

# Marcushof, West Prussia, Mennonite Brotherhood Meetings: 1792-1819

Source: Marcushof, West Prussia, Mennonite Church records –  
1787 – 1818

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The following is a translation of the register made by the ministry of the Marcushof Frisian Mennonite congregation. This register deals mostly with those joining or leaving the congregation, through excommunication or readmittance, as well as decisions with respect to disciplinary action taken by the congregation.

The general format of the notes is retained, but names of people and places have been standardized. Highlighting of any kind was done by me. My comments are in square brackets. Very few of the people mentioned below are in the GRanDMA database and I have not attempted to find them there.

For further reading, please see my article: "[Church Disciplinary Records as a Family History Source.](#)" *Mennonite Historian* (June 2026): 3, 11.

**Register of those with their names, who received, due to transgressions and a bad way of life, the punishment and isolation from the congregation, also [those who] have been accepted again; [This register] has begun anno 1792 in our Marcushoff congregation.**

Anno 1792, on September 9, Cornelius **Martens** from the Stuhm [Tragheimerweide congregation] was disciplined for carnal mingling and outside marriage.

Anno 1793, on January 13, he has been accepted again.

Anno 1792, on December 30, Paul **Nickel** from Thiergart was disciplined and isolated from the congregation for carnal mingling.

Anno 1797, on September 17, Paul **Nickel** from Thiergarterfeld was accepted again in our Marcushoff congregation.

Anno 1793, on July 7, Hans **Dau** from Preussisch Koenigsdorf was disciplined and isolated from the congregation for an outside marriage.

Anno 1793, on October 22, Hans **Dau** has been accepted again.

Anno 1793, on November 3, Heinrich **Froese**, who served at the honourable Cornelius **Ketler**, was disciplined and isolated from the congregation due to carnal mingling.

Anno 1793, on December 22, Heinrich **Froese** from Thiergart has been accepted again into the congregation.

Anno 1795, on December 6, the honourable Peter **Pauls** with his wife, from Thoerichthof, has been accepted into our Marcushof congregation, [after being excluded] for all too early marital relations.

Anno 1797, on September 17, Paul **Nickel** from Tiergarterfeldt has been accepted again, [after being excluded] for the outside marriage and carnal mingling.

Anno 1798, on January 2, the honourable Johann **Penner** with his wife, from Kerbswald, has been accepted, [after being excluded] for all too early marital relations.

Anno 1798, on August 5, Simon **Bestvater**'s from the Schlammsack surviving daughter has been dismissed for an outside marriage.

Anno 1798, on September 2, Simon **Bestvater**'s surviving daughter who was at the Abrahams was accepted [back].

Anno 1798, on September 9, Johann **Peters**'s from Marcushof surviving daughter Sancke received isolation for carnal mingling.

Anno 1799, on March 3, Sancke **Peters** was accepted again.

Anno 1801, on [no date] Anna **Hein**, Jann Hein's from Rosenort surviving daughter has been dismissed from the congregation for mingling out of wedlock.

Anno 1801, on December 6, Anna **Hein** has been accepted again.

Anno 1802, on September 26, Harm **Pauls**, Harm Pauls' from Kerbswalde surviving son, has received the punishment of isolation from the congregation for carnal mingling out of wedlock.

Anno 1802, on October 10, Franz **Dircksen**, F[r]antz Dircksen's from the Hohenwalde surviving son, has been isolated from the congregation for intercourse out of wedlock.

Anno 1802, on December 19, Frantz **Dircksen** has been accepted again.

Anno 1802, on March 6, Harm **Pauls**, Harm Pauls' from Kerbswalde surviving son, has been accepted again as a member of the congregation.

Anno 1803, on September 20, Cornelius **Nickel**'s from Powunden daughter Neelcke received was isolated from the congregation for carnal mingling.

Anno 1809, on July 16, Nelcke **Nickel** has been accepted again as a member of the congregation.

Anno 1804, on April 8, Peter **Dau**'s from Grunau daughter Catharina has received the isolation from the congregation for carnal mingling.

On May 13 of the current year, Catharina **Dau** has been accepted again.

Anno 1804, on June 24, Joh: **Martens**' from Powunden daughter Sara has has been isolated from the congregation for carnal mingling

Anno 1804, on August 5, Joh: **Martens'** from Powunden daughter Sara has been accepted again into the congregation.

Anno 1806, on March 2, Harm **Pauls**, Klaas Pauls' from Augustwalde son, was isolated from the congregation for carnal mingling.

Anno 1809, on January 15, Harm **Pauls** has been accepted again into the congregation.

