He was born in 1737 in Girkhausen. He died on December 02, 1799 in Wunderthausen.
  - iii. Georg Hermann Haase was born on January 31, 1739 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 11, 1812 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Juliana Homrighausen on April 24, 1774 in Wunderthausen. She was born on October 27, 1741 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 26, 1794 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Hermann Haase: Tenant in Räderhaase Haus in Wunderthausen.

- iv. Elisabeth Gertraud Haase was born on September 01, 1747 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 30, 1748 in Wunderthausen.
- v. Matthias Haase was born on March 20, 1749 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 25, 1749 in Wunderthausen.
- 12. **Johann Matthäus Mörchen** was born in January 1681 in Bromskirchen. He died on December 02, 1768 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Margarete ??**.
- 13. **Anna Margarete ??**. She died in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Matthäus Mörchen:

In an exception to the rule of passing tenancy to the oldest child of either gender, the mill remained in the hands of a Mörchen from its first mention in the early 1700s until it was demolished around 1920. One record says that J. Matthäus (or Matthias) came to Wunderthausen from Bromskirchen, a larger town to the east outside of Wittgenstein (then in the province of Waldeck). Yet others claim he came from Waldeck in Bavaria (which I find very doubtful). If the mill was established when Matthias Mörchen came to Wunderthausen, it was during the reign of Graf Casimir who tried his best to diversify the economy of Wittgenstein. Establishing a mill where there had been none and bringing in a trained miller would have been consistent with Casimir's practices.

Anna Margarete ?? and Johann Matthäus Mörchen had the following children:

- i. Wilhelm Mörchen was born about 1712. He died on May 03, 1786 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Anna Maria Mörchen was born about 1715 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 29, 1778 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Trapp on October 26, 1738 in Wunderthausen. He was born on October 02, 1702 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 28, 1775 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Trapp: Born in Weymers, founded Schusters house.

- 6. iii. Johann Jost Mörchen was born on January 20, 1723 in Wunderthausen. He died on probably after 1788. He married Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen on November 18, 1757 in Wunderthausen. She was born on December 28, 1737 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 10, 1805 in Wunderthausen.
  - iv. Maria Christiane Mörchen was born on September 20, 1725 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 04, 1802 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Althaus on June 11, 1754 in Elsoff.
  - v. Catherine Elisabeth Mörchen was born on February 29, 1728 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 04. 1799 in Wunderthausen.
- 14. 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.
- 15. **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.

Notes for Anna Maria Juliana Strackbein:

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

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

- i. Katharina Homrighausen was born on October 21, 1730 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 21, 1795 in Wunderthausen.
- 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.

Notes for Johannes Homrighausen: Born in and tenant in the house known as Weißkopfs or Seimes.

- 7. 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.
  - 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 marrige.

Notes for Anna Catharina Ruppert: Born in Wetzels house.

## **Generation 5**

16. **Johann Georg Althaus**.

Johann Georg Althaus had the following child:

- 8. i. Johann Phillip Althaus was born on November 07, 1700 in Girkhausen. He died on December 11, 1763 in Girkhausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Eckhardt. She was born on May 14, 1705 in Girkhausen. She died on November 08, 1768 in Girkhausen.
- 18. **Abraham Eckhardt**, son of Johann Jost Eckhardt and Gertraudt Beitzel, was born about 1675 in Girkhausen. He died before 1740. He married **Anna Elisabeth Pott** on February 20, 1697.
- 19. **Anna Elisabeth Pott**, daughter of Curt Pott and Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen, was born in 1671 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 02, 1746.

Anna Elisabeth Pott and Abraham Eckhardt had the following children:

- i. Johann Georg Eckhardt was born on August 01, 1697 in Diedenshausen.
- 9. ii. Anna Elisabeth Eckhardt was born on May 14, 1705 in Girkhausen. She died on November 08, 1768 in Girkhausen. She married Johann Phillip Althaus. He was born on November 07, 1700 in Girkhausen. He died on December 11, 1763 in Girkhausen.
- 22. **Johann Hermann Knoche**, son of Johann Henrich Knoche and ?? Homrighausen, was born on April 03, 1687 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1740 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Magdalena Saßmannshausen** on August 19, 1708.
- 23. **Anna Magdalena Saßmannshausen**, daughter of Johann Jacob Saßmanshausen and Anna Elisabeth ??, 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.

