Ancestors of Maria Elisabeth Mörchen

Generation 1

1. **Maria Elisabeth Mörchen**, daughter of Ludwig Heinrich Mörchen and Maria Elisabeth Riedesel, was born on November 23, 1864 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Maria Elisabeth Mörchen:

Born at the Wunderthausen mill. She came to America on the Prince Frederick Wilhelm out of Bremen, landing in New York on April 30, 1882 in the company of other Wunderthäuser. Some records show her marrying L.H. Homrighausen but that was her older, half-sister Amalia (born 1856). Chances are she went to the Kansas City area.

Generation 2

- 2. **Ludwig Heinrich Mörchen**, son of Johannes Mörchen and Maria Juliana Riedesel, was born on December 27, 1828 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 24, 1866 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Elisabeth Riedesel** on March 21, 1858 in Wunderthausen.
- 3. **Maria Elisabeth Riedesel**, daughter of Georg Ludwig Riedesel and Maria Catherine Homrighausen, was born on August 15, 1831 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 02, 1871 in Wunderthausen.

Maria Elisabeth Riedesel and Ludwig Heinrich Mörchen had the following child:

1. i. Maria Elisabeth Mörchen was born on November 23, 1864 in Wunderthausen.

Generation 3

- 4. **Johannes Mörchen**, son of Johann Georg Mörchen and Elisabeth Gertraud Strackbein, was born on March 02, 1796 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 22, 1836 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Juliana Riedesel** on June 19, 1830 in Wunderthausen.
- 5. **Maria Juliana Riedesel**, daughter of Johannes Riedesel and Maria Elisabeth Dienst, was born on June 30, 1791 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 22, 1836 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Mörchen:

The miller in Wunderthausen.

Maria Juliana Riedesel and Johannes Mörchen had the following children:

- i. Ludwig Heinrich Mörchen was born on December 27, 1828 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 24, 1866 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Elisabeth Riedesel on March 21, 1858 in Wunderthausen. She was born on August 15, 1831 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 02, 1871 in Wunderthausen. He married Christine Sonneborn on June 15, 1851 in Wunderthausen. She was born in 1825 in Hemschlar. She died on October 25, 1857 in Wunderthausen.
 - ii. Anna Elisabeth Mörchen was born on August 01, 1831 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 03, 1835 in Wunderthausen.
 - iii. Florentine Mörchen was born on December 03, 1834 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 31, 1919 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). She married Johannes Riedesel on May 17, 1858 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He was born on November 11, 1833 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 27, 1898 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

Notes for Florentine Mörchen:

Born in the Wunderthausen Mill. Came to the U.S. on the Johann Schmidt out of Bremen, landing in New Orleans on June 1, 1857. By1900, she and several of the children had relocated to a farm in Scott County.

Notes for Johannes Riedesel:

Used the name "John H." in America. Born in the house known as Schreiners or Grosseludwigs in Wunderthausen. Arrived October 25, 1854 in New Orleans on the ship "Auguste" from Bremen in the company of other Wunderthäuser. May have first settled in Iowa City but was in Wheatland by 1860. He initially farmed north of Wheatland in Section 3 of the Spring Rock Township of Clinton County (I think), but later records say the family had property south of town near Big Rock.

Three of his (much younger) brothers also settled around Wheatland but it is difficult to tell how close they were.

- 6. **Georg Ludwig Riedesel**, son of Johann Franz Riedesel and Anna Margarete Fuchs, was born on February 15, 1801 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 07, 1878 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Catherine Homrighausen** on April 18, 1830 in Wunderthausen.
- 7. **Maria Catherine Homrighausen**, daughter of Johann Georg Homrighausen and Juliana Catherine Gertraud Dienst, was born on April 01, 1810 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 11, 1870 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Ludwig Riedesel: Lived in Seimes Haus, Wunderthausen.

