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the boy's institute and the Nursery, and they were glad about everything what they had seen and heard.

January 29th 1760. Our teams went to the Blue Mountains and the wagons brought pint-logs for the new house.

February 13th 1760. In the afternoon came Br. Horsefield with 2 gentlemen, who came from New York to visit him, over Christian Spring and Gnadenthal to Nazareth to look at the Hall and at our farm.

February 20th 1760. Sister Merck died to-day.

March 7th 1760. Br. Lawatsch visited us and he held a house-council, in which he asked the brethren, to be careful, when they go to the forest, so that they may not do anything, what is disorderly, as cutting pear-trees, especially outside of our borderline.

March 27th 1760. This winter we have been thrashing wheat, rye, barley, oats, buckwheat, welsh-corn, linseed.

April 9th 1760. The congregation was notified, that Br. Abraham Reinke had died, and will be burried to-morrow.

April 25th 1760. The brethren were to-day very busy with digging the cellar for the new house, and in the afternoon at 3 o'clock they finished this work.

May 1st 1760. Before noon came Bro. and Sr. Richter from Bethlehem and brought their little Christian to the Nursery; with them came also the new widow Christina Fritsch, and the widow Attwood from Philadelphia. The latter one is visiting the widows and Christina Fritsche will be introduced to the widow's choir. Then came also Bro. and Sr. Boehler and with them came Bro. Roboc from New York and Mr. Steward from New London for a visit. *** Those two visitors were also present in the boys' institute, when Br. Petrus spoke to the boys, which the two visitors heard with much pleasure. They looked around in Nazareth, in the Hall, and visited in (May 2nd) Friedensthal and stayed over night in the Rose, and to-day/they rode with Bro. and Sr. Boehler to Gnadenthal, which they also visited and ate there also dinner.
May 3d 1760. After the breakfast several brethren went from here, from Gnadenthal and Christian Spring to help Br. Culvert to put up his barn.

May 8th 1760. When we were going to dinner, Sister Horsemfield brought some visitors from Philadelphia, who came with her from Bethlehem. They were Mrs. Pemberton, her daughter, 2 sons and another young gentleman. All were Quakers. We entertained them as well as we could. After the dinner Br. Graff lead them to the Nursery, where the children sang for them in German and English. They sang so nice, that the old Pemberton's eyes were filled with tears. Then they went to the Hall, where they saw the children all gathered together. The look and the song of the children surprised the visitors. They drove then over Gnadenthal and Christian Spring to Bethlehem.

May 19th 1760. In Christian Spring the single brethren admitted their dormitory to the boys, and they moved in the meanwhile to the middle floor until their dormitory in the annex will be finished.

May 20th 1760. The Bro. and Sr. Joh. George Klausen moved into the house behind Nazareth, on the place, where some time ago was intended to build Gracetown. **** Our good Sister Bohler got sick yesterday and has to stay inside the house. *** Gottlieb Anders in Christian Spring, a youth, has died. He was burried the next day.

May 23d 1760. We had the special joy to meet Bro. and Sr. Spangenberg, who were brought here by Br. Petrus from Bethlehem.

May 30th 1760. Yesterday the masons were finishing the building of the cellar with stones. To-day they began to put the frame on it.

June 6th 1760. To-day we had plenty of rain, which hindered us with the building, on which the brethren were very industrious during this week with raising the framework.

June 13th 1760. Bro. Joseph held the morning-hour after which he with his party went to the Blue Mountains, to visit the Indians, who live with the Brethren Senseman and Shebosh in the little village Wechquetang, and where...
he wants to give Holy Communion to the people there. June 19th In the evening at 6 o'clock Bro. and Sr. Spangenberg with the Bro. and Sr. Schmick returned from Wechquetang very happy about the Indians there.

June 18th 1760. A man from New England visited us, who loves the brethren and has been touched by the word of Jesus' death. "*** The single brother went Kunz from the Hall to Christian Spring and from there came Jens Witterberg as house-servant here.

June 22nd 1760. In the evening after sunset a waggon went to Bethlehem and from there to Philadelphia in order to bring goods here. With the same waggon went also Br. Lembke to Bethlehem, in order to serve there during the synod in the congregation.

July 8th 1760. We thanked the Lord for the many blessings which we received through the bees, from which of the 5 old bee-hives came today the 15th young swarm, which, except four, have begun all nicely.

July 9th 1760. during the singing-hour returned Br. Albrecht Gloz from Menissing, where he had been sent from Bethlehem in order to notify some people there, that a group of Indians from the Susquehanna had come to Bethlehem and had brought along some girls who had been taken prisoners. One has supposed that those girls have been taken prisoners in that country and have been carried away. There are also 2 men, who have come this way with our brother from up there, and who are lodging in the Rose.

July 13th 1760. Bro. Lembke's 57th anniversary will be celebrated with music and song.

August 22nd 1760. Bro. Gottlieb Haberecht moved to-day from Bethlehem to Christian Spring to continue the weaving there. "*** The Ciderpress on which the brethren have been working was used to-day for the first time.

September 9th 1760. In the afternoon at 5 o'clock the lifeless body of Sr. Steup was taken to the Hall and there it was put into her chamber of rest during which Br. Lembke read the liturgy.
September 10th 1760. At noon the married choir ate together in Nazareth in their Hall, in order to make up what was remaining behind. Br. Graff told various nice things, what had happened during the past Choir-year and showed how much different it is now from the time preceding.

Since the establishment of the brethren in America 665 children have been born, of which have died or gone home 233, and 92 have been transplanted to other choirs. There are at present still 340 children here. In the beginning of the year the Married Choir had 171 couples, of which have died 8 brethren and 7 sisters and there are remaining still 156 couples or 312 persons. At the close of the celebration we sang a hearty GRATIAS and recommended our children to the Saviour for new grace and blessings.

September 29th 1760. To-day the brethren finished with the cultivation 127 to 130 acres for the winter seed.

October 8th 1760. Br. Friedrich Otto was with us before he travelled to Lititz. He visited also the upper places.

October 10th 1760. Br. Schem came to-day with a friend, Mr. Wood from Jersey, and he lead him around in the upper places.

October 12th 1760. We announced to the congregation Bro. and Sr. Kasken's going to Suriname and the widow Ronner's going to New York for the help of Sister Yarell.

October 14th 1760. On account of the heavy rain we could not work outside. The Noon-liturgy was held in the 2 houses separately. Bro. and Sr. Kasken and Sister Ronner were blessed for their journey and their respective plan. The laborers made a farewell-dinner for the bro. and Sr. Kasken, after which they soon left for Bethlehem. And on the 15th Br. Graff went with Sister Ronner to Bethlehem.

October 18th 1760. Bro. and Sr. Grube went on the Gnadenthal waggon to their present post in Wechquetang.

November 3d 1760. Monday. Because the sisters were busy with the laundry of the house, the liturgy could be held only in the evening.
November 13th 1760. The first snow was falling and covered the entire ground. Br. and Sr. Schulz moved from Gnadenenthal to Nazareth, where he will be the first person in the horse-stable.

November 14th 1760. In Gnadenenthal arrived from Bethlehem the Negro-Brother Joseph with his wife Hanna and the widow Catharina, a negress, who has been for a long time with the late Smouti in her house in Lancaster, and when she died, Catharina came to Bethlehem.

November 17th 1760. With our waggon from Bethlehem came the dear Choir-disciples Br. and Sr. Michler and moved to the weaving. They and Br. and Sr. Schulz, the laborers of Nazareth, had a supper with Br. Petrus.

November 18th 1760. early in the morning Sister Catharina Hyber was waked with music on her 58th anniversary. With Br. Horsefield came a single man from Long Island by name of Wm. Cornwell, who looked around in Nazareth and greeted his nephew in our Nursery, Tommy Popplewell.

November 24th 1760. On his birthday, Br. Brandmueller in Freudensthal gave his house-brethren and sisters a treat; instead of the supper he gave them a little lovefeast.

November 29th 1760. In Christian Spring arranged Br. Eckesparre the parties among the boys.

December 4th 1760. Br. and Sr. Spangenberg, after they had visited the brethren and sisters in Gnadenhal in their rooms, they went to the Rose, where Br. Culvert, had invited them, some brethren and sisters from the places and his neighbors Demuth and Clausen to a harvest lovefeast, in which he thanked the Lord for all, what he had given in the plantation.

December 24th 1760. The Christmas-Eve celebration was done as in the previous years. At midnight everybody filled with christmas-joy went home and went to rest. It was a wonderful bright night.

December 27th 1760. In the afternoon Br. and Sr. Heinrich Mueller with their child moved after a nice farewell from us to Gnadenenthal, in order to serve there the economy. Br. Cremser had a dangerous fall from the
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barn, when the ladder from under him slipt. But no great harm was done to
him.

December 31st 1760. In the services the order was the same as in the years
before. In the 9 o'clock service the hearts of all the brethren and sis-
ters were filled with thanks and praise for the numerous grace and bene-
fits, which the good father has bestowed upon us all.

Taken from the Memorabilia of the Congregation

Nazareth of the year 1760.

The congregation of Nazareth consists of big and small altogether: 406
souls. Married couples 58 or ...................116 persons,
Widowers ........................................8 "
Widows ............................................30 "
Single brethren, youths, boys .................90 "
Children ...........................................1162 "

A total of: 406.

End of the Diary of Nazareth of the year 1760.

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Diary of NAZARETH of the year 1761.

January 3d, 1761. On account of the heavy snowfall Br. Petrus went alone
to Christian Spring and from there to Gnadenthal, and in both places he
celebrated with the brethren and sisters, who on account of sickness were
confined to their rooms, the mother-festival. They received also the cup
of covenant.

January 7th, 1761. From all the places the brethren had gone behind the
Blue Mountains and on account of the nice snow-path they got logs and
took them to the saw-mill.

January 12th, 1761. In Friedensthal Bro. Martin Schenk continued to plas-
ter the room of the brethren and sisters and will still work for some
time.

February 1st, 1761. Bro. Joseph presented Mariana Hoeth, who shall be re-
ceived into the congregation. In the Indian-uprising she had the fate to
fall into the hands of the wilds, but who was wonderfully saved, and then
came to the congregation and asked to be received into the congregation. With many good wishes and blessings she was received.

February 2nd 1761. The old Mother Leimbach celebrated to-day her 82nd anniversary.

February 9th 1761. In Gnadenthal the brethren trimmed the wood for a new stable.

February 11th 1761. Yesterday and this night 2 families lodged in the Friedensthal Mill. The strangers are going behind the Blue Mountains.

March 3rd 1761. In the afternoon had the boy's institute a nice and delightful lovefeast to which they had brought a nice share of their work, which they had spun, as stockings and cotton, which the little ones had picked.

March 7th 1761. Bro. Shebosch came from Wechquetang and brought to us the news that Sister Grube is very sick. He was then sent there with the necessary medicines.

April 2nd 1761. Because yesterday a boy was going to bed with the smallpox, the writers in Christian Spring moved from their room and took a place in the brethren's dining-hall, so that the writer's room could be transformed into an infirmary.

April 11th 1761. Br. Jacob Volk came from Bethlehem and has received permission, not far away from the Rose to live with George Clausen. He saw this afternoon the place, where he wants to build his house.

April 20th 1761. Br. Okely brought some gentlemen from Brunswick and New York, who were looking at our place and especially they saw the Hall. In the afternoon they partook at the lovefeast, which the boys in the pedagogium had. The gentlemen went back to Bethlehem, after they had expressed their satisfaction about what they had seen.

April 25th 1761. On account of the heavy rain, the brethren could not do any out-door work. In general the whole week has been more or less wet, and ploughing and sowing seed has been hindered by it.
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**May 8th 1761.** Br. Petrus came from Bethlehem over Christian Spring and Gnadenenthal, to visit the 13 children in the Hall, who are sick with the small-pox.

**May 9th 1761.** At noon had the Nazareth thrasher brethren, who had finished their work on the 27th of last month in the barn and had thrashed out 4531 and ½ bushel of all kinds of grain, a lovefeast.

**May 12th 1761.** Br. Culvert travelled accompanied by Br. Payne to Sopus in order to let sign by Mr. Broadhead the deed of his land in Danbury, because his first deed had been burned by the destruction of his dwelling-place by the wild Indians behind the Blue Mountains.

**May 20th 1761.** In the afternoon Br. Brandmueller preached on the request of van von Etten, the neighbor near Friedensthal, at the funeral of his 11 years old son about Luke 11, 28, with a warm heart to a great attendance. Br. Hartman and Herman Loesch went also along to the grave. ***

In Friedensthal they had yesterday and to-day sheepshearing ad they obtained about 475 pounds of wool.

**June 5th 1761.** In Friedensthal they put the first blocks for the new annex of the dwelling-house.

**June 9th 1761.** In Christian Spring Br. Christensen let in the water in the box of the Saw-mill in order to try the next day to saw lumber, and the work is done with a success.

**June 13th 1761.** Today the new family-house, in which 6 rooms had been finished, were entered by 6 couples, namely by Br. and Sr. Boehmer, Mordick's, Weinertts, Rubel's, Haffner's and Schaefer's.

**June 17th 1761.** In the evening came from Bethlehem Br. and Sr. Spangenberg, who are on their way to Wechquetang. The next morning they went on their way.

**June 22nd 1761.** The brethren were busy with making hay by the fine weather. They brought in from the meadow near the Hall again 6 cart-loads.

**July 7th 1761.** Br. Christensen came to Friedensthal with 2 of his assistants in order to put a new mill-wheel in.
July 12th 1761. In the night arrived 8 Indians from Nain and 10 single brethren from Bethlehem, in order to help this week at the harvest; Br. Lawatsch came also from Bethlehem.

July 27th 1761. From Bethlehem came towards noon a gentleman with his wife from Philadelphia for a visit, and especially to see Sr. Brownfield, whose cousin she is. They ate with her dinner and then they had a look at the Hall, and after Vesper they went to the Rose, where they lodged over night and to-morrow they are going over Easton to Bethlehem.

August 2nd 1761. Bro. and Sr. Graff went during the Vesper time to Bethlehem, in order to accompany to-morrow Bro. and Sr. Merk to Lititz.

August 9th 1761. Bro. Boemper came this morning from Bethlehem and went with the widow Maria accompanied by Br. Nicol. Schaefer to Easton and to see there, whether he sister, who has in the Indian uprising been carried away like she was, is among the Indians, who have come there.

August 8th 1761. Br. Joseph went this morning together with Br. Johannes Bonn to Easton, in order to pay his respect to the Governor; in the evening they returned again from there.

August 10th 1761. Two gentlemen came from Easton and paid our farm and the Hall a visit. They were very friendly. **** In Gnadenthal finished the brethren Schenk and Gold the building with stones of the new stable.

August 19th 1761. In Friedensthal all brethren were busy with the upper garret and roof of the new annex and finished it to the top.

August 20th 1761. This morning Br. David Zeisberger left with Joh. Bonn Christian Spring and they are going for a visit in Wechquetang. *** In the back evening came the bro. and Sr. Boehler from their visit, which they had made in the Rose and at George Clausen, where also Br. Golikovsky, who had come to-day with Br. Jac. Volk from Bethlehem, had surveyed the (Br. Volk's) building-ground and his/land, because also he desires to live there.
August 21st 1761. Yesterday and to-day our mason brethren were very busy to white-wash our large Gemein-Saal and after that the Sisters were scou-ring and then they hanged up the new curtains to the windows.

August 28th 1761. We had many visitors of Gentlemen and ladies from Philadelpia, who looked at the farm and visited the Hall. After that they went to the Rose in order to eat there. *** Bro. Golkovsky was here this week and surveyed the lots for those, who want to settle in the new village behind Nazareth. Among them are Jac. Volk, Gottlieb Demuth, who have felled the wood for their houses in these days.

September 2nd 1761. In Friedensthal a little house was built for Bro. Huebsch, our shepherd, near the sheep-fold.

September 9th 1761. Our Sister Spanenberg got so sick yesterday, that she had to lie down. But she got soon better.

September 14th 1761. Br. Lembke was in Gnadenthal, where the brethren began to put up the new stable.

October 9th 1761. Br. Huebsch's little house near the sheep-fold was finished to-day.

December 24th 1761. The Christmas-Eve celebration was celebrated as in the years before. *** Also the Christmas-Day was likewise celebrated as in the years previous.

December 31st 1761. From Bethlehem Br. Culver brought Joseph, the negro and his wife, who was civilly married by the Justice there, and their child to the Rose.

Memorabilia of the congregation of Nazareth of the year 1761.

Our dear father in Heaven has given us again a year of peace and rest, although it seemed as if the wild Indians would rise again. The Lord had blessed the work of our hands. We have received a rich harvest, and we have enough reason to be thankful for every blessing, which we have received. ***** By the building in Friedensthal and by the stable in Gnadenthal the Lord has given us success, for which we are grateful.
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A piece of land behind Nazareth has been shared out in lots this year. The beginning of a settlement has been made. Gottlieb Demuth has alongside of George Clausen built a house, and lately they have moved in with the family. Jacob Volk and his family have come from Lynn, and in the spring they will build there too. At present they live in Gottlieb Demuth's old house. The families there and others from neighboring places have gathered together, and have had a Christmas-eve vigil and a festal sermon.

The entire Married choir of Nazareth consists at present of 60 couples.

- In Nazareth: 32 couples
- In the Hall: 1
- In Gnadenenthal: 13
- In Christian Spring: 3
- In Friedensthal: 7

Behind Nazareth and in the Rose, a total of 60 couples.

In Christian Spring are living beside 3 married couples, 1 child and 2 widowers, the following:
- Single brethren: 44
- Youths: 11
- Boys: 26

Total of 90

The Widows choir of Nazareth consists of 30 persons.

The Boy's institute of the congregation in Nazareth:
- Children: 98
- Brethren for the children: 14
- For the kitchen and household: 3
- Shoemaker: 1
- Children's helper: 2
- Assistant for children: 1

21 Brethren and sisters for children

Total of children and assistants: 119.

There is a total of all persons living in Nazareth and on the other places: 392 of 14 less than the year before.

End of the Diary of NAZARETH of the year 1761.

Diary of Nazareth of the year 1762.

January 13th 1762. In the forenoon came the friend Clewell with a waggon and fetched Bro. and Sr. Lembke and Georg Hartman from Gnadenenthal to his plantation, where Br. Lembke baptized a son of Clewell. **** Br. David Zeisberger moved to-day again to Christian Spring.
January 14th 1762. From Christian Spring 3 youths are going to Bethlehem, to Br. Orter to learn locksmith’s work there.

January 16th 1762. In the evening Sr. Boehler got so sick, that early in the morning Br. Huber was sent as express messenger to Bethlehem, to fetch Br. Matthes Otto, who also came at noon and opened a vein, which helped her to get better.

January 18th 1762. In the morning at 7 o’clock Bro. and Sr. Spanenberg came, in order to visit the very sick Sr. Boehler; but in the afternoon they returned again to Bethlehem. On the 20th of January she was much better.

February 15th 1762. Bro. and Sr. Graff went in the forenoon to the Rose and from there to visit the families, which are living around there.

February 17th 1762. The brethren Heinr. Brunner and Nathan. Miksch moved to-day to Christian Spring from the Hall, where they have served for 2 years the children; in their places were appointed yesterday the brethren Christian Demuth and John Edmonds.

February 19th 1762. Br. Muecke enters the economy in Gnadenenthal and Br. Lehnert goes to Friedensthal to the sheep-fold there.

February 20th 1762. Br. Lorenz Page, who had received a call to Lititz as a single brethren’s helper, and to-day he went to Christian Spring, where he had been Choir-servant, and then he went with Br. David Zeisberger, senior, to Bethlehem.