Anna Magdalena Saßmannshausen and Johann Hermann Knoche had the following child:

- i. Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche was born on November 16, 1708 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 09, 1779 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Haase on January 08, 1734 in Wunderthausen. He was born in 1709 in Probably Mollseifen. He died on October 17, 1777 in Wunderthausen.
- 28. **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.
- 29. **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.

Anna Liese Strackbein and Johannes Homrighausen had the following children:

- 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 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 Gertraudt 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.
- Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on August 27, 1714 in Wunderthausen.
   She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- 30. **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.
- 31. **Gertraud 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.

Gertraud Knoche and Hans Georg Strackbein had the following children:

 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.

- 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.

Notes for Johannes Dienst:

Tenant in Linde Haus.

Notes for Samuel Strackbein:

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

Notes for Johann Georg Strackbein:

It is not clear where he came from though is certainly a Wittgensteiner. Married into Linde Haus in Wunderthausen but it is not certain where he came from.

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

### **Generation 6**

- 36. **Johann Jost Eckhardt** was born about 1650 in Diedenshausen. He died about 1702 in Diedenshausen. He married **Gertraudt Beitzel**.
- 37. **Gertraudt Beitzel**. She died between 1678-1683 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Jost Eckhardt:

Born in and tenant in Pauls house, Diedenshausen.

Notes for Gertraudt Beitzel:

From Hanses house, Diedenshausen.

Gertraudt Beitzel and Johann Jost Eckhardt had the following child:

- 18. i. Abraham Eckhardt was born about 1675 in Girkhausen. He died before 1740. He married Anna Elisabeth Pott on February 20, 1697. She was born in 1671 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 02, 1746.
- 38. **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.
- 39. **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.

Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen and Curt Pott had the following children:

 Johann Hermann Pott was born about 1670 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.

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.

- 19. ii. Anna Elisabeth Pott was born in 1671 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 02, 1746. She married Abraham Eckhardt on February 20, 1697. He was born about 1675 in Girkhausen. He died before 1740.
  - iii. Catharina Pott was born about 1677 in Wunderthausen.
  - iv. Anna Elisabeth Pott was born on April 06, 1679 in Wunderthausen.
  - 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.

Notes for Johann Valentin Pott:

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

vi. Johann Matthias Pott was born on June 24, 1684 in Wunderthausen.

- vii. Johann Georg Pott was born on May 10, 1686 in Wunderthausen.
- 44. **Johann Henrich Knoche** was born about 1640 in Prob. Wingeshausen. He married **?? Homrighausen**.
- 45. **?? Homrighausen**, daughter of Bastian Homrighausen and **??** Beitzel, was born about 1640 in Wunderthausen.

?? Homrighausen and Johann Henrich Knoche had the following children:

 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.

- ii. Gertraudt Knoche was born about 1667 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 21, 1751 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 1670 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.

Notes for Johann Hermann Pott: Born in and became the tenant in Kurts.

- 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.
- 46. **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.
- 47. Anna Elisabeth ??.

Notes for Johann Jacob Saßmanshausen:

Born in and tenant in Webers Haus, Diedenshausen.

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

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.

Notes for Johann Hermann Benfer:

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

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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 56. **Johann Georg Homrighausen**, son of Hans Homrighausen and ??, was born about 1645 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Strackbein** about 1670.
- 57. **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.

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

- 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.

Notes for Anna Catharina Boshoff:

She was born in the house known variously as Gertrudens, Unter der Leye, and Leienschneiders. There is no record of her birth, but several generations of Boßhof (Booßhoff) are recorded there in other records. As of 1650, the house itself lay between Wunderthausen and Diedenshausen. When it was moved into Wunderthausen is not known.

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, 1745 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Jacob Homrighausen: Lived in Altehäusers which probably came to him through marriage. Born in Seimes Haus.

Notes for Anna Christina Boshoff:

Almost certainly born in Altehäusers as the daughter of Theiß Boßhof.

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.

Notes for Johann Georg Wetzel: Shepherd, and lived in Schwarze house.

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.

Notes for Johann Georg Strackbein: Tenant in Hohmanns Haus, 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.
- 58. **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.

  Hans Georg Strackbein had the following children:
  - 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.
- 29. 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. 60. **Hans Strackbein**, son of Johannes Strackbein, was born about 1630 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1699 in Wunderthausen.

Hans Strackbein had the following children:

- 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.
  - 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.