Maria Catherine Homrighausen and Georg Ludwig Riedesel had the following children:

- i. Maria Elisabeth Riedesel was born on August 15, 1831 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 02, 1871 in Wunderthausen. She married Ludwig Heinrich Mörchen on March 21, 1858 in Wunderthausen. He was born on December 27, 1828 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 24, 1866 in Wunderthausen. She married Christian Marburger on February 21, 1870. He was born on May 09, 1835 in Alertshausen (Garsmühle). He died in possibly Girkhausen.
 - ii. Maria Catherine Riedesel was born on June 11, 1834 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 02, 1907 in Wunderthausen.
 - iii. Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel was born on September 26, 1836 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 17, 1924 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen on March 09, 1862 in Wunderthausen. She was born on April 03, 1837 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 04, 1902 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel: Lived in Schmeds/Franzose in Wunderthausen.

iv. Anna Elisabeth Riedesel was born on February 23, 1839 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 23, 1894 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Ludwig Lauber on April 03, 1864 in Wunderthausen. He was born on February 25, 1840 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 10, 1917 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Ludwig Lauber: Lived in Seimes house in Wunderthausen.

- v. Anna Catherine Riedesel was born on August 11, 1841 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 13, 1845 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Florentine Riedesel was born on December 23, 1843 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 21, 1920 in Camden City, New Jersey. She married Jacob Strable in 1880. He was born in August 1831 in Germany. He died on December 31, 1914 in Camden, Camden, New Jersey (I don't have documentation at hand for the December date. The church record I have linked gives a burial in June of 1914. Either the December date is wrong or the church record is for someone else in Camden.). She married Heinrich Baumgartner. He was born in Probably Germany. He died before 1880.

Notes for Florentine Riedesel:

Born in Seimes Haus, Wunderthausen. Appears to have arrived in New York on the ship S. S. Donau out of Bremen on November 25, 1871, though years later she told a Census enumerator that she came in 1872. Several other passengers were from Wunderthausen. She apparently married a Heinrich Baumgartner first but had married Jacob Strable by 1880. In 1880, they were sharing a domicile in Oxford with her sister and brother-in-law. Three children from the Baumgartner family were living.

She bore a total of eight children by 1900, but only two--Henry and Anna Strable--were alive. A 1922 directory for Camden, NJ, lists her as a widow but that would be in error IF the record of her death in 1920 is correct. Hers is a difficult family to

follow.

Notes for Jacob Strable:

He came to the U.S. from Germany in 1873. His family name was probably something like Ströbel originally. Living next door to them in 1900 was the family of Henry "Strebel".

- vii. Johann Georg Riedesel was born on July 11, 1846 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 16, 1924 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen on December 04, 1875 in Girkhausen. She was born on June 09, 1852 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 22, 1925 in Wunderthausen.
- viii. Georg Franz Riedesel was born on July 12, 1849 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 08, 1849 in Wunderthausen.
- ix. Georg Friedrich Riedesel was born on April 29, 1851 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 26, 1851 in Wunderthausen.
- x. Anna Catherine Riedesel was born on May 05, 1853 in Wunderthausen. She died in 1931 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey (Hillside Cemetery, Oxford). She married Karl Christian Busch on February 26, 1877 in Easton, Northampton, Pennsylvania. He was born in December 1854 in Germany. He died before 1910 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey (Hillside Cemetery, Oxford).

Notes for Anna Catherine Riedesel:

Born in Seimes Haus in Wunderthausen. Arrived in New York on the ship S. S. Donau out of Bremen on November 25, 1871. Several other passengers were from Wunderthausen. In 1880, she and her husband were sharing a domicile with her sister and her family. By 1900 she had borne seven children, but only four were living. I do not have the names of the other three.

Her grave names her as "Anna K. Riddle", wife of Charles Bush. Other records call her "Catherine."

Notes for Karl Christian Busch:

He was known in this country as Charles Bush. He was a Mason judging by the marker on his grave (which gives no dates).

xi. Heinrich Friedrich Riedesel was born on January 11, 1856 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 19, 1931 in Osage County, Kansas.

Notes for Heinrich Friedrich Riedesel:

He was born in Seimes house in Wunderthausen. He came to New York on October 4, 1881, aboard the ship Salier out of Bremen. The age matches (25), and he was accompanied by a Georg Strackbein (age 24), almost certainly from Kurts house in Wunderthausen.

As of 1900 and 1910 he was farming in Woodbury County, Iowa, not far from several Strackbein families. I can find no trace of him in the 1920 Census, but he is in Osage County, Kansas, in 1930. He never married.