February 27th 1762. Bro. and Sr. Peters went to Gnadenenthal, where he and his wife visited the rooms where the brethren and sisters were. In Christian Spring he did the same. **** Br. Bacher, who has served for some years the boys in the institute with faith and diligence has been appointed as choir-servant in Christian Spring.

March 2nd 1762. We had with our bro. and Sr. Graff a farewell-meeting, after which they went early with our waggon to Gnadenenthal, where the brethren and sisters there with those of Christian Spring gave them a love-
feast and showed their love to them. Br. Lembke's hymn was then read. At 8 o'clock drove bro. and Sr. Graff, after they had loved each other to Bethlehem. *** In the twilight came Br. Grube from Bethlehem on his way to Wechquetang.

March 3rd 1762. In these days it was so cold, as it has not been throughout the entire winter. Many of our brethren and sisters got sick. Bro. and Sr. Peters visited then also very diligently in the rooms.

March 11th Bro. and Sr. Peters went to Gnadenthal and Friedensthal and from there to the Rose and to George Clausen, in order to continue the business, what they had begun yesterday, **** By the cold weather we got still more sick people in all our houses.

March 15th 1762. Bro. and Sr. Wolfgang Michler went with their daughter from here to Cley.

March 19th 1762. Bro. and Sr. Lembke visited in the Rose and at the families, who are living there about, and where the people are sick, especially Br. George Clausen, whom was a little better, and the children are still sick. *** In the twilight had the sisters their labor-lovefeast, and we were thankful for their restitution. They have by all their sickness spun pretty much.

March 21st 1762. Br. Sydrich held the sermon at George Clausen.

March 22nd 1762. At noon Brother Peters went to the Rose, where he also visited the other families who are living about there.

March 25th 1762. Br. and Sr. Lembke and Bro. and Sr. Peters went to the Rose, where Bro. Lembke baptized the negress Mary her child, which was very sick.

March 30th 1762. In the forenoon went Bro. and Sr. Muenster accompanied by Bro. and Sr. Peters to Friedensthal and visited the brethren and sisters in their rooms, and it gave them pleasure on both sides.

April 1st 1762. In the afternoon came Bro. and Sr. Muenster from Christian Spring, where they had gone in the forenoon from Gnadenthal, and after
they had visited all, they went there again.

April 3d 1762. From Bethlehem we received the sad news, that Br. Gottlieb in Lititz has gone home, or died.

April 4th 1762. Br. Jacob Till took care of the sermon by George Clausen and Bro. and Sr. Lembke went in the afternoon to the Rose to visit there.

April 9th 1762. The Good Friday services were held as in former years.

April 11th 1762. The Easter services were all held as in former years. ***

We had pleasant spring weather, therefore we went to the old Hutberg, in order to visit the graves there. Also to the New Hutberg near the Hall we visited and had service there.

April 13th 1762. Bro. Soelle came from Bethlehem with a brother from Rhode Island, by name Green, who visited all our places and he went back to Rhode.

April 16th 1762. In the forenoon went the Bro. and Sr. Lembke to the place behind Nazareth in order to visit the families there, and then they went to the Rose to see the people there.

April 17th 1762. In the afternoon Sr. Witkin made a farewell visit in her widow’s choir, because she is destined for the Wachau.

April 22nd 1762. In the forenoon the workers of Nazareth had in the Hall a conference.

April 27th 1762. At 8 o’clock in the morning we took the corpse of Sr. Emerson to the Hall, after which we buried her.

April 28th 1762. Bro. Marshall, who had come from Bethlehem, went after dinner with Bro. and Sr. Spangenberg to the new village behind Nazareth, in order to look over the new Gemeinhouse (Community House) and also to visit the few families, who are living there. Br. Andreas Volk from Lynn, who intends to live there, was also there, to look at a lot. Bro. and Sr. Spangenberg went then from there to the Rose, from where they went to the Hall and back to Bethlehem.

May 8th 1762. Because George Clewell had notified us, that the Lord had taken his little son, who had been baptized in January 13th, he also had
asked that a brother would hold the funeral for him. In the forenoon

Br. Brandmueller went to the father's house behind the Plain, held there

a short sermon and then buried the little son on the old Hutberg.

May 6th 1762. Br. Nathanael visited this forenoon in Gnadenthal and went

to the village behind Nazareth over the Rose to Friedensthal.

May 11th 1762. Br. Zeisberger, senior, went this morning early accom­
panied by Br. Bizmann on the kind request of the Government to Wajomik to

the Tadenskund (?).

May 12th 1762. In the afternoon went the waggon from Gnadenthal to Beth­
lehjem, in order to take 3 single sisters and their belongings from there

to Lititz.

May 14th 1762. In the afternoon arrived in Christian Spring coming from

Bethlehem the brethren Marshall and Dettmer. They looked at the plantation

and saw everything and towards evening they came to Nazareth, where Br.

Marshall stayed over night; but Br. Dettmer lodged in the Hall.

May 16th 1762. Br. David Zeisberger together with Bizmann returned from

their journey to Wajomik.

May 18th 1762. In the morning Br. Denck took the 2 boys, Gottlieb Mack

and Abraham van Eleck from Christian Spring to Bethlehem. The first one

shall learn pottery and the other one shall help in the store.

May 21st 1762. To Christian Spring moved Heinrich Gallentin, a young tai­
lor, to live there.

May 26th 1762. In the forenoon came Bro. and Sr. Schropp and Philip

from Bethlehem. The first ones went to Friedensthal and there Br. Hart­
mann Verdries delivered the mill to Br. Herman Loesch. The latter one vi­
sited once more his old sickly mother Hantsch before she is leaving for

Lynn.

May 30th 1762. Pentecost. Br. Brandmueller held at 1 o'clock behind Na­
zareth the festival sermon to a great attendance.
May 31st 1762. To the great joy of the congregation it was announced, that Bro. and Sr. Sam. Isle have arrived safely in Antigua on the 16th of April.

June 2nd 1762. From Christian Spring three boys, Senseman, David Heckewelder and Joh. Weiss are going to Bethlehem to the Choir-house there, where they will learn some trade. Joseph Demuth will go to the weaving in Christian Spring.

June 7th 1762. with the waggon came from Bethlehem Bro. and Sr. Schülick, Wahnter. The first mentioned came to see their son in the Hall and the latter one came to see the brethren and sisters in all places before they leave on their journey to Europe with Bro. and Sr. Spangenberg.

June 10th 1762. The news came from Bethlehem, that Sister Anton Schmidt there has gone home, or died.

June 12th 1762. Several brethren and sisters went to the new village behind Nazareth, which has received the name SCHOENENCK. The party looked at the new meeting house and visited also the families there. In these days bro. and Sr. Spangenberg bade farewell to all the brethren and sisters on Nazareth before they left for Europe.


June 16th 1762. Bro. and Sr. Cremer moved to Nazareth as Vorsteher (manager).

June 18th 1762. Bro. and Sr. Rubel moved from Nazareth to Friedansthal.

June 21st 1762. Bro. and Sr. Boerstler moved from Nazareth to the Rose in order to help bro. and Sr. Culter there.

June 22nd 1762. Bro. Roemelt went in the afternoon with a part of his things to Bethlehem in order to take over the nail-smithy there.

June 23rd 1762. From Bethlehem moved into the Hall 3 single brethren, Christ. Schwartz, Ziegler and Niels Lund. The first one shall take over the direc-
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...tion of the writer's room, and the other two shall serve the children.

June 30th 1762. In the forenoon the Bro. and Sr. Peter went over Schoeneck and the Rose to Friedensthal in order to speak the married couples for Holy Communion.

July 2nd 1762. In the afternoon gathered together the pregnant sisters for their festival. They were 7 in all, 5 of Nazareth, 1 of Gnadenthal, and 1 of Friedensthal. They had a blessed lovefeast and Br. Lembke made for them a nice hymn.

July 5th 1762. In the forenoon came from Bethlehem the gentlemen Stedman from Philadelphia with their families, and they visited the Nursery of the children and saw our country, went then afterwards to the Hall, visited also some children in the rooms and they were very satisfied about everything they saw. Dinner they ate in the Rose and then they went to Easton. *** Bro. and Sr. Peter visited in the village and they found everybody very busy with the harvest.

July 10th 1762. In the forenoon Br. Peter together with Bro. Marshall went to Friedensthal for a visit and returned over the Rose. Then they had a conference with the brethren Lembke, Bader, Dencke and Eckesparre concerning of opening a latin school in the Hall.

July 18th 1762. It was recommended that Br. Kloze should be married to the widow Kramer in Lancaster and Br. Payne with the single sister Phoebe Way.

July 19th 1762. The youth Peter Rice went away from Gnadenthal to Bethlehem to learn by Br. Tanneberger the profession of an organ-builder.

July 25th 1762. This morning went the single sister Phoebe Way, who had been helping sewing here, to Bethlehem, accompanied by Sister Juliana Wakler.

July 26th 1762. In the forenoon came from Bethlehem sister Anna Rosel with Sister Juliana Wakler and brought Elizabeth Richter as a help for the children's laundry. *** Bro. and Sr. Spohn moved from Gnadenthal to Christian
Spring and changed with Bro. and Sr. Stoze.

July 27th 1762. Br. David Kunz, who had been till now in the Hall as distributor, moved to Friedensthal to the mill, to help Br. Herman Loesch there.

August 2nd 1762. From Bethlehem came Br. Rippel to Nazareth-Hall, for the in service with the boy's institute.

August 12th 1762. In the evening came with Br. Clausen's waggon Bro. and Sr. Neubert for the service of the little group in Schoeneck. They began August 15th, Sunday, their work in Schoeneck. First they had a sermon, then a children's hour in the forenoon; in the evening Bro. Neubert held for the little group a singing-hour and evening-prayer. Daily he will continue with this.

August 21st 1762. In the morning Bro. Nathanael went with the brethren Schropp and Schmick to Schoeneck, there to visit and to look around.

August 24th 1762. The news came, that Matthias Hoffman had died last night in Bethlehem on a stroke.

September 3d 1762. Br. Neubert during his being there in Schoeneck for 3 weeks, he finished his room in the schoolhouse, and he and his wife could move in.

September 8th 1762. The oldest married couple in Bethlehem and in Nazareth are Bro. and Sister Liebsch, who are now married 40 years. *** Br. David Zeisberger, senior, came to-day back from Lancaster, where he has been attending for 7 weeks the Treaty with the Indians. He went to Christian Spring.

September 14th 1762. Bro. and Sr. David Nitschman came from Bethlehem for a visit and in the afternoon Br. Marshall and Bro. Schropp went to the village Schoeneck.

October 1st 1762. Bro. and Sr. Lembke visited in Schoeneck and in the Rose. In the first place they were very busy getting ready the meeting-house and with putting in the windows.
October 3d 1762. Br. Matthew and his wife as well as Br. Marshall and the laborers of Nazareth went to Schoeneck to partake/the consecration of the Gemein-Saal's (Community-Hall) there.

October 4th 1762. To-day came two strange laborers, of which one is a professional well-digger, and both were starting below near the rock to work, to blast, in order to get to the spring of the intended well near the NURSERY.

October 18th 1762. In the forenoon came the brethren Marshall and Muenster to our Thanksgiving festival in Nazareth. The brethren and sisters gathered together in the liturgy-hall and thanked God for his gifts, which we have received in abundance in the past. And specially Br. Lembke expressed his heart's desire in a special hymn of thanks, which he read and the added wishes of blessing were then sung by our dear heart Johannes.

October 19th 1762. To-day they began to build with stones in the digged well near the Nursery.

October 20th 1762. By the thunderstorm to-day it rained so much, that the saw-mill in Christian Spring from the rising water could start to move and some logs could be cut.

October 30th 1762. Towards noon Bro. and Sr. Boehler came to us and in the afternoon they went together with Bro. and Sr. Lembke to Schoeneck, where the little group had their first Holy Communion after the lovefeast. Bro. Petro held the Communion.

November 9th 1762. Br. Denk and David Zeisberger, senior, went to Wechquetang for a visit there.

November 10th 1762. In the afternoon in the presence of the laborers of Nazareth Br. Joh. Michler was engaged to the Sr. Ohneberg.

November 11th 1762. To-day Br. Gold finished the building with stones in the well near the Nursery.

November 20th 1762. In Nazareth the congregation celebrated Holy Communion when Br. Lembke blessed the bread and the wine and administered with his wife to the sisters and the Brethren Dencke and Ookesparre to the brethren.
November 22nd 1762. The following three couples were married by Br. Peter: The widower Joh. Michler with the widow Sr. Ohneberg; these two were married by Br. Muenster. ** The single brother David Kunz with the single sister Mar. Eliz. Minierin were married by Br. Lembke. ** The Widower Peter Sehnert and the single sister Christ. Bornin by Br. Bader. At the close of the act the blessing was pronounced.

November 27th 1762. The boy Joseph Bruce went to-day from Christian Spring to Bethlehem in order to learn there the trade of a lock-smith.

November 28th 1762. 1st Sunday in Advent. Br. Lembke, who had gone to Schoeneck at 10 o'clock with his wife, held there the first Gemeintag, which was blessed. At the lovefeast, with 3 married couples and 3 single girls, the place was arranged in a Societaet, and there were received: 1 married couple, Frantz Clewell and 1 married woman, Weigand, our dear father BechTEL's oldest daughter.

November 30th 1762. Br. David Zeisberger came with his travelling companion Gottlieb Senseman from Wajomick well and safe.

December 1st 1762. It was announced to the congregation the death of Gottlob Mack early in Bethlehem.

December 3rd 1762. Br. Lembke went this forenoon to Schoeneck and visited the school there, which consisted of 28 children. After this he talked with Bro. and Sr. Neubert about various things. **** Bro. and Sr. Muenster visited the Nursery, which yesterday had been divided into two rooms; in the one room are 8 and in the other room are 9 children under the care of two widows; then they visited also the widows and single sisters.

December 4th 1762. In the afternoon came Br. Dav. Richter from Warwick with his daughter Magareth from Bethlehem, to visit his daughter Elizabeth here.

December 6th 1762. The brethren Lembke, Muenster and Peter visited in the forenoon Br. Eckesparre to congratulate him to his birthday.
December 7th 1762. In the morning went the 4 single sisters, who had been helping here for 6 weeks with the flax and hemp, breaking and swinging it, on our waggon back to Bethlehem. *** The waggon from Friedensthal came also to take the sisters Kunz and Sehnert with their things there. Bro. and Sr. Muenster accompanied them there and stayed over night there.

December 12th 1762. In a special session was read the nice letter of Br. Joseph D.D. Lindsey-House, September 10th 1762, in which was told of the safe voyage and arrival in England. **** Br. Francke preached to-day, Sunday, in Schoeneck.

December 20th 1762. Monday. In the morning came Sister Payne with the negro Mary from the inn in Bethlehem, who brought her little Frederick to the Nursery and returned in the afternoon again.


December 24th 1762. Towards noon came from Bethlehem Br. Nathanael to stay with us over the Christmas-festival and celebrate with us. Like every year Christmas-Vigil was celebrated in Nazareth. At 6 o'clock the boys celebrated in the Hall their Christmas-Vigil and at 8 o'clock theirs in the Hall.

December 25th 1762. Also the celebration of this day was performed as in the previous years.

December 27th 1762. In the afternoon Br. Schropp went to Friedensthal, visited the brethren and sisters there and afterwards went to the Rose and over Schoeneck he returned.

December 29th 1762. In the morning the waggon took the sisters Schropp, Frank to Bethlehem, with whom also the widow Muenster went, in order to serve Sr. Kunckler in the inn during her confinement.

End of the Diary of NAZARETH of the year 1762.
January 2nd 1763. In the Morning was such a severe cold weather, that the brethren and sisters did not come to the services in such a great number.

*** Br. Jacob Till went to Schoeneck (Sunday) and preached there and held also for the children a service and then the service for the Societaet.

January 8th 1763. In the twilight fire broke out in the Nursery when the chimney/through a flue was burning. The flames came through the chimney of a man's hight, and the sparks were flying around and fell often down on the shingle roof. But it was fortunate that no wind was blowing and that also some snow was still lying on the roof, and the brethren came quickly and extinguished the fire. If it had happened in the night, when everybody was asleep, surely the fire would have caught the house and before help would have arrived, a great damage might have been done. Our new well near the house has done its first good service, when we could get enough water from there. If we would have to fetch the water from the farm, it would have been a distant and slow wrok.

January 10th 1763. At 7 o'clock in the evening all married people came together and Bro. Nathanael in a kind and thorough manner he spoke to the brethren and sisters about the present circumstances regarding the economy on Nazareth, which one cannot alter as those in Bethlehem. The brethren and sisters were asked by Br. Nathanael to think the matter over in their homes and when they have come to a conclusion, they should notify him.

January 16th 1763. Sunday. On account of the heavy snowfall the brethren and Sisters could not attend the singing-hour, therefore they should have every family for itself their evening-prayer in their homes.

January 28th 1763. Br. Lembke visited in the forenoon the children in the Hall and held a service about the text.

February 13th 1763. It was announced to the congregation, that in the morning Br. Joh. George Claus had gone home, died.

February 15th 1763. In Schoeneck the new God's acre was consecrated.
February 16th 1763. The engagement of the following couples were announced: Bro. Martin Cremser with the single sister Ros. Teachulius, Bro. Franz Oberlin with the single sister Cath. Jung; and the single brother Thorp with the widow Ockertshaus.

February 17th 1763. The engagement of Bro. Langeard with the single sister Betty Sommers was announced.

February 20th 1763. Because of the heavy snow which had fallen, which then tunred into rain, the brethren and sisters stayed at home and had their services in their homes, for several of them are also sick.

March 12th 1763. Our drivers had to return, because on account of the high water they could not continue their intended journey to Philadelphia.

April 5th 1763. Bro. and Sr. Boerstler moved from the Rose to Gnadenhal to the economy there.

April 4th 1763. In the afternoon the widow Sr. Weber went in the carriage to Bethlehem to serve some sisters in their weeks of confinement.

April 8th 1763. Br. Schropp went to Friedenshui in order to announce there that the bro. and Sr. Joh. Schneider are moving from there to Nain.

April 12th 1763. In the evening service Br. Nathanael announced to the congregation that Bro. Jacob Herr will enter the office as manager in the Hall. And for that reason he went with Bro. Marshall and Schropp in the evening there, where he was presented to the brethren in a lovefeast.

April 13th 1763. Br. Brandmueller has printed in these days 200 half sheet of paper of a hymnbook in the Delaware language.

April 20th 1763. In the afternoon Bro. and Sr. Edmond moved from Bethlehem to the Rose, where they will live until the storehouse near by will have been finished built.

April 25th 1763. In the morning Abraham Bueninger's moved on their own request from Nazareth to New York with their 3 children.

April 28th 1763. From Bethlehem we received the glad news through a writer
of Br. Petri, that the Lord has given him and his Liesel a little son, to their great joy. *** IN the afternoon the Widow Regina Tannegerger went to Bethlehem in order to serve Sister Boehler in her weeks of confinement.

May 4th 1763. The single brother Lehnert moved into the Hall from Bethlehem for the service in the boy’s institute.

May 13th 1763. Early in the morning travelled Bro. and Sr. Nathanael from here to Wechquetang, and from Christian Spring they took along Br. David Zeisberger, who will go from there to visit the Indians on the Susquehanna.

May 17th 1763. This morning went the brethren Nathanael, Marshall and Lembke to the Hall and attended the clothing of the 10 youngest children, which was done in a nice liturgical manner.