Anno 1805, on December 8, Jann **Penner** and the widow **Harms** from Preussisch Rosengart have been isolated from the congregation for mingling out of wedlock.

Anno 1806, on March 16, Jann **Penner** and the widow **Harms** have been accepted again into the congregation and were wedded at the same time.

Anno 1806, on August 24, Peter **Penner** from Kerbswalde with his wife Maria **Siebert** have been isolated from the congregation for divorce and remarrying Peter Penner.

Anno 1809, on September 24, with his wife has been accepted again into the congregation.

Anno 1806, on August 24, David **Grunau's** from Thoerichthof surviving daughter Sara, has been isolated from the congregation for carnal mingling.

Anno 1808, on October 9, Sara **Grunau** has been accepted again into the congregation.

Anno 1806, on August 31, Peter **Jantzen's** from Marcushof daughter Sara has been isolated from the congregation for carnal mingling. And, after some time, moved to the Thiensdorf congregation with an attestation, in order to be absolved from the punishment there and then being wedded.

Anno 1808, on March 27, Peter **Dau's** from Kerbswald, his daughter Catharina has been isolated from the congregation for repeated carnal mingling.

Anno 1808, on July 31, Pet. **Dau's** daughter Catharina has been accepted again.

Anno 1808, on April 3, Peter **Jantzen's** from Marcushof son Jacob, has been isolated from the congregation for carnal mingling.

On May 15, Anno 1808, Jacob **Jantzen** has been accepted into the congregation again.

Anno 1808, on April 10, Gerhardt **Pauls**, Gerhard Pauls' from Guldenfeld surviving son, received was isolated from the congregation for carnal mingling.

On September 4, Gerhard **Pauls** has been accepted again into the congregation.

Anno 1808, on July 17, Franz **Froese**, Melchior Froese's from Grunau surviving son, has been isolated from the congregation for carnal mingling.

on August 14 of this year, Franz **Froese** has been accepted into the congregation again.

Anno 1809, on August 6, Heinrich **Nickel** from Schwansdorf with his wife, Cornelia née **Funk** and divorced **Pauls**, has received the isolation from the congregation for divorcing and marrying.

Anno 1809, on September 10, Heinrick **Nickel** with his wife has been accepted into the congregation again.

Anno 1811, in the month of June, Harm **Pauls**, Klaas Pauls' from Grunauerfeld son, has received the isolation from the congregation for carnal mingling.

On September 15, he has been accepted again.

Anno 1812, on March 1, Jann **Froese** from Marcushoff received the isolation from the congregation for carnal mingling.

Anno 1817, on August 9, Harm **Stobbe's** from Hohenwald daughter Maria has received the isolation from the congregation for carnal mingling.

On August 30, she has been accepted again into the congregation

Anno 1812, on August 30, Paul **Nickel's** from Thiensdorf surviving daughter Susanna has received the isolation from the congregation for carnal mingling

On September 27, she has been accepted into the congregation again.

Anno 1814, on September 25, David **Bestvater**, Jacob Bestvater's from Reichhorst surviving son, has received the isolation from the congregation for an outside wedding.

On October 23 of the same year, he has been accepted again into the congregation. after his wife's death.

Anno 1814, on Sept. 25, David **Holtzrichter's** from Marcushof surviving daughter Maria received the isolation from the congregation for intercourse out of wedlock.

On August 20, Anno 1815, she has been accepted again

Anno 1815, on January 8, Konert **Scheffler** from Wengelnwalde received the isolation from the congregation and accepted for various transgressions.

Anno 1815, on May 7, Barbara née **Grunau**, as the surviving daughter of David Grunau from Thorichthoff, who has had an outside wedding several years ago, and whose husband is already dead, has received the church punishment of isolation upon her request.

On June 25, Barbara Grunau has been accepted into the congregation again

Anno 1815, on October 1, Johann **Penner**, son of Johann Penner from Kerbswalde's mitteltrift, received the isolation from the congregation for carnal mingling.

Anno 1816, was on October 20, Joh. Penner has been accepted into the congregation again

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Anno 1815, on December 3, Cornelius **Ketler**, Cornelius Ketler's surviving son from Thiergarterfeld, received the isolation from the congregation for intercourse out of wedlock

Anno 1817, on June 29, Cornelius **Ketler** has been accepted into the congregation again.

Anno 1817, on July 13, Johann **Harms**, Franz Harms' from Thiergart surviving son, has received the isolation from the congregation fro carnal mingling.

Anno 1819, on April 18, Johann **Harms** has been accepted into the congregation again.

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