Henry died Intestate, and an acquaintance from Burlingame was appointed to sell his possessions and settle debts. Henry owned less than 10 acres of land and a few miscellaneous goods. The probate records suggest that he had moved to Burlingame only in recent years. After paying outstanding debts, the executor had \$32.04 to distribute to five nephews and nieces (who had to be tracked down). Both of his sisters were deceased at the time of his death, or at least by the time his meager estate was settled in December 1933.

Generation 4

8. **Johann Georg Mörchen**, son of Johann Jost Mörchen and Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen, 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.

9. **Elisabeth Gertraud Strackbein**, daughter of Johannes Strackbein and Anna Catharina Riedesel, 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.

Elisabeth Gertraud Strackbein and Johann Georg Mörchen had the following children:

- i. Maria Christina Mörchen was born on January 29, 1789 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 06, 1799 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Florentine Mörchen was born on December 31, 1790 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 23, 1794 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Elisabeth Amalia Mörchen was born on February 16, 1793 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 23, 1796 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Johannes Mörchen was born on March 02, 1796 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 22, 1836 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Juliana Riedesel on June 19, 1830 in Wunderthausen. She was born on June 30, 1791 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 22, 1836 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Riedesel. She was born on May 16, 1796 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 22, 1836 in Wunderthausen.
 - v. Elisabeth Florentine Mörchen was born on June 26, 1799 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 11, 1853 in Wunderthausen.
 - vi. Anna Elisabeth Mörchen was born on November 21, 1803 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 26, 1871 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Hermann Knoche on February 15, 1829 in Wunderthausen. He was born on October 21, 1799 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 09, 1856 in Wunderthausen.
- 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.
- 11. **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.

Notes for Maria Elisabeth Dienst:

Born in Linde Haus in Wunderthausen.

Maria Elisabeth Dienst and Johannes Riedesel 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.
 - ii. Maria Juliana Riedesel was born on March 31, 1777 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 04, 1777 in Wunderthausen.
 - 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.

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

Notes for Georg Ludwig Schneider:

Born in Altehäusers Haus and became the tenant after his father.

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 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.

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.

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.

Notes for Johann Philipp Schneider: First tenant in Hanphilippses Haus in Wunderthausen.

5. 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.

- 12. **Johann Franz Riedesel**, son of Johannes Riedesel and Maria Elisabeth Dienst, 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.
- 13. **Anna Margarete Fuchs**, daughter of Johann Ludwig Fuchs and Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen, 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.

Anna Margarete Fuchs and Johann Franz Riedesel had the following children:

- i. Georg Ludwig Riedesel was born on February 15, 1801 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 07, 1878 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Catherine Homrighausen on April 18, 1830 in Wunderthausen. She was born on April 01, 1810 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 11, 1870 in Wunderthausen.
 - ii. Catherine Elisabeth Riedesel was born on July 17, 1803 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 04, 1805 in Wunderthausen.
 - iii. Maria Elisabeth Riedesel was born on April 14, 1806 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 24, 1873 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Franz Homrighausen on April 18, 1830 in Wunderthausen. He was born on February 05, 1806 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 18, 1878 in Wunderthausen. She married ??.

Notes for Johann Franz Homrighausen:

Resident in Linde Haus in Wunderthausen. It was during his life time that the peasants of Wunderthausen were able (and required) to purchase their houses and land from the Sayn-Wittgenstein family that had ruled Wittgenstein since the 1200s. This emancipation was a result of the Napoleonic Wars and subsequent Congress of Vienna in 1815 that concentrated the scores of small German states into a few larger ones.

iv. Johann Georg Riedesel was born on November 13, 1810 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 31, 1894 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey (Hazen Cemetery, Warren County, NJ). He married Anna Catherine Riedesel in 1837. She was born on April 22, 1815 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 11, 1909 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey (Hazen Cemetery, Warren County, NJ).

