Mennonites Found in the Lutheran Records of Ilow, Poland

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The Lutheran parish of Ilow overlapped with that of the Mennonite congregation of Deutsch Wymyschle. These church registers include many entries for people with names such as Pankratz, Wedel, Nachtigal and Janz, which were common in the Deutsch Wymyschle congregation. Closer inspection of the entries makes it obvious that most of these people were not Mennonites. They, or their parents, may have previously been Mennonites. Only entries which clearly indicated that the person was Mennonite are included below. The original usually has cause of death – these are not included, since many are unreadable.

These films were exceedingly difficult to work with. Sections and years were not in order. Right-hand pages and left-hand pages were filmed separately!

No Mennonite births were found in these registers. The only marriage found was between a Mennonite and a Lutheran.

Conversions of Mennonites:

1785, Sep 4 (page 49) Heinrich **Klewe** [**Kliewer**?] born in the village of Dragass, near Graudenz. 25 years old [born ca. 1760] of the Mennonite faith switched to our faith and was confirmed.

1809, Nov 5 (page 88) Anna b. 29 Sep 1792 and Eva b. 2 Feb 1794. Daughters of the deceased Mennonite Landwirth Jacob **Janz** and Maria **Nachtigal**. Appear to have been baptized into the Lutheran church. Mennonite "Verman" (Vormund – presumably the guardian of the girls) Cornelius **Wedel** is mentioned. Handwriting is difficult to decipher.

Marriages:

1808, Nov 5 (page 116). Marriage of Jacob **Zilke** and Catharina Pankratz, daughter of Wirth Andreas **Pankratz** of Saade. This was a Lutheran marriage in the Lutheran church (Bethaus) at Saade, with Lutheran witnesses. Note on right-hand page indicates that she was pregnant and was married with her father's permission. No ages are given.

Deaths:

1794 #51 (page 188). Death of Peter **Schmidt** of Sensemin on 6 Sep. at the age of 43 years and 6 months. Buried on 8 Sep.

1794 page 194 #10. Death of Anna **Richert**, born **Janz**, in Saade on 19 Nov. 35 years and 7 months old. Buried in Saade on the 23rd Nov.

1794 or 1798 #11 (page 194). Death of Leinweber David **Technau** in Wioczemin on 29 Nov at the age of 14. Buried on 2 Dec in Wioczemin.

1794 #12 (page 194). Death of Ackerwirth Jacob **Janz** in Wioczemin on 7 Dec. at the age of 33 years and 6 months. Buried in Saade on 10 Dec.

1794 #124 (page 248). Death of Eleonora [Helena] **Janz**, daughter of Martin Janz a Wirth of Czerni, on 20 Aug. at the age of 7 years and 2 months. Buried 22 Aug in Czerni.

1794 #125 (page 248). Death of Benjamin **Janz**, son of Martin Janz a Wirth of Czerni, on 21 Aug. at the age of 5 years and 8 months. Buried 22 Aug in Czerni.

1806 #267 (page 188). Death of Andreas, son of Andreas **Schroeder** of Brosowke on 23 July at the age of 2 years. Buried in Brosoke on 25 July.

1807 #16 (page 192). Death of Marie, daughter of Peter **Wedel** of Saade, age 36 years. Buried on 8 Dec in Saade.

1807 #325 (page 178). Death of Andreas **Wedel**, son of Wedel [first name not given] on 11 Sep. in Wienzemin at the age of 2 years. Buried on the 13th.

1807 #87 (page 200). Death of Peter **Pankratz** of Saade on 14 Mar at the age of 31 years. Buried on the 20th in Saade.

1807 #89 (page 200). Death of Sara, wife of Andreas **Pankratz** of Saade on 24 Apr., at the age of 58 years and 11 months. Buried on the 26th in Saade.

1807 #196 (page 208). Death of the wife [no name given] of Benjamin **Wedel** of Czermno on the 24th of July at the age of 39 years, 4 months and 15 days. Buried on the 27th in Czermno.

1807 #200 (page 208). Death of Anna, daughter of David **Dirks** of Czermno on the 1st of Sep at the age of 1 year, 6 months and 8 days. Buried in Czermno.

1810 #323 (page 170). Death of Andreas, son of Mennonite **Wedel** in Weinzemin on Sep 13 at the age of 2 years.

No Mennonite births were found in these registers.

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