May 18th 1763. From Bethlehem came with Brother and Sister Payne 3 chaisen with gentlemen ad dames from New York, also the Societaets people Brown and the Sister Garrison from Philadelphia came here. They looked around and attended also the children’s hour, which Br. Lembke held, and they were very attentive. Then they went to the Rose in order to eat there, and then they went over Gnadenthal and Christian Spring and were very satisfied with all. Then they returned again.

May 23rd 1763. Pentecost. About 12, 30 had the congregation nice agapen. Shortly before that came 2 gentlemen and 2 dames from Philadelphia over Bethlehem, who had expressly asked the permission to attend this service.

May 24th 1763. In the morning came Br. Johannes Arbo with a young gentleman, who is Br. Heinrich van Vleck’s brother’s son. He came from Bethlehem and visited in the Hall and in Christian Spring. *** At one o’clock there was the funeral of Br. Rudolph Christ.

May 25th 1763. To-day we received a great and distinguished visit by some gentlemen and dames from Bethlehem accompanied by Br. Marshall, who came over Christian Spring and Gnadenthal. Among them was the former Governor Mr. Hardy from Jersey and also his wife. They looked around in the Hall.
visited some children's rooms, and later they came to the farmhouse and
to the Nursery. After they had seen everything with pleasure, they went
to the Rose in order to eat there; then they went over Friedensthal and
returned to Easton.

May 27th 1763. Br. Peter visited the married couples in Friedensthal.

**** In the afternoon came Br. Montagne and with him the older Feldhausen
to Nazareth on their way back to New York. They stayed a while here.

June 9th 1763. The widower Werner moved from Bethlehem to Friedensthal
to live there.

June 21st 1763. In the forenoon Br. Lembke visited the children in the
school and held for them at the ordinary time a homilie about the daily
text.

June 23d 1763. Towards noon came Br. Dettmer with Bro. Proske to visit the
upper places.

June 24th 1763. Br. Nathanael and Marshall went with Bro. Schropp to Frieb-
densthal, where also Bro. Proske visited with them. From there they went
over the Rose and Schoeneck to Christian Spring, where they lodged over
night. **** In the morning early at 2 o'clock the married Sister A. Mar.

Christ went home; she died from consumption.

June 26th 1763. In the afternoon some rumours about restlessness of the
wild Indians was spread.

June 27th 1763. This forenoon Bro. and Sr. Lembke moved together with Bro.
and Sr. Joh. Schmidt to their place in the Hall. The latter one as house-
servant. Bro and Sr. Franck moved to the Nursery. The brother as liturgus.
In the quarterhour in the boy's institute Br. Lembke greeted them.

July 7th 1763. Towards noon came Bro. and Sr. Nathanael from Bethlehem to
Christian Spring and with them came also Br. Marshall, Detmer's and Pros-
ke's for a visit.

July 11th 1763. In the afternoon Br. Lembke visited the reapers in Chris-
tian Spring.
July 13th 1763. Early in the morning Br. Lembke was waked by Br. Dencke from Christian Spring and the Hall and some muscians on his birthday (60 years). *** Towards noon came from Bethlehem the widows Heckewelder, Hoepfner, accompanied by Sr. Ronner and Weber and went to the Choir-house.

July 15th 1763. Br. Bader celebrated to-day his 49th birthday in Gnaden- thal.

August 6th 1763. In the forenoon Br. Peter visited the married people in Christian Spring.

August 7th 1763. The announcement wasmade that the Governor had issued a proclamation, that on the 9th a thanksgiving should be held, on account of the peace, which has been made between England, France and Spain.

August 9th 1763. Br. Bader held the thanksgiving-festival in Schoeneck.

August 10th 1763. Sister Lembke celebrated her 43 anniversary.

Br. Christensen came from Bethlehem to Friedensthal in order to make new bags and boxes for the mill there.

August 11th 1763. In the afternoon had the single sisters also a little joy with their dear Anna Rosel at her birthday, which was yesterday, and which they celebrated with a little lovefeast, to which the laborers of Nazareth were invited as guests.

August 15th 1763. From Bethlehem we received to-day news, that the Captain Jacobsen had landed in London on the 10th of June, and that our dear Ignatius has died on the 14th of June, which news was also communicated to all the brethren and sisters in the other places.

August 19th 1763. All the places were very busy with bringing in oats.

August 20th 1763. The youths and boys had this afternoon in Christian Spring their classes and in the evening the single brethren had their special Choir-meeting. From Bethlehem came 10 brethren for a visit there. ** In the afternoon held Bro. Francke a farewell meeting. Both his wife and he have served for 4 years here.
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August 21st 1763. Bro. and Sr. Francke started out for their journey to Lititz over Bethlehem and they took along the single Rauschenberger.


August 27th 1763. From Lititz came Friedrich Otto in order to live in Nazareth.

September 3d 1763. In the forenoon came from Bethlehem accompanied by Br. Friedrich Otto 8 single sisters for a visit to their parents, brothers and sisters and other relatives. 6 of them will travel to Lititz to their Choir house there. In the afternoon they looked at the Hall.

September 5th 1763. Bro. and Sr. Schlegel came from Yorktown for a visit of their son in the Hall. Sr. Heckedorn went along with them.

September 8th 1763. In the forenoon came Bro. and Sr. Henr. van Vleck with the sister Pearson and Bro. and Sr. Horsefield to the Hall for a visit of their children. They ate with us dinner and in the afternoon they took pleasure in their children and had a cup of tea, after which they travelled back to their place.

September 10th 1763. The married couples had to-day their choir-festival. At 2 o'clock they had the Agapen at which laborers of the other choirs were invited as guests. At this occasion it was announced, that in this year 3 couples were married, 3 pairs went to their posts; one pair went to Bethlehem and one pair to New York. 3 other pairs moved again here. The Lord has given our brethren and sister 8 children, 3 boys and 5 girls. One Brother and one sister have died. The Married choir on Nazareth consists of 51 pairs. At the close a Cantate, which Br. Dencke had composed, with a pleasant music, was sung.

September 20th 1763. The daily text for this day: "The angel of the Lord campeth around those, who fear him and he helps them out", was a great comfort to us at the present time, when again rumours of trouble of the wild
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Indians are spread. *** Bro. David Zeisberger, senior, accompanied the Indian-brother Johannes from Chwihilusing, who had visited in Bethlehem, September 21st 1763, to Wechquetang. ***/ In the evening Br. Dencke returned from his visit in Lititz to Christian Spring and Br. David there from Wechquetang.

October 8th 1763. In the afternoon we received from Christian Spring the sad news, that the wild Indians had made an invasion in our neighborhood, in the Irish settlement and had done there some mischief, which had caused 3 families to flee to Christian Spring, and still more families were following, so that we had there 50 souls, big and small ones, who had taken refuge to our brethren and sisters there.

October 10th 1763. In the afternoon 3 of our wagons went to Wechquetang to bring from there the Indian brethren and sisters together with their belongings.

October 11th 1763. On account of spreading rumors, that the Indians in Sackenem(?), near Easton and not far from Friedensthal had done some mischief, people from the so-called dry land and from the plain had fled and had come to our neighborhood to Nazareth, and we gave them the house, in which formerly the nursing sisters had lived. Many people also fled today to Frieenthal, where they were quartered in the dining-hall, in the shepherd's house, the barn and in the stable.

October 12th 1763. The Indian brethren and sisters from Wechquetang arrived in Nazareth as refugees. At noon Br. Grube arrived here, who had lodged during the night with his Indians by Dietz, and we conferred with him about their quartering them. He assured us, that it was the highest time, that they moved from Wechquetang, for they were no more safe from the wild Indians nor from the white people. Towards noon came our wagons with the Indians and their things, but they had to leave much welsh-corn, cattle and implements behind. Bro. and Sr. Grube and their brown friends were quartered in the widow's house, from where the day-before-yesterday the old mo-
October 12th 1763. To-day the atmosphere got a little clearer, and we could breathe more freely, when we experienced, that all the rumours, which had caused so much anxiety and confusion in our neighborhood, were not true.

October 15th 1763. Our wagons, which at the beginning of the week, had gone to Philadelphia, returned well and safely to-day. The brethren could not tell enough how the people in the town and on the whole road were full of indignation against the brethren and our Indians, who shall be in fault, as 8 years ago.

October 16th 1763. Because the brethren and sisters on the places had many refugees, and many of them were used for the watch and inspection, every it place had its Sunday-services for themselves. In Nazareth after the Gemeinstunde the communicants gathered together, and Br. Lembke asked the brethren and sisters, to remember before the Lord the journey of the brethren Hœsefield, Schmick, Grube and others to Philadelphia on the request of the Governor regarding the matter of the accusation, that it shall be the fault of the brethren and the Indians, that the wild Indians had started trouble again.

October 17th 1763. This morning 3 wagons went with brethren to Wechquetang, to bring the Indian's welsh-corn and the other things, and the next day, they returned again, but had to leave many things behind, especially when they heard, that in Wajomik the New Englanders, who are living there, had been almost/murdered by the wild Indians.

October 19th 1763. Bro. and Sister Huebner moved to-day from here to Bethlehem, in order to live there.

October 20th 1763. Br. Nathanael accompanied by Br. Sam. Herr came to us and visited all the places and then returned again. This visit was for us
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October 22nd 1763. Br. Christensen, who for some time has had to do with repairs in the mill in Friedensthal, has come so far, with the work, that now two works can do work with 2 new English bags.

October 24th 1763. Our Indians built a hut behind the former widow's house for one family to live in.

October 27th 1763. In the afternoon came Br. Gambold from Staten-Island to Nazareth to visit his children in the Hall; he also brought us the glad news of the arrival of our European brethren and sisters on the 21st of this month.

October 29th 1763. Bro. and Sr. Gotge moved away from Nazareth, where they have served for many years, he as distributor, to Bethlehem into the Sun- inn. Br. Wenzel Bernhard came here to their place.

October 30th 1763. Sunday. The Brethren's choir came together, to remember before the Lord in Prayer the brethren Marshall, Schmick and the single Indian— Br. Renatus, who has been accused in an innocent manner and who have to go to Philadelphia. We remembered also the three brethren David Bischoff, Carl Opitz and eberhard Heckedorn, who have been called into the everlasting fellowship above.

October 31st 1763. In Gnadenthal and Nazareth the brethren and the strangers were very busy with putting the palisades.

November 7th 1763. Yesterday already our Indian brethren and-sisters have learned to know, that they by order of the Government should go to Philadelphia, and to-day the Sheriff came with Br. Horsefield and brought the order to the Indians, that they should get ready to-morrow for the train, he took away from them the guns and tomahawks, which they all in childlike manner and submission consented to do; so that we rejoiced over it. By doing so, they have rendered themselves legitimate in the presence of our brethren and sisters.
November 8th 1763. In the morning our dear Indian brethren and sisters with bag and baggage and with Bro. and Sr. Grube went away on their way to Philadelphia, and the white brethren and sisters, who did not like to let them go, because on account of their good behaviour and vigilance, accompanied them with their blessings. ** The wagons returned in the evening from there.


November 17th 1763. From Bro. Nathanael received we an express message from Bethlehem, that the wild Indians would make an invasion at three places, and the brethren were reminded to be upon one’s guard in all places. Br. Jac. Herr, who went with one wagon to Bethlehem, returned in the evening well and safely.

November 18th 1763. We received through Br. James Noble, who visited in Bethlehem, from Bro. Nathanael a letter with the sad news, that there in the morning the oil-mill had burned down to the ground.

November 20th 1763. Bro. Loesch visited Nazareth before he was leaving for Wachau.

November 24th 1763. Sister Werwing was introduced to the widow’s choir as helper by Bro. Nathanael and A. Jghanna. They came from Bethlehem last night.

November 26th 1763. The boys in the paedagogium had a nice and blessed Gemeintag.

December 7th 1763. In the morning went the brethren Nathanael, Petrus, Marshall, Muenster and Dettmer back to Bethlehem. On the road there an express messenger met them with the news, that Br. Segner had died, which news we let know also the brethren and sisters in Nazareth.

December 9th 1763. Through a letter by Bro. Petri we received the sad news
of the homegoing of Bro. Proske in Jamaica, which we also told the brethren and sisters in the other places.

December 29th 1763. In the afternoon Bro. and Sr. Nathanael went to Gnadenthal, where they stayed over night; Bro. Thranne went to Christian Spring and took his night quarter there.

Memorabilia of the congregation of Nazareth of the year 1763.

During the time of anxiety and trouble we had the fortune and the grace to serve our poor neighbors, who had to leave their houses, to give them shelter and retreat for themselves and for their children. Especially in Nazareth it was important to us, to receive among us our dear Indian brethren and sisters, who fled with Bro. and Sr. Grube from Wechquetang, and give them places here. During their stay with us, they have given us joy and edification and in many ways they have helped us, so especially with watching, and we were sorry, when they had to leave us again. But we are thankful that they have found a safe retreat and that they are well off in soul and body.

The good father has also blessed this year our fields and meadows, and gardens and has given us all, what we need for soul and body. Praise be to Him.

From here have been removed to other places:

(a) to the Hall: The brethren Jac. Herr as manager and A. Schmidt as house-servant.


(c) To Litiz: one boy Tobias Hirte.

To us came from the Hall:

(a) 4 boys, Joh. Weinland, Joh. Mordick, Sam. Flex, Chr. Froehlich.

(b) from Bethlehem: 2 brethren, Joh. Heckenwelder, Mich. Ziegler, also Bro. and Sr. Kaske.

In Christian Spring live at the end of the year:

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Carried over from Christian Spring .....................................73,
Widowers ................................................................. 2,
Married people 4 couples ............................................... 8,
boys ................................................................. 2,

Total: 85.

At the end of the year 1763 there were in all the places:

Married couples 49 or ............................................. 98 persons,
Widowers ............................................................... 8
Widows ................................................................. 21,
Single sisters .......................................................... 7,
Single brethren in Christian Spring 42,
" in the Hall 23 ... 65,
Youths and boys in Christian Spring 31,
Boys in the Hall ...................................................... 9, 40,
Children with the parents .................. 16, ... 06,
Boys in the Nursery ............................................... 7,
Boys in the paedagogium ....................... 97, 120

Total of all the souls 359

In the year before were 376 souls on Nazareth. 
This year are .................. 359

17 less than in the year before.

End of the Diary of Nazareth of the year 1763.

Diary of Nazareth of the year 1764.

January 5th 1764. Towards evening came an express messenger with a letter from Bro. Marshall in Philadelphia, which was sent to us by Bro. Petrus. This letter has comforted us in regard to our Indian brethren and sisters in Province Island.

January 7th 1764. We received again a letter from Bro. Petrus concerning the emigration of our Indian Brethren and sisters from Province Island to Albany, which the Government had resolved out of necessity. This news was also sent to the other places.

January 17th 1764. Br. and Sr. Petrus visited the brethren and sisters in the Rose, and they took also Sr. Werwing along, to let her see this place. They went then over Schoeneck.

January 18th 1764. Br. Lembke communicated a letter, which Br. Grube had written to Petrum d.d. Amboy, January 13th, concerning their journey from
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Philadelphia there, and that they had been stopped in their journey by the Governor of New York. This letter was communicated to the other places.

January 24th 1764. The entire day we had a severe snow-storm and -drift.

February 3rd 1764. Bro. and Sr. Rubel moved from Friedensthal to Bethlehem.

February 10th 1764. Over Christian Spring and Gnadenenthal came an express messenger with a letter from Br. George Neisser, in which was told about the preparations which were made against the rioters, which are approaching. This news was communicated this evening in the Hall and in Nazareth.

February 12th 1764. From Bethlehem arrived again a written news from Philadelphia, dated February 9th, concerning the homegoing of the old Indian, Br. Jacobs with small-pox; and it told about the intended attack of the rebels. We thanked with mouth and heart, that this gang had turned back and that no blood was shed. We communicated this news in Christian Spring, Gnadenenthal and in the Nazareth Hall, and the next day we notified the other places about it.

February 13th 1764. To-day we had a severe rain, after it had thundered and lightened in the morning.

February 21st 1764. From Bethlehem came the news, that on the 15th of January Sam. Isles in Antigua had gone home, died.

February 23rd 1764. Br. Golkovskii began with his assistant to survey the Nazareth land in 5 parts, for the brethren who want to cultivate it for themselves.

March 14th 1764. The widower Br. Werner of Friedensthal has moved to Bethlehem to live there.

March 16th 1764. On account of the change in the economy, which has been arranged last month, some brethren and sisters have changed their habitation in Nazareth, others moved to Friedensthal and Gnadenenthal, and again others moved from those places to Nazareth. ** The next day they continued with those changes.
March 20th 1764. Bro. and Sis. Mordick moved from Nazareth to Gnadenthal.

*** From Bethlehem moved Br. Angerman to Christian Spring, in order to relieve the head tailor there, Br. Dreyspring; and the latter one went to Bethlehem.

March 28th 1764. This forenoon the brethren Marshall and Schropp went to Friedensthal and were conversing with the other brethren and sisters there about the future housekeeping. **** From Bethlehem came with recommendations from Br. Payne a gentleman with his lady, who looked at Nazareth and the Hall, and attended also a children's hour to their satisfaction.

April 2nd 1764. This forenoon Br. Schropp went to Friedensthal and instructed the Brethren and sisters there in their own housekeeping, which they also began to-day.

April 26th 1764. The brethren Peter, with some brethren from Nazareth, Br. Dencke and Eckesparre, and also some brethren from the Hall, Christian Spring and Gnadenthal to Bethlehem for the commencement of the Synod there.

May 1st 1764. Br. Petrus held a blessed singing-hour, after which he saw the brethren and sisters in pairs, before he is leaving for Europe.

May 7th 1764. At 4 o'clock in the afternoon the entire congregation gathered in the Hall, where Br. Petrus and his wife saw first the children and their brethren by rooms, and each one with a fond kiss on the mouth and on the hand they bade farewell. Then they had with the entire house in the big hall a blessed lovefeast. At the close the boys sang in the name of all the children a farewell-Ode, which Br. Tiersch had composed. In that farewell-ode was mentioned, how the bro. and Sr. Petrus had served and manifested their love, for which the brethren and sisters were thankful. The Bro. and Sr. Petrus were then blessed for their journey and recommended into the hands of the Lord. ** In the evening all the brethren and sisters from both houses gathered and Br. Petrus spoke to them about the daily text. Then he admonished he them and warned them, that they should not be influenced by the Laodicean Spirit and that they should always keep close to
to the Lord. Then Bro. and Sr. Petrus bade farewell to the sisters and
Bro. Petrus bade farewell to the brethren and kissed each one. *** It was
to-day 24 years, that Bro. Petrus did tread upon this ground.

May 8th 1764. Early in the morning the travelling bro. and Sr. left Nazareth for Easton and from there to New York. They were accompanied by the
brethren Matthai, Franz Boehler, Schropp, Frommelt and Arbo.

May 10th 1764. This forenoon visited Br. and Sr. Peter the married people
in Friedensthal. Br. Brandmueller, who had been sick for almost 8 days,
went out to-day and visited Nazareth. *** Br. Payne brought from Bethlehem
two gentlemen from New York, who looked around in the Hall and visited Br.
Henr. Van Vleck's children and greeted them.

May 20th 1764. Sunday. To-day we read the diary of the Indian little congre-
gation in the Barracks in Philadelphia, from March 1st to April 23d.

May 21st 1764. In the afternoon came from Bethlehem, Br. Ettwein accompa-
nied by Br. Matth. Micksch, who has been engaged the day before yesterday
with the/Sister Henriette Peterman, who are going to the Wachau. The sing-
le brother Mich. Ziegler is going also to the Wachau.

May 27th 1764. Br. Beutel moved from Bethlehem to Christian Spring into the
laundry there in Br. Heppner's place.