Notes for Johann Georg Riedesel:

Born in Seimes/Weisßkopf Haus in Wunderthausen but went to America in 1837, reportedly after being discharged from military service in 1834. He and Catherine were married in Germany in 1837, but not in the Girkhausen parish of which their native Wunderthausen was a part. They went to America and settled at Oxford, New Jersey (now Hazen) in 1837; the name of their ship or exact travel dates are not known. Much of the information about the family is taken from a family Bible that was transcribed by a descendant.

At least by the children's generation, they had settled on the name of "Riddle" though there are references to other variations. Known as George--sometimes Ritesel, sometimes Radle, sometimes Riddle. A transcription of the New Jersey death record lists him as "J. George Riddle." That source gives his year of death as 1893. His grave marker says 1884. Other family trees say 1894 which I am accepting for now but any of the dates is possible.

Notes for Anna Catherine Riedesel:

Born in Wetzels house in Wunderthausen. Married her husband in Germany in 1837 and came to America that year, according to family records. The 1900 Census gives her name as "Riddle." In other sources it is listed as Radle.

She appears to have been known as Mary Catherine.

- 14. **Johann Georg Homrighausen**, son of Sebastian Homrighausen and Anna Elisabeth Pott, was born on July 15, 1762 in Diedenshausen. He died on December 03, 1825 in Wunderthausen. He married **Juliana Catherine Gertraud Dienst** on July 18, 1802.
- 15. **Juliana Catherine Gertraud Dienst**, daughter of Johann Franz Dienst and Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen, was born on January 27, 1784 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 17, 1853.

Notes for Johann Georg Homrighausen:

Born in Hermes house, Diedenshausen, married into Linde house in Wunderthausen.

Juliana Catherine Gertraud Dienst and Johann Georg Homrighausen had the following children:

- i. Johann Georg Homrighausen was born on December 16, 1803 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 27, 1877 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Johann Franz Homrighausen was born on February 05, 1806 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 18, 1878 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Elisabeth Riedesel on April 18, 1830 in Wunderthausen. She was born on April 14, 1806 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 24, 1873 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Franz Homrighausen:

Resident in Linde Haus in Wunderthausen. It was during his life time that the peasants of Wunderthausen were able (and required) to purchase their houses and land from the Sayn-Wittgenstein family that had ruled Wittgenstein since the 1200s. This emancipation was a result of the Napoleonic Wars and subsequent Congress of Vienna in 1815 that concentrated the scores of small German states into a few larger ones.

- iii. Georg Franz Homrighausen was born on November 15, 1807 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 07, 1847 in Wunderthausen.
- 7. iv. Maria Catherine Homrighausen was born on April 01, 1810 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 11, 1870 in Wunderthausen. She married Georg Ludwig Riedesel on April 18, 1830 in Wunderthausen. He was born on February 15, 1801 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 07, 1878 in Wunderthausen.
 - v. Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on February 08, 1812 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 12, 1883 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Lauber on July 06, 1834. He was born on December 25, 1810 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 28, 1859 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Lauber: Born in and lived in Hohmanns house, Wunderthausen.

- Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen was born on December 12, 1813 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 11, 1814 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Georg Ludwig Homrighausen was born on January 06, 1816 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 08, 1887 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Magdalena Riedesel on September 18, 1842 in Wunderthausen. She was born on July 07, 1824 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 26, 1898 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Ludwig Homrighausen: Took over Wetzels house though born in Linde.

viii. Johannes Homrighausen was born on August 23, 1819 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 04, 1898 in Red Bud, Randolph, Illinois.

Notes for Johannes Homrighausen:

Born in Linde Haus in Wunderthausen. He came to America in 1845 on the ship Minna with other people from Wunderthausen. Known here as John. Lived and worked on his brother Henry's farm; never married.

ix. Johann Heinrich Homrighausen was born on April 20, 1822 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 05, 1881 in Red Bud, Randolph, Illinois (St. Marcus Cemetery, Monroe County). He married Sophia Scharch in 1847. She was born on December 07, 1825 in Darmstadt. She died on October 02, 1887 in Red Bud,

Randolph, Illinois.

Notes for Johann Heinrich Homrighausen:

Born in Linde Haus in Wunderthausen. Went to America in 1841. He reportedly lived first in St. Louis, then in Kansas City, then back to St. Louis before buying land in Monroe County, Illinois near Red Bud in 1854.

