

by Peter J. Twisk which provided a more normative evangelical eschatology. See Leland Harder, *Harder Family Review*, Issue three, 1988, for a detailed account and analysis of the career and impact of Aeltester Johan P. Harder.<sup>61</sup>

Peter Fast (1831-1916) of Jansen, Nebraska, has recorded the death of Johan Harder (1811-1875) as follows: "Today our beloved Aeltester Johan Harder, Blumstein, died instantly. He had still gone to the field that day but returned home very tired, lay down, and managed to summon the children to come to pray. Three hours later he lay dead. His wife had been very sick for a considerable time already, so that the Doctor had frequently been called there to tend to her, and on that day also they had sent for her. When she arrived the children rushed out of the house screaming "father is dead!" The Doctor had thought to herself, "they must be saying the mother is dead", since in her sickness she had frequently been at death's door. But it was indeed the father who was dead. He had evidently had a premonition of his death and had wanted to have a new Aeltester elected. Through his death the Gemeinde lost a very precious shepherd."<sup>62</sup>

Gen	Name	Birth	Marriage	Death
5	Johan Harder	Sep 15, 1811	Oct 9, 1834	Sep 11, 1875
m	Justina Schulz	Dec 18, 1814		Mar 8, 1856
6	Justina Harder	Aug 5, 1836		Aug 20, 1835
6	Johan Harder	Aug 8, 1836		
6	Justina Harder	Aug 2, 1838		Jun 7, 1851
6	Abr Harder	Aug 8, 1840		
6	Isbrand Harder	Aug 24, 1842		
6	Helena Harder	Sep 2, 1844		
6	Hein Harder	Jan 24, 1847		dead at birth
6	Hein Harder	Nov 23, 1848		
6	David Harder	Dec 2, 1850		
6	Eliz Harder	Jan 10, 1853		
6	Justina Harder	Dec 28, 1854		Dec 31, 1863
5	Johan Harder	Sep 15, 1811		Sep 11, 1875
2m	Kath Schulz	Aug 19, 1839	Jul 1, 1856	
6	Kath Harder	Aug 13, 1857		
6	Agan Harder	Jul 19, 1859		
6	Anna Harder	Apr 30, 1861		
6	Jacob Harder	Jun 17, 1863		Sep 11, 1866
6	Son Harder	Mar 14, 1865		Stillborn
6	Jacob Harder	Jul 2, 1867		Jan 2, 1871
6	Bern Harder	Jan 30, 1870		Nov 19, 1881
6	Bern Harder	Oct 21, 1872		Oct 9, 1904
6	Jakob Harder	Aug 28, 1873		

6 Son **Johan J. Harder** (1836-1930) married Elizabeth Fast, the daughter of school teacher Johan Fast in Schoenau. See Daniel Fast Genealogy cf. Johan Harder was a teacher serving for the first three years in Friedensruh, and then for four years in Schoenau, his wife's paternal home. In 1862 they moved to the village of Annenfeld, Crimea, where Johan Harder was elected as a minister of the newly formed K.M.B. in 1871.

In 1874 they emigrated to America settling in Gnadenu, Kansas. In 1886 Johan Harder moved out of the village settling on his own quarter of land.<sup>63</sup> In 1900 Johan Harder returned to Russia to visit his brothers and sisters. While there he met and married his second wife, a widow Schulz, nee Renette Krocker, from Ladekopp. With this marriage he became step father to her four daughters from her first marriage, namely, Tina born 1883, Maria born 1885, Renette born 1888 and Liese born 1891.<sup>64</sup>

7 Son **Johan F. Harder** (1860-1949) married Helena Klassen of Sparrau. The family lived near Buhler, where he was a farmer, minister and teacher in a Seventh Day Adventist School. He then taught for many years in his own SDA school in Hooker, Oklahoma, after which he taught in the SDA Clinton (MO) Theological Seminary for 13 years. He and his wife are buried in the Shafter, California, cemetery.

7 Daughter **Elizabeth Harder** (1862-1910) married Jakob D. Klassen of Alexanderthal and the family lived near Inman, Kansas, and in Hooker, Oklahoma, where she is buried in the small KMB cemetery.<sup>65</sup> Son **Isbrand Harder** (1867-1945) married Anna Friesen of Prangenau and the family lived in Canton, Kansas, and then in Waldheim, Saskatchewan, where he was a farmer and a preacher in the KMB Church. Son **Heinrich Harder** (1870-1928) moved to East Bernard, Texas, where he met and married his wife Maria Koop. Afterwards they lived in Hooker, Oklahoma, where they farmed and were members of the KMB Church, and in Detroit, Michigan, where he was hit and killed by a train while working as a rail road flagman.