June 4th 1764. In the evening at 8 o'clock in a liturgical service was bap-
tized by Bro. Lembke the little Johan Heinrich Mueller. --- But we called
Br. Matth. Otto from Bethlehem, because one did suppose another child, with
which birth it was difficult. But the Saviour helped this sister, that she
could deliver another little son, but his soul had returned already to the
mother's place.

June 14th 1764. Br. Hoeger brought a company of gentle people from Phila-
delphia for a visit of our children in the Hall, and they were very satis-
fied about everything.

June 30th 1764. The single brother Thomas Hofman after a previous pedilari0
was readmitted.
July 8th 1764. We learned to know of the safe and happy arrival of the acquitted Indian Brother Renati in the barracks of Philadelphia. We gave thanks to the Lord for his kindness.

July 20th 1764. In the afternoon went from Christian Spring after a hearty farewell, Br. Heppner to Bethlehem, from where he will go next week on his journey of message to Broadbay.

August 5th 1764. In the morning at 9 o'clock there was a service, in which was mentioned the engagement between Br. Franz Oberlin and the single sister Mélly Kingston, which took place yesterday in Bethlehem. The couple was recommended to the Lord in prayer.

August 15th 1764. Br. Hartman of Schoeneck hanged up our little bell near the Hall, after he had made in these days a little roof over it.

August 17th 1764. This morning went the brethren Peter and Schropp from Nazareth and from Christian Spring, and the Hall the brethren Dencke and Eckesparre to Bethlehem to the festival of the girls' choir, which was blessed by us and by our children in the Hall.

August 31st 1764. To-day the single brethren in Christian Spring celebrate their choir-festival. From Bethlehem had come for this occasion: Bro. and Sr. Nathanael, Bro. Frommelt and Thrane. In the memorabilia of the choir were mentioned the removing of 3 brethren, one to Bethlehem, one to the Wachau and John Edmonds from the Hall to his father as helper in the new store near the Rose. 3 brethren have been sent to Christian Spring from Bethlehem, one from Wachau, Br. Tiersch from Europe to the Nazareth Hall for the advancement of the new paedagogium there.

At present are living in Christian Spring single brethren 49,

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September 6th 1764. In the forenoon came with Bro. and Sr. Horsefield some gentle people from Philadelphia, who looked at the Hall and went on.
September 9th 1764. The choir-festival of the married people on Nazareth was celebrated. At noon dined the brethren and sisters from the other places in Nazareth. At 2 o'clock during the Agapen was noted, that Nazareth has had the little Indian congregation, that had to flee from Wechquetang, with Bro. and Sr. Grube, in their midst, and during the Indian trouble in our neighborhood, our heavenly father has kept it from all mischief and harm. *** By the change of the housekeeping in Nazareth and Friedensthal, 6 couples have been changing their habitation, 3 couples have been moved to other congregations. 9 children have been born to our brethren and sisters. The choir on Nazareth consists at the presence of 96 brethren and sisters.

September 12th 1764. Bro. David Zeisberger, junior, was sent as helper of the single brethren, boys and children to the Hall in the place of Br. Ecklesparre, and was introduced by Br. Frommelt.

September 14th 1764. Towards evening Bro. David Zeisberger came to the Pae dagogium and was received with cordial love. *** In the afternoon there was a conference with Bro. Nathanael about the community-regulations, which are to be published. *** Bro. and Sr. Muenster went to Schoeneck in order to talk with the brethren and sisters there about a misunderstanding, which has happened.


October 13th 1764. Bro. and Sr. Peter Braun moved from the Rose, where they had served for 5 weeks in the inn there, to Gnadensthal.

October 15th 1764. In Nazareth as well as in the Hall we had some kind visitors of 5 gentlemen, who had come from New York and who had lodged over night in the Rose. They were very satisfied over our children, which they had seen partly in the little hall and partly in some rooms; they bade us friendly farewell and went from here to Bethlehem.
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October 17th 1764. In the afternoon Br. Dencke brought the young bro. David Micksch in the Hall for the service of the children; Br. Senseman (Gottlieb) was moved to the room of the bigger children; Br. Ephraim Culvert, who had taken upon him the office of the house-servant, was relieved.

November 14th 1764. Bro. Franz Steip moved to the Nazareth Economy.

December 18th 1764. To our joy we learned to know, that the 4 Indian brethren, who had been looking for land at the Susquehanna and had found some, had safely returned to Bethlehem.

December 23rd 1764. The laborers on Nazareth have agreed in the last conference, on account of the old and feeble and sickly brethren and sisters when the weather is bad, rather to have the services in each place.

December 24th 1764. The Christmas-eve vigil was celebrated as in the previous years.

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For our outer and physical welfare has the heavenly father cared for us and has blessed us, in spite of the very dry summer, when the fields have not yielded as much fruits as in the former years, and we can say, that we have not lacked anything. We praise the Lord for his kind protection and for all the blessings which he has bestowed upon us all. At the present time there are the following people living on all places:

Married couples on all places 48 or 96 persons,
Widowers ............................................... 7,
Widows .................................................. 21,
Single sisters ......................................... 4,
Big girls .................................................. 2,
Single brethren in Christian Spring 48 persons,
In the Hall ........................................... 23,
In the store near the Rose 1 ........................................... 72 persons,
Youths and boys in Christian Spring 20 persons,
Boys in the Hall ...................................... 10,
(One is received and one is candidate) ........................................... 30 persons,
Children with the parents;
11 boys and 12 girls 33 persons,
Children in the paedagogium 96 persons 119 persons

Total of all souls 351 persons.

In the year before were 360.
The entire Insitute has 96 children, with helpers and overseers 134.
January 3d 1765. A messenger on horseback came from Friedrichstown to Br. Bader, whose brother-in-law is very sick, in order to fetch him to see his brother-in-law, Heinrich Seidel. Br. Bader left still to-day from Gnadensthal to see his brother-in-law.

January 18th 1765. It was snowing the whole day until night, and a storm is on from North-East, so that the next day not one could go to the other. Therefore the brethren and sisters had their liturgy in their houses.

January 27th 1765. A company of sisters together with Br. Friedrich Otto wanted to go over Christian Spring, where a path was made, on a sledge to Bethlehem, but they could not go ahead on account of the drift of snow, which had closed up the road. They had to turn back.

February 1st 1765. Br. David Zeisberger, senior, took again his pilgrim's staff in his hands and went from Christian Spring to Bethlehem, and to go as soon as possible in a certain matter to Philadelphia to the Indians in the barracks.

February 12th 1765. From Friedrichstown returned the brethren Edmonds and Golikovsky, where they had been concerning the affairs of the partnership of Heinrich Seidel, who had died.

March 4th 1765. The brethren began in the Hall the building of a new laundry-house and Stable near the Hall, after they had been driving there wood and stones, as long as the snow was still on the ground.

March 20th 1765. From Christian Spring went Br. David Zeisberger, senior, to Bethlehem on his pilgrimage with the waiting Indian brethren and sisters from Philadelphia to the Susquehanna.

March 24th 1765. Last night it was snowing the entire night and the wind was blowing very severely and it continued to-day, so that not one person could go out to see the other person in the other houses. We had to have our services in the houses and the other places had to have their services for themselves. Nobody can think of such weather before.
March 25th 1765. Although it was fine weather, but on account of the deep snow the congregation could not gather in the Hall, and therefore the places had to have their services in their places. Br. Lembke had to drive by sledge to Nazareth and he had trouble to get there.

March 31st 1765. In the prayer-company we were reminded of the journey of our Indian brethren and sisters, who are now in Nain, and who are travelling with Br. Schmick and David Zeisberger, senior, to the Indian country.

April 2nd 1765. From Bethlehem came Br. Popplewell with Bro. Wagner, who is visiting his children in the Hall, and who took his little John along with him, in order to get his damaged hand cured.

April 3rd 1765. Today passed our Indians on their journey to the Susquehanna. They stopped near the Rose and held their noon there. We looked after them with blessings in our hearts. Many of our brethren went there to see them and to bid them farewell.

April 16th 1765. Br. Edmonds travelled today with his son over Philadelphia to New York on account of partly his own domestic affairs and partly in matters of the store.

April 25th 1765. Early in the morning at half past five died in the widow's choir mother Leimbach.

May 6th 1765. Br. Lemmert with the youth Krausse commenced the children's laundry in the Hall in the laundry house which was built for the very purpose. Br. Heppner, who came yesterday from Christian Spring, will help them.

May 7th 1765. Early in the morning went Bro. Schropp to Bethlehem concerning economic matters.

May 10th 1765. Bro. and Sr. Liebsbh moved to Christian Spring this morning in order to serve in the economy there.

May 17th 1765. In the evening came the single brother Herman from Bethlehem and moved into the boy's institute for service in the first boy's room; he was welcomed in a boy's evening prayer. Br. Melchior Christ, who had
served the children in the 5th room was blessed for his removal.

May 20th 1765. Bro. and Sr. Neubert moved from Schoeneck to Nazareth and Bro. and Sr. Peter Braun from Gnadenhal moved to Schoeneck, where he will be teacher there.


May 25th 1765. Towards noon came quite unexpected Bro. Nathanael to Christian Spring in order to get a messenger to send to Br. David Zeisberger, senior, in Chwililising. He found Br. John Heckewelder, who was willing to go. He was sent, in order to meet the Indian brethren, who were about 30 and had gone over the Blue Mountains. He should fetch from there flour.

May 27th 1765. The second day of Pentecost. At 9 o’clock in the morning the congregation had gathered to continue the Gemeintag. Before this the prayer-choir was bringing before the Lord the journey of Br. Nathanael to New York and Philadelphia for a visitation, and also the journey of Br. Marshall—together with the bro. and Sr. Hehl into the country for the same purpose; the post, which Bro. and Sr. Grube have taken over in Lititz, where he will be the Vice-Ordinarius; then also the plan of Bro. and Sr. Friedr. Schmidt in Rhode-Island, where they will relieve Bro. and Sr. Utley.

May 28th 1765. Br. Starck moved after 6 years’ service in the kitchen of the Institute to Bethlehem to the Choir-House and to the hosiery there. Into his place came Bro. and Sr. Joh. Schmidt. ***Bro. and Sr. Garrison and the bro. and Sr. Kornman and Sr. Kemble from Philadelphia visited the Hall and with pleasure they looked at the house and at our children.

June 2nd 1765. Br. Tiersch went to Schoeneck to serve the congregation there. *** In the afternoon we had our entire Collegium Musicum. At this occasion, that Bro. James Noble, who had hitherto been our organist, is going to Bethlehem into the Choir-house, we had a nice lovefeast.

June 13th 1765. In the forenoon came the bro. and Sr. Thrane with their
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little Anna Pauline and the Sister Muenster from Bethlehem over Christian Spring and Gnadenthal for a visit. Br. Thrane held in the Hall for the boys a nice Homilie about the daily texts; and in the afternoon we heard our boys and some of them play music. Then he went with Br. Dencke to Christian Spring, where he was to stay over night. His wife and the child as well as Sr. Muenster returned to Bethlehem.

July 5th 1765. Br. Eckesparre returned to Bethlehem from Christian Spring. Also Br. Tanneberger went to Bethlehem after he had finished his work on our two organs in the Hall.

July 18th 1765. Br. and Sr. Schmick were to-day in the Rose occupied with the Indians from Machilising. There in the Rose was that by the Province assigned flour distributed. After this the Indians went back to Machilising, and Br. and Sr. Schmick after they had made a visit in the Hall, returned to Bethlehem.

July 28th 1765. Toward evening came the dear brethren Nathanael, Marshall and Detmer from Bethlehem to Nazareth. The next morning (29th) the same brethren visited in the Hall and after that they had in Nazareth a conference concerning the abolition of the still remaining economy.

July 30th 1765. In the forenoon went the brethren Nathanael, Marshall and Detmer to Friedensthal, where they had a economic conference there. ** In the afternoon the same brethren returned from Friedensthal and after a short stay in the Hall they went over Gnadenthal to Christian Spring, where they lodged over night. Br. Nathanael held there a blessed Evening-service.

July 31st 1765. The same brethren were in Gnadenthal and had there in the forenoon an economic business. After they had dined there, and Br. Nathanael held a service, they returned over Christian Spring to Bethlehem.

August 3d 1765. The single brother Jac. Ernst with Jacob Steiner came for a visit to Nazareth and to the other places to bid farewell before they leave for Carolina.

to take care of the housekeeping there; and Bro. and Sr. Kaske moved from
Christian Spring to Nazareth in order to do the cultivation.

August 10th 1765. Bro. and Sr. Micksch with their child came from Bethle-
hem to Gnadenenthal for the service in the economy there.

August 12th 1765. Several Indians came down from the Susquehanna, among
them were some of our Indians and some strangers.

August 13th 1765. In the afternoon we had some visits by 2 gentlemen, who
came from New York and brought greetings from Br. Henr. Van Vleck. They
looked around and saw with delight a few rooms with children and went then
over Christian Spring to Bethlehem.

August 15th 1765. Bro. and Sr. Schmick were to-day in the Rose, where
the Indian Brethren and Sisters from Machilusing had come, to fetch flour.
Br. Schmick was to see and to speak to the Indians. In the evening he held
in Nazareth the singing-hour.

August 21st 1765. Accompanied by Br. Joh. Bonn 2 boys from Christian Spring
Gottfried Schulze and Joh. Nathanael Hantsch went to Bethlehem, there to
learn a trade.

August 23rd 1765. In the forenoon went Br. David Zeisberger, senior on his
return trip with Br. Rothe to Wihilusing. To the night-quarter in the bush
they were accompanied by Br. Frommelt and David Zeisberger, junior. Br.
Joh. Bonn accompanied them to the Susquehanna.

September 9th 1765. Br. and Sr. Rubel moved from Friedensthal to Schoen-
eck to live there. From Bethlehem came Br. Gottlob Hofman for a visit in
Christian Spring and in the Hall.

September 14th 1765. Our boys in the Hall had their Gemeintag.

September 16th 1765. Br. Horsefiled came with two men from Brunswick, who
were looking around in the Hall and the other places.

September 21st 1765. It was announced to the congregation that Bro. and Sr.
Melch. Schmidt, who had been since in Mountjoy, had received a call to St.
Thomas, which he accepted. Also Bro. and Sr. Joh. Schneider had received a
a call to Nain in Labrador.

October 4th 1765. Bro. Powell came towards evening from Bethlehem, in order to go on his preaching-tour behind the Blue Mountains.

October 9th 1765. Over Bethlehem came from Philadelphia a gentleman with his lady and looked over the Hall.

October 14th 1765. Br. Matth. Otto was fetched from Bethlehem to the sick Sister Bader, and he visited the next day our sick Bro. Joh. Schmidt.

October 20th 1765. From New York over Christian Spring and Gnadenthal came Br. Schulze with Br. Wendel for a visit.

October 31st 1765. To Christian Spring came in the evening Johannes and Anton from Wihilusing with delightful news from Br. David and Rothe.

November 4th 1765. A waggon from Nazareth fetched from Bethlehem the 5 little girls A. Eliz. Gold, A. Dorothea Weinert, Cath. Schmidt, Eliz. Eyebly. A. Cath. Ziegler with their 2 sisters Mártha Mann and A. Mar. Klotz, and with them also their baggages were brought along. They arrived in the afternoon here, and were accompanied by Sister Esther and Christina Weber. Two other children, the little Gold and Boerstler, were also taken in to begin a day's school in Nazareth. *** From Christian Spring went the youth Wilh. Lanius to Bethlehem, to go from there to his parents in Yorktown, because he did not want to stay with us any longer.

November 10th 1765. In the morning at 8 o'clock our dear Brother Paul Frische in Nazareth went home. ***After a long time of dry weather we had a nice rain, after we had feared, that the springs would dry up and we would have to suffer with the lack of water.

November 23rd 1765. Toward evening we received the pleasing news, through a letter from Bethlehem, that our Brethren and sisters David Nitschman and Jos. Neisser had safely landed in New York from Europe on the 19th of this month.

November 29th 1765. In the morning our Bro. and Sr. George Schneider moved from Nazareth to Nain, where they intend to live.
December 8th 1765. Sunday. Br. Lembke read to-day the Diary of the little group of Indians in Waihilusing from August until November.

December 9th 1765. At noon the long expected Bro. and Sr. David Nitschman arrived for the first visit in the upper places accompanied by Br. Nathanael and Muenster. They stopped at the Hall and dined with Bro. and Sr. Lembke. It was a great joy for everybody and love filled our hearts. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the children and brethren had the pleasure to be together at a lovefeast. They brought many greetings from the Directorio and the children from Europe and they told us about the General-Synod over there. After this the Bro. and Sr. Nitschman saw the children and brethren rooms. Then they went to Nazareth, where they ate supper at Bro. and Sr. Peter's, and after this they had a lovefeast with the married and Widow's choir. Br. Lembke had composed a song of welcome, which was rendered accompanied by music. It is the 11th visit by our Bro. and Sr. David Nitschman. They visited here from the 9th to the 11th of December.

December 24th 1765. As in the previous years, so there was this Christmas-eve celebrated. *** Also Christmas-day was celebrated in like manner.

December 29th 1765. It was communicated the news to us, that in Antigua Br. Christ. Schulze, Brucker in St. Croix and Sister Schmidt in Rhode-Island had died.

December 31st 1765. We celebrated the watch-night as in the years before.

Memorabilia of the congregation in Nazareth of the year 1765.

Regarding the outer circumstances, we must say, that the Lord has blessed us abundantly and has overflowed us. The Commercium and professions have been made legitimate by the neighborhood, and it has not been lacking work. The plantations, fields, gardens, meadows and orchards have yielded much fruit and in every respect the harvest was richly blessed. And we had not only enough for our own use, but we could help others. The Lord be praised for his many blessings in the year past.

At the end of the year there are living on all the places and in Nazareth
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At the end of the year 1765 there are living on all the places and in Nazareth: In Nazareth Hall:

- 82 children,
- 03 youths,
- 08 boys,
- 20 single brethren,
- 01 widow,
- 02 couples of married people, A total of 118 persons.

In all the places with Nazareth together are living there at the end of the year 1765:
- Married couples: 42......................... 84 persons,
- Widowers: 6.............................. 6 "
- Widows: 20.............................. 20 "
- Single Sisters: 2........................ 2 "
- Big girls: 2............................. 2 "
- Single brethren in Christian Spring: 50 "
- In der Hall, single brethren: 20 "
- In the store in the Rose: 1 "
- Youths in Christian Spring: 10 "
- Youths in the Hall: 3 "
- Boys in Christian Spring: 14 "
- Boys in the Hall: 8 "
- Children in the paedagogium: 81 "
- Children with the parents: 12 boys, 15 girls 27 "
- In the service with the brethren and sisters in Nazareth are single women, who want to enjoy our care: 3 " A total of: 331 persons.

Last year there was a total of 351 persons, Are less in this year 20

End of the Diary of Nazareth of the year 1765.

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January 3d 1766. It had snowed plenty and a severe cold weather sat in.

January 5th 1766. Br. Lembke went to Schoeneck to hold the usual Sunday-services there. *** Our brethren and sisters in Nazareth held their services in their places, because it was so bitter cold weather. **** The boy Thomas Utley was taken to Bethlehem, in order to learn there a profession.

January 6th 1766. The cold weather rose 5 degrees higher than it was last year at this time.

January 13th 1766. The boys and youths in Christian Spring held to-day the festival. Bro. David Mitschman was officiating. In Christian Spring and in the Hall they held their festival-morning-prayer. The following brethren
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came to the festival: Brethren David Nitschman, Nathanael, Marshall, and Frommelt from Bethlehem. Also the two brethren Eckesparre and Noble came. Joh. Mueller and Jos. Horsefield were received from the choir to the Youth's choir and 14 children were received into the boy's choir. After the services went the brethren Nathanael and Marshall over Gnadenthal to Nazareth, where they stayed over night.