Generation 5

- 16. **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.
- 17. **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 wa

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

- 8. 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.
 - 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.

Notes for Johanna Maria Christina Mörchen: She born at the Wunderthausen mill.

Notes for Georg Herman Althaus: Inherited the tenancy of Haase Haus from his father.

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.
- 18. **Johannes Strackbein**, son of Johann Georg Strackbein and Anna Catharina Homrighausen, was born on January 20, 1725 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 13, 1778 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Catharina Riedesel** on April 23, 1752 in Wunderthausen.
- Anna Catharina Riedesel, daughter of Johann Georg Riedesel and Anna Elisabeth Knoche, was born on February 03, 1734 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 15, 1765 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Strackbein:

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

Anna Catharina Riedesel and Johannes Strackbein had the following children:

i. Johann Georg Strackbein was born on December 23, 1752 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 16, 1822 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Amalia Mörchen on April 23, 1779 in Wunderthausen. She was born on December 25, 1758 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 10, 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. Johannes Strackbein was born on May 09, 1754 in Wunderthausen. He died in 1754 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Elisabeth Margarete Strackbein was born on November 08, 1755 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 29, 1758 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Elisabeth Margarete Strackbein was born on November 13, 1759 in Wunderthausen.
- 9. v. Elisabeth Gertraud Strackbein was born on August 08, 1763 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 05, 1814 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Mörchen on August 30, 1788 in Wunderthausen. He was born on November 30, 1760 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 15, 1828 in Wunderthausen.
- 20. **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.
- 21. **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.

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

 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.

Notes for Ludwig Heinrich Strackbein:

Born in Kurts Haus, Wunderthausen. Became the tenant in Schäfers.

- 22. 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.
- 23. **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.

Maria Magdalena Pott and Johannes Dienst had the following children:

 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. Notes for Georg Gabriel Homrighausen:
Born in and became the tenant in Hohmanns Haus in Wunderthausen.

- 30. 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 April 29, 1835 in 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.
- 11. 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.
- 24. **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.
- 25. **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.

Notes for Maria Elisabeth Dienst:

Born in Linde Haus in Wunderthausen.

Maria Elisabeth Dienst and Johannes Riedesel 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.

- ii. Maria Juliana Riedesel was born on March 31, 1777 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 04, 1777 in Wunderthausen.
- 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.

Notes for Johann Georg Riedesel:

Born in and tenant in Weymers Haus, 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.

Notes for Georg Ludwig Schneider:

Born in Altehäusers Haus and became the tenant after his father.

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 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.

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.

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.

Notes for Johann Philipp Schneider: First tenant in Hanphilippses Haus 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.
- 26. **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.
- 27. **Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen**, daughter of Johannes Homrighausen and Anna Maria Amalia 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.

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

- 13. 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.
 - 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.

Notes for Johann Georg Riedesel: Born in and tenant in Weymers Haus, 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 Münker on October 18, 1824. He was born in Krombach, Siegen.
- 28. **Sebastian Homrighausen**, son of Johann Jakob Homrighausen and Catherina Elisabeth Weller, 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.

- 29. Anna Elisabeth Pott, daughter of Johann Valentin Pott and Anna Maria Magdalena Spies, was born on January 25, 1722 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 06, 1803 in Diedenshausen. Anna Elisabeth Pott and Sebastian Homrighausen had the following children:
 - i. Catharina Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on October 10, 1751 in Diedenshausen. She died on February 13, 1824 in Diedenshausen. She married Johann Philipp Kuhn on September 17, 1775 in Diedenshausen. He was born on April 20, 1747 in Diedenshausen. He died on April 12, 1824 in Diedenshausen. She married Johann Franz Gernand on May 25, 1770 in Diedenshausen. He was born on December 26, 1745 in Diedenshausen. He died on August 18, 1774 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Franz Gernand: Born in and became the tenant in Kriegers house in Diedenshausen.

ii. Johannes Homrighausen was born on September 24, 1753 in Diedenshausen. He died on April 13, 1803 in Diedenshausen. He married Maria Amalia Spies on April 23, 1775 in Diedenshausen. She was born on October 27, 1749 in Diedenshausen. She died on October 07, 1805 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johannes Homrighausen: Born in and tenant in Hermes Haus, Diedenshausen.

