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Dear Mr Thiessen,

Greetings from Canada! I have learned about you in a letter from Mrs Kathy Hunt of Sixes, Oregon U.S.A., who believes that you may be able to help with information I am looking for to complete my book on the Family History and Genealogy of Wilhelm Thiessen (June 20, 1842 - May 15, 1927) and Elizabeth (Thiessen) Thiessen (Apr 12, 1846 - Jan 31, 1875) and her sister Sara (Thiessen) Thiessen (May 7, 1858 - Jan 15, 1925)

What I am really having a hard time finding is the early history of both of the Thiessen families. I do have the birth and death dates of the parents and siblings of both Wilhelm and Sara, however I want to know more.

1. Does the Name "Thiessen" have a ^{meaning?} ^{meaning?} Where did it originate?
2. Do these families originate in Holland? ^{for} When? Where?
3. When and how did these two families immigrate to Russia?
4. When and how did these families immigrate ^{to} to Russia?
5. What interesting stories do you have of each of these Thiessen families, so that they take on a personality?

I have so many questions since I know so very little about our Thiessen history. Anything you can share I would like to put in the book so that hundreds of our younger generations will have the opportunity to learn about their family and their faith in God.

Sincerely in Christ,
Miss Elaine Wiebe