January 16th 1766. The brethren Georg Klein and Georg Huber returned to Bethlehem, after they had examined and estimated the inheritance of the late Paul Fritsche.

January 23rd 1766. At noon arrived our dear Captain Jacobsen to Christian Spring for a visit. In the afternoon also Br. Lembke went there to visit Br. Liebsch, who had become sick again. The widow Rosina Fritsch went to-day, after her things were put in order, from her former lodging in Nazareth to the widow's choir-house there.

January 24th 1766. Bro. Jacobsen visited the brethren and sisters in Nazareth and the children in the Hall, who rejoiced greatly and they welcomed the Captain with some verses of greetings. In the afternoon he went accompanied by Br. Dencke over Gnadenthal, where he visited, to Christian Spring.

January 27th 1766. Our Captain Jacobsen after a delightful visit here, returned to Bethlehem accompanied by Br. Dencke. When Br. Dencke returned from there, he was accompanied by Br. Eckesparre, who visited Christian Spring. From Friedensthal moved the Bro. and Sr. David Kunze with their little Joh. David to Nazareth in order to live there.

January 28th 1766. Four of the youngest boys from the Hall, Joseph Schober, Andreas Hirt, Jac. Jungman and Dan. Kunckler, accompanied by their brother, were taken to the Parents in Bethlehem, where they will stay. With the boys went another boy Christ. Ludw. Benzien for a visit to his parents, but he returned in the evening again to Nazareth.
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February 1st 1766. In the morning we received a letter from Br. Dencke in Christian Spring, bringing us the news, that there our Br. Liebsch has died at 6 o'clock, which news was communicated to all the brethren and sisters.

February 2nd 1766. The widows and widowers celebrated to-day their choir-festivals to which last night had come from Bethlehem 6 widows and some widowers accompanied by Br. Paul Muenster. Br. Nitschman held the service.

*** The widowers returned the next morning to Bethlehem, and the widows stayed to be present at the funeral of Br. Liebsch.

February 3rd 1766. At one o'clock the body of Br. Liebsch was brought over from Christian Spring and after a sermon by Br. Lembke, the corpse was taken to the Hutberg in the usual manner. Remarkable it was, that so many Moravian brethren and sisters accompanied the corpse. Some were among them who had come over from Bethlehem. Immediately behind the coffin were walking the 2 venerable brethren David Nitschman from Bethlehem as a deputy of the Directorio, and David Nitschman, Senior, from Bethlehem. After those followed the brethren George Zeisberger, Paul Muenster, Jacob Till. The widow was accompanied by Sister Rosina Nitschman. After the funeral the 6 widows and the single sister Jghanna Liebsch, accompanied by Bro. and Sr. Muenster on a Nazareth waggon to Bethlehem. *** Our late Bro. Martin Liebsch was born 1698 in November in Zauchtenthal in Morava. One of his daughter was married to Br. Anton Seiffert. One son; Samuel, is still in Herrnhut helper among the boys, and the other son, David, is in an East-Indian congregation, in Tranquebar. Br. Martin Liebsch was 67 years and 3 months old, when he died. He had 7 children in all.

February 6th 1766. The single brother Wagenseil left Christian Spring and moved into the Choir-house in Bethlehem.

February 9th 1766. In Nazareth in a liturgical meeting/Sister Anna Liebsch, was introduced into the widow's choir.

February 10th 1766. From Bethlehem came the single sisters' Christ. Meurer
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for the help of Bro. and Sr. Ziegler.

February 12th 1766. Bro. Schropp went in the morning to Bethlehem concerning economical affairs and returned in the evening. *** In the afternoon moved the widow Anna Liebsch from Christian Spring to Nazareth to her choir-house.

February 13th 1766. From Bethlehem came Br. Nathanael and his A. Johanna and with them came also Bro. and Sr. Rusmeyer for a visit, before they are leaving on their journey to Rhode Island. *** Br. Nathanael held for the Married Choir an evening prayer and Br. Rusmeyer held the singing-hour in Nazareth. The next day, February 14th, in the forenoon Bro. and Sr. Rusmeyer visited in the Hall and were lead by Br. Lembke to all the children's rooms; after this Bro. and Sr. Nathanael came to us, after they had visited the widows. They all went then to Gnadenthal, where they had dinner and went over Christian Spring to Bethlehem. From there came Br. Tiersch, who had gone there for his health's sake.

February 15th 1766. Bro. and Sr. Jos. Moeller moved from Nain to Christian Spring in the service of the economy there.

February 17th 1766. The widow Heckewaelder, who had served for some time in the Hall, went on our waggon to Bethlehem, where she will serve in the Sun inn. In the evening our waggon brought from Bethlehem Bro. and Sr. Goetge to Nazareth, where they will live and where Bro. Goetge will work in his shoe-maker profession.

February 18th 1766. In the evening in a special meeting of the Married Choir was read the letter of Adolph Gorden, in which he asks for Pardon. He had been in the smithy there and some time ago he had been turned away on account of an offence. After reading the letter, the opinion of the brethren and sisters was heard. They thought, that the man should be accepted on probation and he should work in the smithy.

February 24th 1766. Bro. and Sr. Joseph Neisser came from Bethlehem to vis
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February 25th 1766. They came accompanied by Bro. and Sr. Thrane and came over Christian Spring and Gnadenenthal. On the next day, February 25th, those visitors met the brethren and sisters in Nazareth as well as in the Hall, in all children's rooms. The boys, when the bro. and Sr. Neisser entered the boy's rooms, they made a nice music for them.

February 28th 1766. In the afternoon came Br. Frommelt to the Hall and held for the single brethren and their choir the doctrinal text.

March 3rd 1766. In the forenoon came Br. Bennett from Bethlehem, accompanied by Br. Dreyspring. Br. Bennett will relieve Br. Strueby in the 4th boy's room as brother for the boys, and there he will be also teacher of the English language. *** The brethren Eckesparre and Dencke came also for a visit.

March 5th 1766. The single brethren had their choir-meeting. It was today a stormy rain-weather.

March 6th 1766. Br. Strueby left us for Bethlehem, where he will live in the single brethren's choir-house. *** We had a severe thunderstorm with lightning and thunder.

March 7th 1766. One room in the institute got empty after several boys had moved away.

March 10th 1766. Today we had a very severe snow-storm from the North-East as we have not had the whole winter. **** Br. Bennett began with the English school in our paedagogium.

March 14th 1766. Br. Friedeman visited the brethren and sisters in Friedensthal, in the Rose and in Schoeneck.

March 15th 1766. The entire week we had a cold and stormy weather.

March 18th 1766. In the forenoon went the single brother Peter Steiner, after 5 and a half years of service in our boy's Institute to Bethlehem to the choir-house.

March 21st 1766. The brethren Nathanael and Marshall visited in Gnadensthal, in the Rose and in Friedensthal, after which they also came to the
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Hall. They stayed over night in Nazareth. ** The laborers in Nazareth had in the forenoon a conference on account of the next festival days.

March 26th 1766. The whole day it was stormy weather and the snow was drifted about. In the evening the weather cleared up.

March 27th 1766. Maundy-Thursday. We had deep snow, and we could succeed bringing some sisters from Nazareth, Gnadenthal, Friedensthal and from the Rose in sledges to the meetings.

April 1st 1766. Bro. and Sr. Schropp received a call to the Wachau from the Directorio in the place of Bro. and Sr. Ettwein, who will go to Bethlehem.

April 3d 1766. The brethren David Nitschman and Nathanael, who have gone into the country for a visitation, have been recommended to the Lord in Prayer.

April 5th 1766. From Bethlehem came Br. Schloesser from Philadelphia with his son and daughter and Just Erd for a visit here. In the afternoon they left us again.

April 11th 1766. Towards evening arrived here Sister Sus. von Gersdorf by bad weather and was accompanied by Sister/Ashley. They came on foot for a visit of their choir-sisters. *** We, especially the single brethren remembered our dear Br. David Zeisberger, senior, who is celebrating his 46th anniversary on his return tour to Wihilusing. We wished him many blessings for this day.

April 20th 1766. Sunday. At 9 o'clock in the forenoon gathered together the congregation and prayed the church-litany. From Bethlehem we had received news, that Sr. Bruecker in St. Crox, Br. Engelhard in St. Thomas, and that Sr. Flex/yesterday has died.

April 26th 1766. T-day we had our 5th Communion in the congregation, at which partook 177 members.

May 7th 1766 In the morning went our waggon with 9 children and 2 bre-
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thren for an accompaniment to Bethlehem. The children were visiting their parents there. In the evening they returned again from there.

May 19th 1766. From Bethlehem came Dr. Shippen from Philadelphia with his daughters, who should like to attend one of our services. They rejoiced very much over the children here, and with much satisfaction they left us again.

May 20th 1766. The young John Bennezet accompanied by Br. Eokesparre, visited in Christian Spring, in the Hall and his aunt, Sr. Otto in Nazareth. The Gnadenthal waggon brought in the forenoon the children of the brethren and sisters there from the girl's institute for a visit.

May 24th 1766. It was made known to the congregation, that Bro. and Sr. Yarrel have received from the Directorio a call to Scotland and have accepted it. Further it was announced, that Bro. and Sr. Senseman have received a call to Jamaica, which they also have accepted. *** Br. Rittmansberger had died in Barbadoes.

May 25th 1766. Our boys were happy about their Br. David Zeisberger, and they sang for him in the morning-prayer some verses of blessing for his 37th birthday.

May 30th 1766. In the morning most of the laborers went from Nazareth to Bethlehem for the Provincial Synod.

June 7th 1766. Br. Franz Boehler with his travelling-companion, Br. Warner, on their return tour to Oblong, visited us and stayed over night in Christian Spring.

June 14th 1766. Br. David Zeisberger, senior, after a talk with several brethren, returned to his post, Wihilusing, now Friedenshuetten on the Susquehanna, called; accompanied by some Indians. *** To Br. Joh. Bonn a good deal of Bro. Schropp's affairs were delivered.

June 19th 1766. After Bro. and Sr. Schropp had bidden farewell to the brethren and sisters in the upper house as well as near the farm, they went to Bethlehem, where also Br. Ettwein returned, because on account
went to Bethlehem, where also Br. Ettewein returned, because on account of the heavy thunderstorm he had to lodge overnight here in Nazareth.  

June 23d 1766. Early went Bro. and Sr. Till from Gnadenthal on their journey to their Post in Bethel; also the single brother Heppner left Christian Spring on his way to Hebron.  

June 25th 1766. In the evening had the single brethren in the Hall and Christian Spring in the Hall an important/meeting, which Br. Nitschman held for them. At this occasion was arranged anew the "Juenger-Sache"? (the disciple's concern(?)). Br. Nitschman spoke about the importance and the purpose of such a matter in the congregation. Br. Andr. Broksch was the first disciple in the choir.  

June 26th 1766. At 5,30 in the morning the boys were waked with music and at 8 o'clock they had their festival-morning prayer, which Br. Lemke held for them, on this children's festival. *** Soon after this came from Christian Spring the brethren David Nitschman, Nathanael, Marschall and Thrane to us to the Hall. Also the boys from Bethlehem had come.  

June 27th 1766. In the forenoon engaged themselves the 4 brethren David Nitschman, Nathanael, Marschall and Thrane with the revision of some certain scriptures. *** Bro. and Sr. Michler moved from Bethel to Schoeneck.  

*** Also in the widow's choir the Disciple's matter was arranged and Sr. Reiss was the first disciple. *** The brethren Nathanael and Marschall with the brethren in Nazareth held a Gemein-Rat, especially regarding management of the affairs, which Br. Schropp had to take care of before he journeyed to Carolina.  


June 30th 1766. In our Institute we commenced the new arrangement of the tables, where the brethren, children and boys eat all together. It was very nice to look at. *** In the forenoon we had in our house a disting
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guished visit of 2 gentlemen and dames, who partly are from London, partly from New York; and Br. Garrison, the older one, accompanied them here. After they had seen the house and the children in their rooms, they went away with much satisfaction to the Rose, to eat dinner there, and then they returned to Bethlehem.

**July 1st 1766.** Bro. and Sr. Schmick on their journey to Friedenshuetten on the Susquehanna, came from Bethlehem to Christian Spring, where they lodged over night and the next morning (July 2nd) when they passed, they greeted us and their son in the Hall. We wished them good luck and God's blessing of their journey and on their post.

**July 4th 1766.** In the afternoon visited us Br. Arbo with Br. Klein from Lititz and soon they went to Christian Spring.

**July 18th 1766.** In the forenoon came the sisters Marschal, Sus. Gersdorf, Liesel Schweinitz and Seidel from Bethlehem over Christian Spring and Gnadenthal for a visit here.

**July 26th 1766.** In the afternoon Br. Weinland in Gnadenthal took the 12 single sisters, who had been helping him in the harvest, back to Bethlehem. We closed this week with a singing-hour.

**August 1st 1766.** A quarter past eleven in the forenoon the Lord gave to the negro-couple Joseph and Hanna in Gnadenthal a little daughter, which was baptized in the evening by Br. Bader and received the name Mary.

**August 18th 1766.** This morning the brethren Joh. Bonnand Detmer went over the Blue Mountains on account of the piece of land for Wechquetang. ***

To-day the beginning was made for the stone steps in front of the Hall.

**September 8th 1766.** The married Choir celebrated their choir-festival.

**September 10th 1766.** The children bade farewell to the Bro. and Sr. Nitschman, Marschall and Eckesparre at a lovefeast. The various choirs bade farewell in Nazareth to the Bro. and Sr. Nitschman and Marschall and wished them on their way God's protection and blessing, especially over the Ocean. From Nazareth they went to Gnadenthal, where they had a farewell-
lovefeast. Then they went to Christian Spring and ate their dinner. Also there they bade farewell to the brethren and Sisters and returned to Bethlehem.


**September 23d 1766.** From Bethlehem brought Br. Matth. Otto his brother-in-law, Br. Schnepf, who came yesterday with Bro. and Sr. Ettein from the Wachau to Nazareth and visited all our places.

**September 29th 1766.** The young Br. Senseman came back from Bethlehem, where he received yesterday a call, to go with Br. David Zeisberger, senior, to Onandago.

**September 30th 1766.** From Christian Spring moved to-day the young Br. Friedrich Boehner to our boy's institute, and was introduced to the children in the 5th room by Br. Zeisberger, senior, in the place of Br. Senseman until he will return.

**October 1st 1766.** Br. Senseman travelled with Br. David Zeisberger, senior, to Onandago. In the Hall we had a farewell meeting with them and wished them a safe and blessed journey and God's presence.

**October 3d 1766.** We heard, that yesterday, Br. Bader had the misfortune to fall down from a chestnut tree and had broken his right leg, which news had frightened us very much and has made us sorry.

**October 6th 1766.** Towards noon came Br. Nathanael to Christian Spring and in the afternoon he visits Br. Bader in Gnadenthal.

**October 7th 1766.** The youth Pyrleus from the Hall went to Bethlehem in the service in the village boy's institute.

**October 10th 1766.** Br. Eberhard, who had served for a few years in the
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Village boys' institute in Bethlehem, will do the same service in the Hall with the children. And because Br. Schwarz, who is for some time sick and cannot anymore serve in the boy's room, therefore Br. Schoenberg will take over the care of the same.

October 17th 1766. Br. Gold had a very bad fall from the horse and we had to call Br. Math. Otto in Bethlehem, who came quickly and let him have bleeding and dressed him.

October 21st 1766. We thought very much of our brethren, who are in the trial of the Musskisich matter in the Supreme Court in Philadelphia, and we laid this important affair on the Lord's heart.

October 24th 1766. In the afternoon we received the glad news, that the Musschhisich affair had turned out to the best of the brethren. Last Tuesday, October 21st., it had reached its end. A neighbor, who had come from Philadelphia last night, was so kind as to write a note on a little piece of paper and send it to Br. Joh. Bonn. We thanked the Lord for his kind help in this matter. In the evening came then also Br. Albrecht, who had been witness at the trial in Philadelphia, to Christian Spring, and he told his brethren, how the affair went.

October 30th 1766. Br. Joh. Bonn and Br. Detmer and Golkovsky had gone to Wechquetang, in order to survey there the Unitaets-land and share it into various lots.

October 31st 1766. The big girl Anna Marie Fritsch moved from Bro. and Sr. Wenzel Bernhard to Bro. and Sr. Edmonds in the store near the Rose, where she will serve.

November 1st 1766. From Bethlehem came the old single brother Joseph Huebsch and moved to Br. Wenzel Bernhard, in order to help him in his house and at the building.

November 3d 1766. The brethren Detmer, Klein, Joh. Bonn and Golkovsky returned from Wechquetang to Nazareth, from where Detmer and Klein went to

November 9th 1766. To the Congregation was recommended the Widow's Choir-house building with liberal and voluntary contributions, which should be addressed to Br. Friedrich Otto. In the afternoon went Bro. and Sr. Lembke to Friedensthal, where he gave sick-communion to the sick Br. Cremser.

November 10th 1766. In the night we had unusually a thunderstorm with strong lightning and thunder until 4 o'clock, when a loud thunder-clap was heard.

November 12th 1766. We received from Bethlehem the news, that the thunderstorm went over Bethlehem and the lightning struck yesterday morning at 1 o'clock into the single brethren's house, but as it was not a igniting stroke, not much harm was done with the exception of some shingles and window-frames which were splintered. We were thankful to the Father in heaven for his kind preservation of the single brethren's house.

November 14th 1766. Br. Joh. Bonn from Christian Spring went to Bethlehem and from there to Philadelphia; it was a pretty rainy day.

November 16th 1766. We received news of the death of Br. Moh. Peter Diehl in Tranquebar.

November 17th 1766. The youth Peter Yarrell accompanied by Br. Schoenberg, went to Bethlehem to the Choir-house, in order to learn a profession there. *** Br. Peter visited the brethren and sisters in the Rose and in Friedensthal, especially the sick Br. Cremser.

November 19th 1766. In the afternoon we had the great joy in the Hall, the brethren Dav. Zeisberger, senior and Gottlob Senseman, who had returned from their journey to Onandago, to welcome and to refresh them, as they had not eaten anything from Wechquetang to here. They went then to Christian Spring, where they will rest this night. Br. Zeisberger, ju-
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November 24th 1766. Br. Senseman entered again his former post with the children, and Br. Friedr. Boehnero went again to Christian Spring to the tailor shop.

November 29th 1766. In the afternoon gathered to gether the workers on Nazareth with the brethren, who are doing commercial work and who have with a blessed impression a profession. To them was communicated the important writing of the Directorii and Vorsteher-Collegii by the Unitate concerning the Commercii.

December 1st 1766. Sr. Werwing went with Peter Cathar. Huber to Bethlehem to a conference concerning the widow's house, which shall be build anew. *** Br. David Zeisberger, junior, returned from there.


December 12th 1766. Br. Schwarz in the Hall died in the evening at 6 o'clock. He had suffered half a year already with consumption. An express messenger was sent to Christian Spring in order to notify the single brethren there.

December 15th 1766. Br. Eader held for the brethren and sisters in Gnadenthal house-services, after his broken leg has been healed again and he can walk around in the house with the help of a stick.

December 15th 1766. Br. Scheffler returned the day before yesterday from the Wachau and will live together with his brethren in Christian Spring.

December 24th and 25th 1766. The Christmas-vigil and the Christmas-Day celebrations were held as in the years before.