- 14. iii. Johann Georg Homrighausen was born on July 15, 1762 in Diedenshausen. He died on December 03, 1825 in Wunderthausen. He married Juliana Catherine Gertraud Dienst on July 18, 1802. She was born on January 27, 1784 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 17, 1853.
 - iv. Johanna Wilhelmine Homrighausen was born on August 27, 1765 in Diedenshausen. She died on February 23, 1847 in Wunderthausen. She married Georg Franz Homrighausen on September 09, 1785. He was born on January 21, 1768 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 14, 1848 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Franz Homrighausen: Born in and tenant in Hohmanns house, Wunderthaunsen.

- 30. **Johann Franz Dienst**, son of Johannes Dienst and Maria Magdalena Pott, 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.
- 31. **Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen**, daughter of Georg Hermann Homrighausen and Maria Catharina Kuhn, was born on August 27, 1759 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 29, 1835 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Franz Dienst:

Born in and tenant in Linde Haus, Wunderthausen.

Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen and Johann Franz Dienst had the following children:

 Elisabeth Gertraud Dienst was born on January 24, 1783 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 19, 1871 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Ludwig Womelsdorf on August 11, 1805. He was born on March 20, 1771 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 27, 1816 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Elisabeth Gertraud Dienst: Born in Linde Haus, Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Ludwig Womelsdorf: Tenant in Beckers Haus, Wunderthausen.

15. ii. Juliana Catherine Gertraud Dienst was born on January 27, 1784 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 17, 1853. She married Johann Georg Homrighausen on July 18, 1802. He was born on July 15, 1762 in Diedenshausen. He died on December 03, 1825 in Wunderthausen.

- iii. Elisabeth Gertraud Dienst was born on August 15, 1788 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 19, 1871 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Womelsdorf on August 11, 1805 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Maria Magdalena Dienst was born on July 18, 1790 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 22, 1857 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Hermann Beitzel on July 05, 1818 in Wunderthausen. He was born on February 29, 1776 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 02, 1834 in Wunderthausen.
- v. Johannes Dienst was born on May 01, 1793 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 24, 1851 in Diedenshausen. He married Maria Elisabeth Keller on December 03, 1823. She was born in Diedenshausen.

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- 32. **Johann Matthäus Mörchen** was born in January 1681 in Bromskirchen. He died on December 02, 1768 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Margarete ??**.
- 33. **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:

- 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.

- 16. 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.
 - 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.
- 34. **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.
- 35. **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.
- 54. 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.
- 17. 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.

- 36. **Johann Georg Strackbein**, son of Hans 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.
- 37. **Anna Catharina Homrighausen**, daughter of Johann Georg Homrighausen and Anna Elisabeth Strackbein, 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.

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

i. 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.

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

Notes for Johann Jakob Homrighausen: Born in Seimes house but married into Hohmanns.

- iii. Johann Jacob Strackbein was born on December 31, 1714 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 02, 1742 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Catherine Strackbein on September 22, 1740. She was born on December 26, 1723 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 04, 1784 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Catherine Strackbein on September 22, 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Anna Margareta Strackbein was born on February 02, 1718 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 20, 1798 in Wunderthausen. She married Georg Gabriel Knoche on July 07, 1738 in Wunderthausen. He was born on December 28, 1713 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 02, 1770 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Gabriel Knoche: Tenant in Bormanns Haus, Wunderthausen.

- v. Johann Georg Strackbein was born on June 18, 1721 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Johannes Strackbein was born on January 20, 1725 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 13, 1778 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Catharina Riedesel on April 23, 1752 in Wunderthausen. She was born on February 03, 1734 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 15, 1765 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Margarete Riedesel on December 29, 1766 in Wunderthausen. She was born on May 15, 1744 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 13, 1807 in Wunderthausen.
- 38. **Johann Georg Riedesel**, son of Wilhelm Riedesel and Anna Margarethe Spies, 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.
- 39. **Anna Elisabeth Knoche**, daughter of Johannes Knoche and Anna Elisabeth Strackbein, 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.

Notes for Anna Elisabeth Knoche: Born in Wetzels Haus, Wunderthausen.