December 27th 1766. Our boys had a short but nice Gemeintag. Br. Lembke received a pleasant visit by a family-friend from Germany, who is at present in Philadelphia with Br. Guts and he is a Societaet-member.
him came also the brethren Guts, Schlosser and John Peter and his little son. December 28th 1766. After those people had breakfasted with Br. Lembke, they attended all services of the congregation. Then they went to Christian Spring and from there to Bethlehem.

December 30th 1766. Yesterday a deep snow had fallen. To-day we have a cold and stormy weather.

December 31st 1766. The services on this day and in the evening were held as in the previous years.

**Memorabilia of the congregation on Nazareth of the year 1766.**

| In Christian Spring are living: | Communicants, brethren | 40 |
|                               | Received                | 8  |
|                               | Communicants, youths    | 6  |
|                               | Received                | 3  |
|                               | Communicants, boys      | 1  |
|                               | Received                | 7  |
|                               | Not received            | 4  |
|                               | 3 married couples        | 6  |
|                               | Widower                 | 1  |
|                               | Boys                    | 1  |
| **Total:**                    |                         | 77 |

| In the Nazareth Hall:         | 74 children,            |
|                               | 1 youth,                |
|                               | 10 boys,                |
|                               | 18 single brethren      |
|                               | Total: 107 persons, 11 less than last year. |

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When we take all together, what belongs to the congregation on Nazareth then there are:

- Married people: 80
- Widowers: 5
- Widows: 19
- Single brethren, youths and boys 101
- In Christian Spring and in the Hall:
  - Single sisters: 2
  - Big girls: 3
  - Single girls: 5
- Children with the parents: 25
- Children in the Hall 74

**Total:** 314 persons, 17 less than in the year before.

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**End of the Diary of Nazareth of the year 1766.**
January 1st 1767. New Year's-Day. Our boy's Institute had two blessed meetings, which Br. Lembke held for them. The little children received a Daily-Textbook of the year 1758 and the bigger children received an English Hymnbook as a New Year's present. It gave the children much pleasure. In the evening everywhere and in the paedagogium with the entire house a singing-meeting was held.

January 2nd 1767. In the forenoon Br. Lembke visited the sick bro. Loesch in Friedensthal, and Br. Tiersch visited Br. Brandmueller at his work printing the new textbook. *** Bro. Jacob Meyer from Lititz visited in the Hall and went then to Christian Spring, and the day after he went to Bethlehem.

January 7th 1767. To-day came the old br. Loesch from Tulpehokin over Bethlehem to see his children, especially his sick son in Friedensthal. *** Bro. Paul Hennig was offered yesterday the post as master in the shoemaking shop in Lititz, which office he accepted. Br. Hennig has been working in our Insitute and the children took part in a meeting, which was held in favour of the departing brother. The children wished him God's blessing in his new work. The next day, January 8th Br. Hennig left us and went over Bethlehem to Lititz.

January 9th 1767. Bro. Ad. Huth came to-day from Bethlehem and went to Christian Spring, in order to take Br. Edmonds' place in a boy's room there. Br. Edmonds moved from there to the Hall in the place of Br. Hennig. Sister Jul. Weckler brought a bigger girl from Lynn, Bieghaus to Gnadenthal in the family there. Br. Friedr. Peter visited to-day the married couples in Gnadenthal and Christian Spring, as he did yesterday in the Rose and in Friedensthal.

January 13th 1767. The boy's choir in Christian Spring had its choir-festival. 3 children were received into the Boy's choir, and 5 boys were received into the youth's choir.

January 15th 1767. In the meeting at 2 o'clock Br. Nathanael gave us the
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special joy by announcing, that our brethren and sisters David Nitschman Marschall and the other members of the travelling party had arrived safely in London at the end of October. We had the more reason to be thankful because our "HOPE" and other vessels had arrived in a bad condition.

January 14th 1767. In the forenoon came the correspondence-messenger, Dorotheus Allemand from Hebron, to Br. Nathanael, and in the afternoon he went with Br. Joh. Bonn to Friedensthal, to see there the plantation.

January 20th 1767. Br. Nathanael and Bro. Thrane came to us in the Hall and went soon to Friedensthal for a visit, especially to Br. Brandmueller by his work, printing for this year the text-books. *** In the afternoon the brethren Nathanael and Thrane visited also in Nazareth and they remained with us over night in the Hall.

January 25th 1767. Sunday. On account of the bad weather, which we have since Friday, the congregation had their meetings in their places.

January 26th 1767. New snow had fallen and was mixed with rain, but in the night it had frozen hard and a hard crust had formed, and it was impossible for the brethren and sisters to get outside from the houses.

January 29th 1767. The single brother Glad came from Bethlehem to Christian Spring to the smithy there.

January 30th 1767. From Bethlehem came Br. Ettwein for a visit and with him came the young David Heckewelder to the building concern.

February 1st 1767. On account of the bad weather, because it began to thaw very much and it rained too, therefore the congregation had to have their Communion in their places.

February 2nd 1767. The widows had their Gemein-festival.

February 6th 1767. Bro. Oberlin came from Bethlehem for a visit with Br. Edmonds in the Rose, and on his way back he visited also Br. Lembke in the Hall. *** Br. Thiersch went for a visit to Bethlehem.

February 7th 1767. This morning at 6 o'clock grew pale Br. Cremser in Friedensthal.
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February 9th 1767. In the forenoon came the brethren Nathanael, Detmer, and Frommelt from Bethlehem to Christian Spring, and to Nazareth came Bro. and Sr. Thrane and Br. Muenster and the late Br. Cremser's daughter for the funeral of Br. Cremser. He was buried on the Hutberg.

February 10th 1767. The boys David Gold and Abraham Reincke moved from the Hall to Bethlehem, in order to learn there a profession.

February 12th 1767. The day-before-yesterday were engaged in Bethlehem the single brother Conrad Ernst with the single sister Cathar. Kraus and the widower Joh. Angel with the single sister Margaret Bihler.

February 16th 1767. On her earnest request the single sister A. Maria Demuth, who had served for some years at some families in Nazareth, received the permission to enter the choir-house in Bethlehem.

February 18th 1767. Bro. and Sr. Lembke received a short visit by Bro. and Sr. Diemer, who went then to the Rose, and from there over Christian Spring and Gnadenthal to Bethlehem.


February 27th 1767. Br. Brandmueller finished to-day printing the textbook for this year in Friedensthal.

February 28th 1767. In the forenoon died Br. Gottlieb Haberecht in Christian Spring.

March 2nd 1767. In the afternoon the funeral of Br. Gottlieb Haberecht took place. Br. Ettwein and a good number of the congregation had gathered for the same purpose.

March 3d 1767. In the afternoon 5 of our younger boys, Joh. Schnall, Peter Gloz, Joh. Anton Sagner, Joh. Heinrich Fritsch and Joseph Levering went from the Hall to Christian Spring to the Choir-house there. Ludwig Stoz and Abraham Boemper came to the boy's room in our house. *** Br. Rothe came from Bethlehem with the 2 single Indians, who had taken letters from Friedenshuetten there and were returning now.
March 10th 1767. Our Bro. Gold was so unfortunate when cutting wood, that a block fell on his one foot, that he could not go home. The next morning March 11th 1767, early an express messenger was sent to Bethlehem, to get Mr. Matthes Otto. But Br. Tim. Horsefiled came and put the dislocated foot into its place.

March 12th 1767. Yesterday and to-day was such cold weather, that we have not had any such in January before this.

March 16th 1767. The single brother Franz Seifert is moving to Christian Spring to the weaving. He had returned from Lititz Choir-house.

March 20th 1767. Bro. and Sr. Brandmueller moved from Friedensthal, where he has been 9 and a half years as lector to Bethlehem. Also the single brother Thom. Hofman moved from Christian Spring to Bethlehem into the Choir-house there, where he will live.

March 22nd 1767. In the Hall had the single brethren their choir-liturgy, at which Br. Golkovsky received from Br. Lembke the disciple-dignity.

March 25th 1767. To-day all the choirs had their festival.

March 30th 1767. To-day moved Bro. and Sr. Dorst Allemand, who had lived since near Hebron, to Friedensthal, where they live now as people, who have rent a place. Br. Joh. Bonn then delivered to them the economy there.

March 31st 1767. In the evening a letter from the Diaconat's-Conference to the brethren in Nazareth in the Hall concerning the arranged forest-economy was read, and the instructions for the appointed Forest-Inspector, Br. Joh. Scheffler, were laid before him with the future observance. In the other places the same will be done.

April 2nd 1767. In the forenoon Br. Nathanael visited with Br. Joh. Bonn in Friedensthal, where he wellcomed the new farmer, Dorst Allemand. Br. Frommelt had come from Christian Spring and visited in the Hall.

April 6th 1767. Bro. and Sr. Jac. Meyer from Lititz came here, to see the brethren and sisters in Nazareth as well as the children in the Hall before they leave for the Wachau. In the afternoon they went to Bethlehem.
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April 10th 1767. The single brother Jos. Otto, who had been in the boy's room and had taken care of the writing there, and has served our Institute by supplying it with information, has moved to Bethlehem to his cousin Matthaeus Otto, where he will learn surgery and pharmaceutics. *** In his place Gottl. Senseman moved, and in the latter ones place to the bigger boys came Br. Boehner from Christian Spring.

April 11th 1767. Bro. and Sr. Oesterlin, who lived since in Friedensthal, have left there and have moved from there to Nazareth with their little daughter, where a place has been assigned to them.

April 19th, Easter-Sunday, 1767. Maunday Thursday, Good-Friday and Easter-day have been celebrated just as it was done in the previous years.

April 24th 1767. The single brother Joseph Huebsch, who had been for a time with Br. Wenzel Bernhard, and had served him in Nazareth, moved to Bethlehem to the Choir-house.

April 28th 1767. To-day the widows from Nazareth went to Bethlehem to the laying of the foundation of their choir-house, the widow's house. They went on a waggon in the morning and returned in the afternoon in fine weather.

May 3d 1767. Mr. Mueller from Lancaster attended the meetings. He is a friend of the brethren and he stayed a few days in Christian Spring, where he had done some service for the beer-brewery.

May 11th 1767. In the morning 7 of our children were taken to Bethlehem for a visit with their parents, and in the evening they were brought home again. Bro. and Sr. Schweishaupt from Lancaster brought their little Joseph to our Institute.

May 14th 1767. In the afternoon Br. Sydrich visited us in the Hall together with the brethren Dencke and David Zeisberger, senior.

May 18th 1767. In the morning the single brethren's laborers went to Bethlehem for a visit, but returned in the evening with the 8 children, who with 2 brethren had been taken there for a visit with the parents.
May 21st 1767. In the forenoon went Bro. and Sr. Peter to Gnadenthal and Christian Spring, to speak the communicants for Holy Communion.

May 25th 1767. The boys in the institute waked with singing and music. Br. David Zeisberger, junior, on his 38th anniversary. *** In the after­noon visited us Br. Frommelt, Br. Žencke and David Zeisberger, senior. Frommelt returned again to Bethlehem during the day. ***Bro. and Sr. Haf­ner in Christian Spring brought their little Jacob to our paedagogium.

May 31st 1767. The gathered congregation remembered to-day in the Litany Br. Schmidt, Medici, who had died in Neudietendorf.

June 8th 1767. The music collegium had a nice lovefeast.

June 14th 1767. In the afternoon it was announced to the congregation, that Br. Bennet in the Paedagogium had received a call from the brethren in the Directorio to Barbadoes, and he accepted it.

June 15th 1767. In the afternoon we had the unexpected joy to see Br. Ett­wein having returned safely and well from his visiting journey in New England in our midst. After he had seen his 3 sons here, he went over Gnadenthal to Christian Spring, where he lodged over night and went the next day to Bethlehem.

June 18th 1767. Between 7 and 8 o'clock in the night a terrific storm and thunderweather arose, which struck several times in our neighborhood. But we could thank the heavenly father for his kind protection and pre­servation, especially that the store-house near the Rose and the inhabi­tants there have been graciously protected, although it had struck in several places and of a loaded gun a piece had been torn away and the gun had not discharged.

June 19th 1767. Azarias Smith from Christian Spring was appointed as hel­per to Br. Ziegler in the service to the boys here.

June 20th 1767. Br. Bennet had a farewell meeting with us and his children, whom he had served for some time. Br. Bennet has soon to go to his new place in Barbadoes.
June 22nd 1767. In the afternoon we had a visit by some gentlemen and ladies from Philadelphia. They delighted in the children and afterwards they returned to Bethlehem over Christian Spring.

June 24th 1767. Our boys in the paedagogium had their festival in the Hall. With music and songs the boys were waked in the morning. *** The brethren and sisters in the Institute celebrated the cup of covenant.

June 28th 1767. In the afternoon sang our boys, and the single brethren as well as the widows their respective Choir-Liturgies. Among the single brethren Br. Christian Stiemer became disciple and among the widows was Sister Liebsch made disciple.

July 2nd 1767. In the morning came Bro. and Sr. Eggert from Bethlehem to visit their children in the Hall; also Bro. and Sr. Ettwein came with their little Magdalene, and with them came also Sally Benezet and Sister Betty Langley. Sally Benezet came to see her brother.

July 5th 1767. Br. Lembke reminded the brethren and sisters, how thankful they had to be towards our heavenly Father, who had kindly protected the inhabitants in the store near the Rose and the house itself, when during a heavy thunderstorm, which struck the storehouse near the Rose on June 18th, no harm was done there. *** Then Br. Lembke read a letter from Br. Matthei about the thunderstorm on the 25th of June, when the lightning struck Br. Fenstermacher's house without doing much damage. Then a letter from Br. Friesen in Philadelphia was read, in which he tells about the terrible thunderstorm there, when the lightning struck the Gemeinhouse and the brethren's church and caused much damage, but when nobody was hurt. We were thanking the Lord for his kind care.

July 7th 1767. In the forenoon Br. Toelle visited in the Hall and in Nazareth, and in the afternoon he went to Schoeneck and to his former place, where he used to preach at Br. Franz Clewell on the Bushkill.

July 9th 1767. Br. David Zeisberger, senior, came back from his journey to Philadelphia, where he accompanied the Indians.
July 13th 1767. The boys in the paedagogium waked Br. Lembke with music and songs at his 64th anniversary. With him rejoiced the boys and the brethren and sisters at a nice lovefeast, to which also had come from Bethlehem the brethren Thrane, Ettwein and Frommelt, all so dear co-workers on Nazareth. After dinner returned the brethren Thrane and Ettwein to Bethlehem.

July 17th 1767. In the afternoon a very severe thunderstorm with heavy strokes started, after which we had a strong rain, which lasted until late at night.

August 16th 1767. Mr. Dan. Bebezet with his daughter and his son Anthony came accompanied by Br. Ettwein for a visit of his little son Daniel in our paedagogium.

September 1st 1767. Br. Christ. Leimbach received a call as master in the tailor shop in Lititz. He left our Institute and went to Bethlehem. In his place Br. Merck from Bethlehem was appointed, ad interim.

September 8th 1767. The married choir-festival on Nazareth was celebrated. The married choir on Nazareth consists of 38 pairs, 2 pairs less than in the year before, and 26 children, 12 boys and 14 girls, are in the care of their parents.

September 10th 1767. This morning we had a nice rich rain after a dry weather of three weeks, for which we are thankful to the heavenly father.

September 15th 1767. In the afternoon came Br. Dryspring from Bethlehem accompanied by Br. Strueby for the service among the children, in the place of Br. Leimbach.

September 16th 1767. After a few weeks of service with the children, Br. Merk moved again to Bethlehem.

September 20th 1767. Br. David Zeisberger, senior, started early on his journey to the Ohio Indians over Friedenshuetten. The brethren Joh. Bonn and David Zeisberger, junior, accompanied him as far as on the Susquehanna.
September 22nd 1767. In the evening-service it was announced to the widow's choir, that Br. Boehner had been engaged with the widow Hekke-waelder.

September 23d 1767. From Sichem came Br. Smith to visit Bethlehem and to visit also his son Azarias.

September 30th 1767. Br. Frommelt came in the afternoon to us in the Hall and proposed to Br. Jacob Herr, who has been manager of the economy since 5 years, a change, and he choose to move to the choir-house in Bethlehem. In his place was Br. William Edmonds requested to take over the office of a manager in our Institute, which he also accepted willingly.

October 7th 1767. Br. Jacob Herr moved to Bethlehem, and Br. Edmonds moved to the Institute as manager. Br. Lemmert, who was serving for some years with the children's laundry, after a farewell with the children and the brethren, went to Bethlehem.

October 10th 1767. In the morning went the single Brother Delfs after a hearty farewell from Christian Spring to Bethlehem and from there to Lititz into the shoemaker-shop there.

October 12th 1767. In the afternoon visited Bro. and Sr. Boehner, who came up from Bethlehem, to visit our places and their son in the Hall before they are leaving for the Caribs. *** From Bethlehem came also the single brother Christoph Schmidt to Christian Spring to the tailor's shop there.

October 13th 1767. Br. Peter went early this morning to Bethlehem into the cure of Bro. Otto there.

October 23d 1767. From Friedenshuetten came some IndiansBrethren and brought some letters along, among which was one from Br. David Zeisberger senior, who had started on the 29th of September over Diaogu to Ohio with a few Indian-Brethren.

October 27th 1767. From Bethlehem came Br. Frommelt for a visit of his single brethren in Christian Spring and in the Hall.

November 2nd 1767. In the afternoon brought Br. Horsefield, senior, a few
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gentlemen and ladies from Philadelphia for a visit in our house. They were very kind and delighted about our children, and they went away very satisfied about it and also about the kind reception in Christian Spring, where they had been before they came to us. From Nazareth they went to the Rose.

November 5th 1767. In the forenoon we had a thunderstorm, which did not last long. *** The single brother Joh. Moeller moved from Christian Spring to Bethlehem into the Choir-house.

November 8th 1767. Br. Joh. Bonn had a visit by two of his brethren and his sister in-law.

November 14th 1767. Quite unexpected arrived Br. Nic. Garrison, the younger, from Philadelphia and visited his son in our institute, also our wagon from Bethlehem returned again.

November 15th 1767. Br. David Zeisberger, senior, returned safely and well from the Ohio at noon in Christian Spring. With him came from Friedenshuetten on the Susquehanna Br. Shebosh and some Indian brethren and sisters.

November 18th 1767. During the day it snowed pretty much until the night.

November 19th 1767. With Bro. Frommelt went Bro. David Zeisberger, junior and Br. Lembke in the afternoon to Christian Spring to greet Bro. David Zeisberger, senior, after his return from the Indian land. *** In the evening Br. Frommelt held his brethren in Christian Spring a blessed choir-meeting.

November 21st 1767. In the evening late came Bro. and Sr. Edmonds from their tour to New York.

November 22nd 1767. The brethren and sisters had their services in their places, because it had rained the entire night very much and in the forenoon it had snowed very much. Our Gemeintag had to be put off for next Sunday.

November 28th 1767. Our children had their Children's Gemeintag. They had
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had such nice weather as in Spring. The girls in Nazareth were present at it. Br. Lembke held for them a service about the daily text.

November 29th 1767. The single brethren in Christian Spring had a grievous pain over the going away of Strausen without telling anybody a word.

December 7th 1767. Towards noon came the bro, and Sr. Nathanael from Bethlehem for a visitation of the brethren and sisters in the upper places and the little congregation in Schoeneck. ** The boy Christ. Ettwein moved from the Hall to Christian Spring, in order to learn the shoe-maker's trade there.

December 8th 1767. Bro. Nathanael with his Anna Johanna visited the brethren and sisters near and in the Rose and in Friedensthal. In the evening was as usual the lesson and a singing-hour.

December 11th 1767. Br. David Zeisberger, senior, went this morning early to the Rose, to meet and speak on their own request, the Indians, who had come from Maryland. He accompanied them to the mountains.

December 14th 1767. Bro. and Sr. Nathanael went after 8 days stay with us back to Bethlehem. ** The whole day we had stormy and unpleasant weather with snow-storms.

December 24th, 25th 1767. Christmas-vigil and Christmas-day celebrations were conducted as in previous years. ***** Also the watch-night service was held in the same way as in years before.

The Married Choir on Nazareth consists at the end of the year of:
38 pairs, of which 21 are in Nazareth, 1 in Friedensthal, 2 in and near the Rose, 2 in the Hall, 9 pairs in Gradenthal and 3 pairs in Christian Spring. Of those in the service by Brethren and sisters is a single brother, Jos. Huebsch and 1 single sister Mar. Demuth, who moved to Bethlehem into the choir-house. With the parents are: 26 children, 12 boys and 14 girls.

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January 10th, 1768.

At 9 o'clock the congregation, as many as could manage to get out on account of the glazed frost, which was caused by the cold rain yesterday, gathered in the Hall from the places, and we prayed the church-litany. In the front were sitting the youths and boys who celebrate today their choir-festival. Br. Lembke held a talk about the daily text.

After 10 o'clock Br. Nathanael gave a special impressive talk, after which 2 boys of Nathanael, Samuel Flex from Christian Spring, and Johannes Renz from the Hall were received into the Youth's-choir. The following 7 children from the paedagogia, Matth, Hancke, David Beutel, Matth, Muecke, Nathanael Schmidt, Joh. Peter Lehnert, Peter Mordick and Joh. Gottfried Engel had been received into the Boy's-choir. After this they had their classes when Br. Nathanael blessed the choir- and other laborers and admonished them heartily. *** In the afternoon they had their Agapen, when all the other laborers on Nazareth attended as guests. Among other items it was told, that this choir is the strongest in North America. After this a festival-Ode of the year 1766 was sung accompanied by a lovely music. And with at the end/the New Testament benediction the Agapen were closed. Soon after this Br. Nathanael gave a pathetic festival homilie, and the communicants together with their laborers and overseers partook in the cup of covenant. The other youths and boys with a choir-evening-prayer closed the blessed festival of this day.

January 15th, 1768.

In the forenoon visited Bro. and Sr. Lembke on the Rose and in the storehouse. In the afternoon came Br. Arbo from Bethlehem to Christian Spring in order to carry pound as agent of the Heathen-Deputation the money-case to the Brethren and Sisters up here. He began today in Gnadenenthal and the brethren and sisters there and in Christian Spring gave with very willing hearts and even more they gave than one could have expected from them.

January 16th, 1768.

In the forenoon came Br. Arbo also to us in the Hall,
but soon after he went to the Rose and then to Friedensthal; and in the afternoon he gave the children and the brethren a special joy, when he visited them in their rooms with his money-box and when they could have into the money-box the grace, to put/their pennies, which, they possessed or which they had been given to them. We had reasons to be happy about the willingness to give, and we were grateful to the Lord for that what he had given. In the evening Bro. Arbo stayed over night with us; it was snowing very much the entire day.

January 17th 1768. We had for the first time in this year a pleasant and blessed Gemeintag, to which the congregation gathered pretty numerously. *** Bro. Arbo went after his business here in Nazareth and went then with thanks and gladness to Christian Spring.

January 18th 1768. In the morning bro. and Sr. Lembke and with them Sister Werwing went in the Hall-sledge to Bethlehem for a visit, and returned in the evening. It was pretty cold. ** Bro. Arbo went this afternoon again to Bethlehem.

January 19th 1768. In the morning went Br. Tencke from Christian Spring and Br. David Ziesberger, junior, from the Hall to Bethlehelm to a conference, which the single brethren's workers had among themselves.

January 22nd 1768. In the afternoon came Br. Frommelt to Christian Spring to visit his single brethren.

January 23d 1768. Our boys had their first children's Gemeintag in this year. After their litany, they were entertained with nice news in the forenoon and afternoon. ** At 4 o'clock was the Homilie about the text and in the evening they had a blessed worship. *** The congregation had at the close of a week their evening services. *** The single communicants-brethren in Christian Spring had a blessed Homilie, which Br. Frommelt held. In the forenoon he had visited in the Hall.

January 25th 1768. In the morning Br. Frommelt returned to Bethlehem,
where also the widow Segner was taken for the service with Sister Popplewell. ** Almost the whole day was stormy weather, and in the evening it was lightning and thundering.

January 30th 1768. At 1o o'clock the congregation gathered for Holy Communion. First they had the agapen, after which Br. Lembke spoke about the daily text, and prayed for absolution, after which they partook of the Lord's body and blood. The youth Elias Hirt, and the 2 boys Christ. Ettwein and Joseph Gambold, the first two from Christian Spring and the latter one from the Hall, were candidates and were looking at the action.

February 1st 1768. From Christian Spring moved the boy Heinrich Gerter to Bethlehem, to the Choir-house, in order to learn a trade. *** In the evening came Bro. Nathanael to Christian Spring, where the dear Father had averted a misfortune, when in the forenoon a hidden fire broke out in the malt-kiln, but which was discovered in time and could be extinguished, before a greater damage could be done.

February 2nd 1768. The widow's choir had its festival, to which had come from Bethlehem 8 widows, and which went back to Bethlehem the next day.

February 7th 1768. Sunday. Notwithstanding the snow, which had fallen yesterday and despite the unbeaten path the congregation gathered in the Hall for the services. *** In the afternoon was the liturgies of the choirs. Br. Kreiter joined the choir of the single brethren. Sister Christ joined as disciple the widow's choir.

February 9th 1768. In the forenoon visited Bro. and Sr. Lembke in the store and on the Rose.

February 12th 1768. Br. Dencke, and on the following day Br. David Zeisberger, junior, went to Bethlehem for a conference.

February 14th 1768. In the morning in the 3d hour the widower Br. David Reichard in Gnadenental died quickly. The evening before he was still active in the stable and with other work, also he was in the evening service.
When he was driving out the horses he had a very hard fall, but he did not lament about anything, only that he had a little pain in the shoulder. We then sent this message by Bro. Mordick this morning to Bethlehem to the Brethren there. *** Today the congregation had its Gemeintag and the death of this brother was announced to the brethren and sisters in the ordinary liturgical manner. Note: In the Personalia of this brother is said the following about his experience: When he was driving out the young horses, they got shy and ran away with Br. Richard and he had a hard fall, when he must have had an inner injury. But he did not complain about anything, only that it did hurt him in the shoulder. He also helped still to clear away the thrashed out oats and in the evening he visited the service. But in the night he got much pain probably by cloaged up blood. One gave him medicine, but nothing would help him. He had the strong inclination to vomit, and he told also, that some vessel had been burst. A Brother ran to fetch Br. Weinland, and before he could come, Br. Richard had departed already. That was in the morning 2,15. He reached an age of 54 years, 14 months and 1 day.

February 16th 1768. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock the congregation gathered together for the funeral of the corpse of Br. David Richard, which was conducted by Br. Lembke on the Hutberg. He was born in Hermsdorf in Low-Silesia, and was brought up in the Lutheran Church. When he came to Herrnhut in the year 1741 he liked it there so much, that he should have liked to stay at once. But he was then sent to Herrnhaag, where he was working for some time as a faithful and true laborer. In the year 1744 he arrived in Bethlehem and in January 1744 he moved with 30 couples to Nazareth and served there the congregation in the economy, and later he moved to Friedrichstown, where he also worked in behalf of the children's Institute there. While there his wife died and left with him 3 children, 2 sons and 1 daughter, which afterwards also died and went ahead of him.
From Friedrichstown he came as widower to Gnadenenthal, where he has served the economy most of the time; besides this he has taken care of the economy for 2 years in Friedensthal. He had the testimony, that wherever he has been in a congregation, he has served there in all willingness, faithfulness and diligence.

February 22nd 1768. Some Indian-brethren from Friedenshuettem, Papuahan, and David came to Christian Spring with letters and news, which Br. Dav. Zeisberger, Senior, took in the morning of the 23d to Bethlehem.

February 27th 1768. At the Communion-Agapen Br. Nathanael delivered kind greetings from Br. Schmick and his Indian-congregation in Friedenshuetten, and he reported the repeated discontentedness of the wild Indians towards the white people and he reminded the brethren and the sisters of the existing difference between the government and the assembly, everybody may be careful and not to show any partiality, as it is becoming of the people of God.

March 5th 1768. David Heckewelder should be taken away, because he does not want to stay any longer and wants to have another master. He has been connected with Mr. Hunziger near Bethlehem.

March 14th 1768. Bro. and Sr. Joseph Moeller have moved from Christian Spring to Bethlehem, where they intend to live.


March 16th 1768. In the afternoon came Br. Merk, who the day-before-yesterday had come from Bethlehem to visit the single brethren, came to the Hall. The single brethren in Christian Spring as well as in the Hall had their Choir-meeting.

March 20th 1768. To the services of the congregation only a few attended on account of the snow-storm.

March 26th 1768. Br. Immanuel Nitschman visited Christian Spring and in the Hall.
March 31st 1768. When we want to go to the Hall to Holy Communion a severe thunderstorm came with strong lightning and it struck several times so vehemently, that the big house was shaking, and almost all the brethren and especially the sisters got so frightened, when all the windows in the Hall, where they were sitting already, began to rattle. But it soon passed, and then we could have Holy Communion. After one half an hour, when the brethren and sisters were going home, a terrible storm arose with hail-stones. But all the brethren and sisters arrived safely at home.

April 3d 1768. Easter-Sunday. In the morning after 5 o'clock gathered together as many as could of the brethren and sisters on account of the rough weather, which we have since Monday-Thursday, and we had our Easter-Liturgy, and we celebrated this day as in former years.

April 11th 1768. We received the news from Bethlehem, that the single Bro. Merck had been engaged with Sr. Levering from the widow's choir, which news was also communicated to the all the brethren and sisters.

April 13th 1768. Everybody is busy on the fields and in the gardens, because we had such fine weather, regular spring-weather.

April 15th 1768. Because Simon Heller, who is living 6 miles behind the Rose, and who has served us faithfully in the affair of the Indian Br. Renatus, had sent to us yesterday a messenger and has asked us kindly, to send a preacher of the Brethren, in order to bury his wife, who had died the day-before-yesterday, Br. Bader went there and he had an opportunity before a pretty number of people, to witness for the Lord.

April 19th 1768. In the afternoon visited us Br. Schlosser from Philadelphia.

April 22nd 1768. Bro. and Sr. Thrané went this forenoon again to Bethlehem and took from our Institute the child Joh. Ludwig Geitner along, who shall be taken to his parents in Lititz next week. *** Also Br. Senseman
who has served in our house among the boys and children with inspection and information, has received a call, to go with Br. David Zeisberger, senior, to the Ohio and to help him there; he went to Bethlehem to bid farewell there.

April 26th 1768. Yesterday in the forenoon came the brethren David Zeisberger, Senior, and Bro. Senseman, who had been received for the Acoluthie, and they prepared for their departure to the Ohio. To-day a tender farewell was given in the Hall to the two brethren, who are leaving for the Ohio. Br. Ettwein is accompanying them to Friedenshuetten. Br. Nathanael will accompany them for a few miles and return to Bethlehem over Christian Spring.

April 27th 1768. Towards evening Br. Elert brought from Bethlehem from the village boy's institute 2 children to our house, namely the little Peter Jungman and Jasper Payne, which shall be put to our little children.

April 30th 1768. Bro. and Sr. Peters visited the married people in Christian Spring and Gnadenenthal. The children in the paedagogium and the brethren and sisters remembered Br. Matthaei, who celebrated to-day his 64th anniversary. *** Through Br. Edmonds we received the news, that the single Carl Ollendorf, who went away from the congregation, had died last night on the plantation of Stecher, not far from Friedensthal.

May 2nd 1768. We heard with pleasure, that our wandering brethren to Friedenshuetten, had arrived safely and well on the Susquehanna and that everything for their advancement on their journey up the stream was met.

May 3d 1768. Our single brethren in the Hall had a visit by 2 brethren from Lititz, namely Loether and Rippel.

May 5th 1768. At noon we had a visit by a distinguished saléman from London with 2 ladies. They saw our children in their rooms and our boys entertained them with music. The old Br. Garrison lead them around and they went away very satisfied.
May 9th 1768. From Bethlehem came Br. Boemper and collected in all the places the second voluntary contribution from the brethren and Sisters for the new-built widow-house in Bethlehem.

May 10th 1768. Our waggon brought 8 children from our institute to Bethlehem for a visit to their parents.

May 11th 1768. Our institute and the widows of Nazareth had a kind visit by 3 sisters from Philadelphia, who came accompanied by Sister Mueller from Bethlehem to Nazareth. In the afternoon they returned to Bethlehem over Gnadenthal and Christian Spring.

May 13th 1768. In the forenoon came Sister Garrison with a Societaets-sister from Philadelphia, accompanied by the old Br. Garrison to Nazareth in order to see her little Nicolas in our Institute.

May 16th 1768. In the morning a waggon went to Bethlehem with children, who were to visit their parents there. A few brethren accompanied them. In the afternoon visited us Br. Hofman with Br. Dencke in the Hall.

May 17th 1768. In the forenoon brought Br. Ludwig Boemper from New York his son Abraham to the Paedagogium, and returned to Bethlehem in the afternoon.

May 18th 1768. In the afternoon came Bro. and Sr. Merks with the old father Bechtel for a visit of their sister Weigand here in Nazareth.

May 19th 1768. In the evening we had the pleasure to meet our Br. Ettwein, who had returned from his journey to Friedenshuetten with Br. David Zeisberger well and safely. We greeted him and entertained him. He made us happy with the news of the prosperous travelling of our Br. David Zeisberger from Friedenshuetten to Tscheschequanik on his way to the Ohio, from where some Indians with canoes will fetch him. Everything was taken care of.

May 22nd 1768. We celebrated today Pentecost with the entire congregation in the Hall. *** Mr. Daniel Benezet, who had come yesterday already from Bethlehem, visited his little son in our institute.
May 28th 1768. In the forenoon Bro. and Sr. Nathanael went to Friedenthal and the Rose, and in the afternoon they were in Gnadenthal to the pleasure of the brethren and sisters there.

June 1st 1768. Br. Johannes Bonn came to us in the Hall. The old Servas, a friend of the brethren, who is living a few miles behind Wechquetang, about 22 miles away from here, had sent his son to Br. Bonn with the hearty desire for a preacher, because his daughter has died and shall be buried to-morrow. Br. Joh. Bonn asked Br. Tiersch to do this service of love. And Br. Tiersch went at once on his way with the son of the old Servas in the afternoon, and the next day at the funeral of the daughter he gave to a large and attentive gathering a testimony of the Saviour, the only foundation of our salvation.

June 3rd 1768. Br. Martin Schenck had come from Bethlehem and had given us a hand yesterday and to-day at the building of a cellar near the Hall.

June 6th 1768. At noon came accompanied by Br. Ettwein from Bethlehem over Christian Spring and Gnadenthal 4 gentlemen, of which was the deputy of the General-Postmaster and the others were salesmen (merchants) from London. They came here and looked at our house, and visited the children in their rooms, and went then to the Rose in order to eat there.

June 8th 1768. Bro. and Sr. Neisser with Bro. Boemper and a nephew of Sister Burnside from New York had come to Christian Spring and Gnadenthal and visited there and at noon they ate in the Hall. *** Also Br. Schoenberg returned from his visit in Lititz safe and sound. *** In the afternoon had Bro. and Sr. Neisser the children and boys, whose parents are living in New York and Staaten Island with them, and Bro. Boemper had his grandchildren with him at a vesper. All went back to Bethlehem after they had seen and greeted Bro. and Sr. Edmonds and the widow in Nazareth.

June 18th 1768. Towards evening about 7 o'clock our house got a visit by Mr. Governor from South-Carolina the Lord Montague and his lady, who
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were accompanied by Br. Ettwein from Bethlehem. Our boys gathered in the Hall and sang very nicely, to which some boys played their instruments. The visitors were very satisfied and went then to the Rose, where they stayed over night.

June 29th 1768. The boys had a blessed boy's festival, to which had come from Bethlehem from the village-Institute and 14 boys with their 3 brethren. At noon they all dined together and had some nice music, rendered by the boys in the Hall. The whole day was occupied with this celebration of the boy's festival.

July 8th 1768. In the afternoon came over Christian Spring and Gnadenthal Mr. James Allen and Mr. Gordon, Protonotar, from Easton with 3 ladies for a visit of our house.

July 10th 1768. Br. Joh. Arbo, who had come yesterday from Bethlehem to us, was collecting for the heathen-money-box.

July 11th 1768. Br. Lembke received in the afternoon a visit by a Jew from Easton, who is a Rabbi, and who is wearing against the custom of the Jews in this country, a beard.

July 15th 1768. In the morning had the house-congregation in Christian Spring a pleasant reaper's lovefeast, after which 20 brethren began the corn-harvest.

July 16th 1768. In the afternoon at 1, 30 gathered the Communicants for Holy Communion. Shortly before there was a stormy weather with hail, which had not done any damage.

July 29th 1768. In the afternoon brought Bro. and Sr. Horsefield, sen., Mr. Mifflin and his wife, and Mr. Lewis, and his wife; nice people from Philadelphia for a visit in our house over which they were happy.

July 31st 1768. In the afternoon had the little ones in Nazareth and our boys in the paedagogium a blessed quarter-hour.

August 1st 1768. By the nice weather all of our brethren and sisters were everywhere on the fields busy with cutting wheat, picking flax, mowing
August 7th 1768. Br. Mattheus, who went to-day to Schoeneck on a visitation, remained over night in Christian Spring, held there a blessed evening service and went back to Bethlehem the next day.

August 12th 1768. Before noon brought Br. Ettwein 2 women and 2 men, who were Quaeckers, over Christian Spring and Gnadenthal for a visit of our Institute. They were nice people, who enjoyed themselves over our children.

August 15th 1768. In the forenoon visited our house and our Institute Mr. Duchée, the English Preacher in Philadelphia together with Mr. Dr. Morgan and a young merchant, Mr. Wm. White, also from London. They enjoyed their visit and we enjoyed the visiting people; for they were beautiful and kind people. In the afternoon arrived again a party of visiting people, namely 2 gentlemen and 3 women from the Jersey, who had like the others, visited Bethlehem. They were very modest and rejoiced over our children.

August 19th 1768. From Bethlehem came over Gnadenthal and Christian Spring 2 men and 4 women from Philadelphia to see our house and our children, which people we were leading around to their satisfaction.

August 20th 1768. From Bethlehem came Bro. and Sr. Walters for a visit in our places and they stayed in Christian Spring over night.

August 22nd 1768. This morning went Br. Nathanael, who had come last night from Bethlehem, with Br. Joh. Bonn to Jersey, in order to visit Mr. Green. Br. Heppner came to visit the single brethren here.

September 4th 1768. Bro. and Sr. Ettwein went in the morning to Schoeneck, where he will hold the services there, and where he will have the congregation together.

September 5th 1768. Br. Schenck came from Bethlehem for a visit here in the Hall; and went in the afternoon to Christian Spring.
September 21st 1768. In the morning took the Hall-waggon 9 of our children to Bethlehem, that they could visit their parents, and in the evening they returned from there again.

September 25th 1768. From Friedenshuetten brought the Indian Br. Andreas letters from Br. Schmick to Br. Lembke, from which we could learn the condition of the Indian-Congregation there.