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

- Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel was born on March 14, 1732 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- 19. ii. Anna Catharina Riedesel was born on February 03, 1734 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 15, 1765 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Strackbein on April 23, 1752 in Wunderthausen. He was born on January 20, 1725 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 13, 1778 in Wunderthausen.
 - iii. Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel was born on June 11, 1735 in Wunderthausen. She married Debus Benfer on December 26, 1759 in Wunderthausen. He was born on April 15, 1731 in Diedenshausen. He died in May 1801 in Winterbach.

Notes for Debus Benfer: Born in Hirte Haus, Diedenshausen.

- iv. Johann Conrad Riedesel was born on January 13, 1738 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 19, 1770 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Maria Schütz on July 13, 1762 in Wunderthausen. She was born in Schwarzenau. She died before March 19, 1770.
- v. Johann Georg Riedesel was born on January 18, 1740 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 22, 1755 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Johannes Riedesel was born on July 27, 1742 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 17, 1742 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Anna Margarete Riedesel was born on May 15, 1744 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 13, 1807 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Strackbein on December 29, 1766 in Wunderthausen. He was born on January 20, 1725 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 13, 1778 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Strackbein:

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

- viii. Catharina Elisabeth Riedesel was born on April 02, 1746 in Wunderthausen.
- ix. Anna Elisabeth Riedesel was born on February 01, 1750 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 26, 1752 in Wunderthausen.
- x. Elisabeth Amalia Riedesel was born on November 18, 1751 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 10, 1821 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Homrighausen on February 10, 1774 in Wunderthausen. He was born on April 07, 1744 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 30, 1824 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Homrighausen: Tenant in Neues Brüchehaus/Langes.

- xi. Anna Christina Riedesel was born on February 21, 1756 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 30, 1800 in Wunderthausen. She married Georg Hermann Homrighausen on April 05, 1779 in Wunderthausen. He was born on August 28, 1748 in Wunderthausen.
- 40. **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.
- 41. **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. Anna Margarethe Spies and Wilhelm Riedesel had the following children:

- 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.
 - ii. Liese Gertraudt Riedesel was born on December 30, 1706 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
 - ii. 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.

Notes for Anna Maria Gertraud Trapp:

Apparently known as Anna Maria, though her baptismal name was Anna Gertraud.

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.

Notes for Johann Ludwig Riedesel:

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

Notes for Anna Catharina Ruppert: Born in Wetzels house.

Wunderthausen.

- 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
 - 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.

Notes for Johann Georg Homrighausen: Became the tenant in Beitzels.

- 53. 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.
- 42. **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.
- 43. **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.

Anna Gertraud Trapp and Johann Phillip Weller 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.

Notes for Johann Georg Trapp: Born in Mannes Haus, became tenant in Brückewaymars Haus in Wunderthausen.

- 21. 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.
- 44. **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.
- 45. **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.

Catherine Elisabeth Spies and Johannes Dienst had the following children:

- Johannes Dienst 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. 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.
 - Johann Heinrich Dienst was born on February 13, 1725 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- 46. **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.
- 47. **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.

Anna Maria Magdalena Spies and Johann Valentin Pott 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.
- 29. 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.

- 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.

Notes for Johann Georg Spies:

Born in and tenant in Beckers Haus, Wunderthausen.

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.

Notes for Elisabeth Gertraud Trapp:

Born in Mannes Haus.

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.
- 48. **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.
- 49. **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.

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

- 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.

Notes for Ludwig Heinrich Strackbein: Born in Kurts Haus, Wunderthausen. Became the tenant in Schäfers.

- 50. **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.
- 51. **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.

Maria Magdalena Pott and Johannes Dienst 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.

Notes for Georg Gabriel Homrighausen:

Born in and became the tenant in Hohmanns Haus in Wunderthausen.

30. 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 April 29, 1835 in 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.
- 11. 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.
- 52. **Johann Georg Ludwig Fuchs** was born on December 07, 1726 in Schüllar. He died on November 08, 1791 in Wemlighausen. He married **Anna Margarethe Riedesel** on October 21, 1751 in Wemlighausen.
- 53. **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. Anna Margarethe Riedesel and Johann Georg Ludwig Fuchs had the following children:
 - 26. 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.
- 54. **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.
- 55. **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. Anna Maria Amalia Delcourt and Johannes Homrighausen had the following children:

- 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.
 - 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.