September 26th 1768. In the afternoon 2 boys, Gottfried Zahm and Joh. Peter Lehnert from the Paedagogium, were taken to Christian Spring; the first one shall learn the tailor's trade and the latter one shall help for a time on the farm.

September 28th 1768. In the morning went a waggon with children from the Hall to Bethlehem, where they were visiting their parents.


October 4th 1768. From Bethlehem came Br. and Sr. Goettlich for a visit of our places.

October 12th 1768. In the morning at 7 o'clock went our widows, after they had bidden farewell to all the brethren and sisters in Nazareth, to Bethlehem, where they moved into their new Choir-house. Bro. and Sr. Lembke, Br. Peter, the brethren Bader and Dencke got up early and went also to Bethlehem, to attend the entering into the widow's house. In the afternoon we had a short visit by a German, by name Schillinger, who is a medical doctor, who was travelling in the West-Indies. He came here on his return trip over New York to Boston. He had eaten with the brethren in Christian Spring.

October 15th 1768. In the forenoon Br. Tiersch from the Paedagogium and Br. Bacher from Christian Spring went on their journey to the Synode in Lititz.
October 16th 1768. In the congregation a letter was read, which the Unity-Bereitschaft (the Unity-manager’s committee) had sent to the elder-conferences for a new encouragement in partaking with voluntary hearts in the needs of the Unity. Then it was also made known to the congregation, that the next General-Synod would be held in Marienberg in the coming year, and that the conference of the economy in Bethlehem would send Br. Nathanael as a deputy of the North-American congregations to the General-Synod. Our Sister Anna Johanna will accompany him there.

**** Br. Lembke reminded the congregation of the Provincial Synod, which will be held at the end of this week, in Lititz.

October 26th 1768. Two of the younger gentlemen Allen beside Mr. Lawrence and still another gentleman, who up here for some weeks have been hunting, came to the Hall and wanted to see our house and the other buildings.

October 30th 1768. We were reading the diary of the brethren David Ziesberger, senior and Gottlob Senseman on their way to Goschgosching.

November 7th 1768. Br. Ettwein came towards evening on his way to Wechquetang.

November 9th 1768. Bro. and Sr. Nathanael came to Nazareth, and he was busy with Br. Peter and Joh. Bonn about the moving around of some brethren and sisters, because the upper house has been evacuated by the widows. In the afternoon they went to Friedensthal and to the Rose.

November 16th 1768. Br. Wenzel Bernhard moved in these days from his bakery in Nazareth to the former widow’s house.

November 26th 1768. From Friedenshuetten came the sisters Esther and Lucia to Nazareth and brought us letters from Br. Schmick.

December 5th 1768. Towards noon brought Br. Frommelt Bro. Oldendorp from Bethlehem to Christian Spring on a visit there, and in the afternoon he went to Gnadenenthal.

December 7th 1768. Br. Oldendorp went accompanied by Br. Frommelt and Joh. Bonn to Friedensthal, to the Rose and to Schoeneck and back to
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Christian Spring. — In the evening had the single brethren in Christian Spring and in the Hall a choir-meeting.

December 14th 1768. From Bethlehem brought Br. Heinrich Mueller, who is occupied in the brick-works there, his little son Heinrich to the Paedagogium.

December 19th 1768. Br. Herman Loesch and Lischer travelled to Tulpehokin, to visit their sick father, who is about to die.

December 20th 1768. In the afternoon came from Christian Spring Br. Joh. Klein from Lititz to us, to visit us.

December 24th, 25th, and 26th 1768. Christmas-Vigil, Christmas-day were celebrated as in the years before.

December 29th 1768. Since three days we had nothing but fog and rainy weather. ** Watch-night service on the last of this month was celebrated in the same manner as in the years before.

The single brethren-and boy's choir consists at present:

- Single brethren in Christian Spring: 50
- Youths and boys in Christian Spring: 19
- In Nazareth Hall, single brethren: 10
- In Nazareth Hall, youths and boys: 12
- In the Rose, single brother: 1

Total: 100

There are in Nazareth Hall at the end of the year:

- Boys: 71
- Single brethren and boys: 30
- Married couples, (2): 4

Total: 105, 2 more than in the year before.

When we now take all together, what belongs to the congregation on Nazareth, then we have:

- Married people: 74
- Widowers: 3
- Widows: 1
- Single sisters, serving in the Girl's institute: 2
- Single sisters, in Gnadenthal: 2
- Single sisters, in the service of the brethren and sisters in Nazareth: 3
- Big Girls: 2
- Single brethren, and Youths, and boys in Christian Spring and in the Hall: 100
- Children in the Boy's institute: 71
- Children with the parents: 26

Total: 284
January 5th 1769.
Br. Nathanael went with Br. Joh. Bonn to Jersey to Mr. Green in some affair. In the evening there was a blessed lesson and singing-hour.


January 18th 1769. Bro. and Sr. Heinrich Mueller with their little Wilhelm moved from Bethlehem to Nazareth, where they will stay.

January 22nd 1769. Sunday. The services were held as usually. The Indian Brother Johannes Papunhank, who arrived yesterday with some others from Friedenshuetten, attended all the services here.

January 25th 1769. Br. Rothe, who is on his journey to Friedenshuetten, came to us in the Hall, and we blessed him for his journey, which he will start to-day with Joh. Papunhank and some other Indians. He will do service among the Indians in Tschechschequanik. The congregation will remember him and the work in their prayers.

February 13th 1769. The brethren Martin Schenck and Schindler came from Bethlehem to visit their Choir-relations in Christian Spring and in the Hall, and returned the following day.

February 24th 1769. Our boys in the paedagogium waked to-day our Br. Tiersch with music and lovely song for his 42nd anniversary; after this he did breakfast with Bro. Nathanael and his co-workers in the house.

February 27th 1769. Bro. and Sr. Peter Brown came from Bethlehem in the evening, before they leave for Antigua, they want to see their children in the Paedagogium as well as the brethren and sisters in the various places and also in Schoeneck.

March 1st 1769. Br. Eyerle brought his new apprentice, Herbach from Yorktown, from Bethlehem to Nazareth.

March 14th 1769. From Bethlehem came Bro. Oldendorp, to see once more our places before he is going to Europe.

March 15th 1769. In the evening died Sister Goetjin, who had been sick for 8 days. *** We had after long waiting a letter and news from Br. Da-
vid Zeisberger in Goschgoschuenk, which news made us rejoice and happy.

March 18th 1769. In the afternoon gathered the congregation numerously
also several strange people for the funeral of Sister Goetjin. She was
born in Ulm in Wurtemberg. She left Marienborn in August 1743 and ar-
rived in Bethlehem in December of the same year, but in the new year they
moved to Nazareth. She reached an age of 47 years, 2 weeks and 5 days.

March 26th 1769. Maunday Thursday, Good-Friday and Easter were celebra-
ted in the same manner as in the years before.

March 29th 1769. Br. Hoecher received a call to the boy's institute in
Lititz, for which work he was blessed. * * Br. Johannes Weber will enter
our Institute in the Hall.

April 3d 1769. To-day the boy Christian Benzien, who should get a place in
the office of Br. Oerter in order to learn the book-keeping there, was
taken to Bethlehem.

April 7th 1769. After some days of nice and warm weather, we had an affec-
ting unusual cold weather, which continued for some days.

April 10th 1769. In the afternoon our house and the children had a visit
of 3 young men from Old England, who were very satisfied with the con-
ditions.

April 13th 1769. In Christian Spring died our Brother Gottfried Greiter,
after he had been sick only for 4 days. He was a Mennonite, but came to
our Church in October 30th 1754 in Bethlehem, and the next day he came to
Christian Spring, what he called his "dear" Christian Spring. He has been
a faithful brother and has done fine service among the youths and boys,
and it was his delightful duty, to lead the young people to the Saviour.
When he died his age was 28 years, 6 months and 4 days. He was buried
on April 15th 1769, in the afternoon at 2 o'clock on the Hutberg. The
brethren Ettwein, Arbo, Schenck and others came from Bethlehem to the
funeral.

April 19th 1769. In the forenoon came Br. Matthes Otto from Bethlehem, who
brought his little Matthes to our Paedagogium, and Bro. and Sr. Waarkas-
sen came also from Bethlehem and brought their little Peter to our In-
stitute. They ate with us dinner, and after they had delivered their
children in the institute, they returned home again over Gnadenthal and
Christian Spring.

April 23d 1769. From Bethlehem came this forenoon Sister Boemper from
New York with her little Isaac, accompanied by Abraham Andres, who is vi-
siting his son Abraham in the paedagogium. They returned again later.

April 24th 1769. In the forenoon came Br. Henrich Van Vleck from New
York over Bethlehem for a visit to his sons in the Hall. Soon after Br.
Ettwein came with 2 english men, who were looking at our house and at
our children, who were just sitting at the table. They had before vi-
sited in Christian Spring, and had eaten on the Rose.

May 2nd 1769. In these days we had continual rain, which changed this af-
ternoon into snow.

May 3d 1769. We had to-day fine and warm weather. Br. Abraham Andres came
from Bethlehem and pur out new striking clock/in order.

May 5th 1769. From Bethlehem came the old bro. and Sr. Garrison with the
old Mother Parson and her daughter, the young Horsefield, in order to vi-
sit their grandchild the little Nicolas Garrison in our institute. They
returned in the afternoon over Gnadenthal and Christian Spring.

May 10th 1769. This forenoon our house received a visit of 2 officers,
who Br. Garrison accompanied from Bethlehem to Nazareth. They looked a
little around and then returned again over Gnadenthal and Christian Spring,
where they also were lead around.

May 11th 1769. In the forenoon came 7 persons, 3 men and 4 women, who
were riding on horseback, in the front of our house and requested to be
lead around. They came from Philadelphia and were Quakers, but they were
nice, orderly and kind people. Bro. and Sr. Lembke took them around, and
the people were delighted about our children. Then they went over Gnaden-
Gnadenthal and Christian Spring, that they expressly wanted to see; then they went to Bethlehem, where they were recommended.

May 14th 1769. Pentecost was celebrated as in the previous years.

May 15th 1769. In the afternoon had our children in the Hall a blessed meeting. The old Brother Loesch in our house rejoiced with his children, among which was also his son Adam from the Wachau, and his grandchildren, which he gave a vesper.

May 18th 1769. At 4,30 in the forenoon died our Bro. Bacher in Christian Spring, which news was announced by the sound of trombones. Bro. Bacher was born 1725 in February 1st in Salzburg, where his parents had a farm.

In the years 1732 to 1734 were the religious troubles, caused by the Catholic church. Into the hands of Br. Bacher's father Lutheran books had found its way, and he and his neighbors silently were reading them and they were edified by them. But soon they were accused by the catholic authority as heretics and a very strict investigation was made and it was demanded from them, that they should give a confession of their faith. They also should swear that they would profess the Catholic Faith, which they did not want, but rather would they leave the country. They were threatened with terrible punishment, and two of the brethren and sisters of Bro. Bacher were so frightened, that they remained in the country to the great grief of the parents, and they left the country and came to Ulm, Swabia. Br. Bacher, whose parents died, came then to Ebersdorf in the year 1745, where he joined the Moravian Church. In the year 1754 in November 24th he arrived with a party in Bethlehem. Soon after this, he was assigned to Christian Spring, and he helped later at the building of the Nazareth Hall. He was also choir-servant there and he has been a faithful servant of the Lord and has done his best for his choir and for the brethren. He reached an age of 44 years, 3 months and 17 days. The funeral took place on the 19th of May.
June 25th 1769. In the morning at 6 o'clock Sister Kunz, m. n. Minier, died in Gnadenthal. Her age was 37 years, 5 months and 5 days. The funeral was held on the 26th of June.

June 28th 1769. The single brother Edmonds went from the Rose to Bethlehem to help Br. Oberlin; and the little girl of Sister Kunz, who died, was taken to Bethlehem into somebody's care.

July 5th 1769. Yesterday and to-day there was a very penetrating heat.

July 6th 1769. Br. Joh. Bonn went this morning to Jersey to visit the people there, when they are setting up the first house near Mr. Green.

July 8th 1769. Our Br. Matthaeus, after he had visited Christian Spring and Gnadenthal, came to us in the Hall accompanied by Br. Utley.

July 11th 1769. In the morning had the house Christian Spring a delightful reaper's lovefeast, after which 30 reapers with the boys began the grain-harvest.

July 31st 1769. For the first time Bro. Vippach came from Bethlehem to visit Nazareth; also Br. Frommelt visited the single brethren in Christian Spring and in the Hall.

August 6th 1769. From Bethlehem came Br. Detmer and Bro. Klein to us, stayed over night in the Hall, and went the next morning, August 7th, to Jersey in affairs of the settlement, which had been begun near Mr. Green.

August 30th 1769. Bro. and Sr. Schmick together with the Indian Brethren and Sisters, which had come for them, left for Friedenshuetten.

September 1st 1769. From Bethlehem came the brethren Frommelt and Arbo for a visit. They visited also Br. Christensen at his building a mill on Justice Arndt's plantation.

September 4th 1769. In the afternoon came Br. and Sr. Krogstrup, after they had visited in Christian Spring and Gnadenthal, to the Hall and visited also in Nazareth and stayed over night here.

September 6th 1769. In the forenoon our house received a visit from a
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September 7th 1769. At 8 o'clock in the morning the married choir gathered together for its festival morning prayer. After this the children sang several hymns for the choir. At noon 15 couples from Christian Spring, Gnadenthal and Friedensthal and those from the Rose dined together with the laborers in the Hall, and it gave much joy to everybody.

September 8th 1769. The entire day we had a strong rain with storm, which began at midnight and lasted about 24 hours. How glad and thankful we were, that we had been spared with it yesterday.

September 11th 1769. At noon we received a visit by 2 gentleman and a lady from Philadelphia, who were brought here by Br. Horsefield, senior, and who came from Christian Spring. They looked around in our house and at the children, and satisfied with what they saw, they went back to Bethlehem again. **** Also Bro and Sr. Zahm from Hebron came for a visit to us.

September 26th 1769. In the afternoon bro. Zenner visited in the Hall.

October 2nd 1769. From Bethlehem came Bro. Lemmert for the service and care in the laundry in our institute, and Bro. Heinr. Schmidt, who had taken care of before, will take up the work in the economy and will help Bro. Edward.

October 4th 1769. In the meeting of our boys, Br. Ephraim Culvert, who had served about 10 years in our house partly with the children and partly with the housekeeping, was blessed for his call, which he had received to Bethlehem into the choir-house. For Bro. Lemmert, who will take care of the laundry in the institute, some hymns of blessing were sung. Br. Culvert went soon after this to Bethlehem.

October 5th 1769. At 11,30 a. m. died in Christian Spring Bro. Wendel Westhoefer, which news was announced by the sound of trombones.
October 6th 1769. We had the joy to receive news and letters from Bro. David Zeisberger from Goschgoschink, who were brought here by two Indians and who were accompanied by the Indian Brother Petrus from Friedenshuetten.

October 7th 1769. About noon came 3 coaches full of men and women, all Quakers, partly from Philadelphia and partly from New York, among which was Mr. Fox with his family; also Miss Norris, and Mr. Ludwig Weiss was among them. They wanted to see our children in the paedagogium. We let the children come to the Hall together with the guests, and the children sang several verses for them, after which the guests looked on the children and they evinced their satisfaction about them, yea some, especially Miss Norris and Dr. Moore seemed not to be touched a little.---

In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was the funeral of the departed Bro. Wendel Eesthoefer on the Hutberg, attended by the entire congregation. The departed one was born on the Muddy Creek and when he was 16 years, he came to Bethlehem, where he stayed for some time, and when he had the earnest desire to live among the brethren, he was sent to Christian Spring. His age was 26 years, 1 month and 25 days.

October 10th 1769. Our paedagogium had a cordial visit by 2 men and 3 women from Jersey and Philadelphia, who were delighted in the children and the order there.

October 11th 1769. Before noon went the 2 Indian messengers from Goschgogoschen with the Indian Brother Petrus from Christian Spring towards Friedenshuetten with many letters to Br. Schmick and to Br. David.

October 15th 1769. We received Br. Hall's news of the death of our three brethren Meder, Schulze and Lembke in Guinea, and the congregation received the same with emotion.

October 18th 1769. Br. Garrison, senior, with his daughter-in-law Garrison from Philadelphia, visited their little grandchild and son in the Hall.
October 27th 1769. Our paedagogium had a friendly visit by 2 men from the Princeton-College, who saw with pleasure our institute and in modesty inquired about our school-arrangement.

October 30th 1769. At noon came from Bethlehem under the escort of the old Br. Garrison a man from Charlestown, the counsellor of the Government there, with his family, and they looked with pleasure at our house and institute, and were very friendly.

November 20th 1769. After a long time of dry weather, we had a whole day and night rain, for which we were grateful, because everywhere was lack of water.

November 23d 1769. Br. Christensen, who had come yesterday with his helper. Br. Leinbach, from Bethlehem, came to-day with the carpenters from Christian Spring here, in order to repair the rotten pillars in our Gemeinhal, and to make also a new pedestal.

November 27th 1769. Br. Christensen finished his work with the pillars in our Gemein-Hall.

December 24th, 25th and 26th 1769. Christmas-vigil, Christmas-days were celebrated as in previous years.

Memorabilia of the congregation of Nazareth of the year 1769.

The Married-choir consists at present of 35 couples, of which are living in Nazareth 19, in the Hall 2, on the Rose 2, in Gnadenthal 8, in Christian Spring 3, in Friedensthal 1, Children, who are living with the parents, are 27, 9 boys and 18 girls. There are 5 widowers, of which 4 are in Gnadenthal and 1 in Nazareth. In quietness they move about among us. --- What concerns buildings, we must say, that the intended bootmaker's shop has been so far finished, that it can be used in spring and can be moved in.

The single brethren's choir, and the youth's and boy's choir consists at present of 94 persons. In the Nazareth-Hall live 27, 19
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brethren, 2 youths, and 6 boys; in Christian Spring 57, 51 brethren, 6 youths and 10 boys.

**In the Nazareth Hall are at the end of the year 1769:**

| Boys                                      | 74  |
| Single brethren, youths and boys          | 27  |
| Married couples                            | 4   |
| **Total:**                                 | 105 |

When we take all together, what belongs to the Nazareth-congregation, then we have at present:

| Married people                     | 70  |
| Widowers                          | 5   |
| Widows                           | 1   |
| Single sisters, who partly serve in the Village | 6, |
| Girl's institute, and partly      |     |
| with brethren and sisters         |     |
| Single sisters in the service of brethren and sisters in Nazareth and on the Rose | 6, |
| Big girl                         | 1   |
| Single brethren, youths, boys in Christian | 94, |
| Spring and in the Hall            |     |
| Single brother in Nazareth, Br. Eyerle | 1  |
| Children in the boy's institute   | 74  |
| Children under the care of the parents | 27, |
| **Total:**                         | 283 |

End of the Diary of the year 1769.

Diary of NAZARETH of the year 1770.

**January 5th 1770.** Bro. and Sr. Ettwein went to Friedensthal, to the Rose and visited also in Schoeneck, and in the afternoon for the very purpose they went to Gnadenenthal.

**January 7th 1770.** Sunday. Br. Ettwein read a letter, which had arrived at the end of the old year, and which was sent by bro, and Sr. Nathanael in England. They were compelled to remain during this winter in England, although they had tried their utmost, to come to us.

**January 12th 1770.** To-day we had the first snow, and it snowed the whole day. In the afternoon came Bro. Arbo from Bethlehem to Christian Spring.

**February 1st 1779.** From the Paedagogium was taken the boy Abraham Boemper and was sent to Bethlehem to the choir-house, in order to learn there a profession.