Notes for Maria Elisabeth Haase: Christened Maria Gertraudt.

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.

Notes for Georg Ludwig Wetter:

Born and lived at Petersgrund. His widow remarried, but the right to inherit the tenancy passed to children of the first marriage.

- 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.
- 56. **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 **Catherina Elisabeth Weller** on October 30, 1704 in Diedenshausen.
- 57. **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.

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

 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.

Notes for Francois Delcourt:

Of a French Huguenot refugee family. In the early 1700s, 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. He was NOT born 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.

Notes for Georg Wilhelm Dickel: Born in and tenant in Reinerts Haus, 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.

Notes for Ludwig Franz Beitzel: Tenant in Seilers Haus, Wunderthausen, and a church elder.

- 28. 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.
- 62. **Georg Hermann Homrighausen**, son of Sebastian Homrighausen and Anna Maria Benfer, was born on October 11, 1732 in Diedenshausen. He died on December 06, 1808 in Diedenshausen. He married **Maria Catharina Kuhn** on December 12, 1756.
- 63. **Maria Catharina Kuhn**, daughter of Johann Heinrich Kuhn and Anna Elisabeth Weller, was born on May 06, 1735 in Diedenshausen. She died on November 12, 1821 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Georg Hermann Homrighausen:

Became the tenant in Maies Haus, Diedenshausen, but born in Adriges Haus.

Notes for Maria Catharina Kuhn:

She bore two sets of twins and even more remarkably, all lived to adulthood.

Maria Catharina Kuhn and Georg Hermann Homrighausen had the following children:

- i. Elisabeth Juliana Homrighausen was born on November 21, 1757 in Diedenshausen. She died on November 10, 1762 in Diedenshausen.
- 31. ii. Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen was born on August 27, 1759 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 29, 1835 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Franz Dienst on January 18, 1782 in Wunderthausen. He was born on April 27, 1749 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 19, 1827 in Wunderthausen.
 - iii. Maria Magdalena Homrighausen was born on August 27, 1759 in Diedenshausen. She died on August 26, 1801 in Alertshausen. She married Johannes Womelsdorf. He was born on November 28, 1754 in Alertshausen. He died on

- May 18, 1782 in Alertshausen. She married Johannes Hüster on August 02, 1787. He was born in Elsoff.
- iv. Johann Heinrich Homrighausen was born on July 02, 1762 in Diedenshausen. He died on September 24, 1762 in Diedenshausen.
- v. Anna Catharina Homrighausen was born on September 18, 1763 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 29, 1814 in Diedenshausen. She married Johannes Dienst on January 18, 1789. He was born on May 01, 1759 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 02, 1835 in Diedenshausen.
- vi. Elisabeth Juliana Homrighausen was born on December 15, 1765 in Diedenshausen. She died on December 13, 1800 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Ludwig Riedesel on October 30, 1790 in Wunderthausen. He was born on February 21, 1762 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 25, 1835 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Ludwig Riedesel: Tenant in Wetzels Haus in Wunderthausen.

vii. Johann Wilhelm Homrighausen was born on November 21, 1771 in Diedenshausen. He died on September 24, 1824 in USA. He married Hanna Alspaugh on January 12, 1811 in USA.

Notes for Johann Wilhelm Homrighausen:

Emigrated to Baltimore in 1796 but returned in 1800. In 1803 he left again for the US and stayed. That is where he married and had a family.

Notes for Hanna Alspaugh:

Two more children are recorded in a German reference work with birth dates after the death of Johannes Wilhelm in 1824. Either that date is incorrect or perhaps Hanna remarried. The two other children were Daniel (b. 12/14/1826) and Joseph (b. 4/10/1829).

viii. Elisabeth Margarete Homrighausen was born on November 21, 1771 in Diedenshausen. She died on October 16, 1827 in Girkhausen. She married Johann Philipp Lückel on July 15, 1794. He was born on October 05, 1770 in Girkhausen. He died on March 20, 1834 in Girkhausen.