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Mrs. David Jantzen  
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Dear Mrs. Jantzen,

I certainly enjoyed getting to know you and your husband. I have been studying family trees and I have some questions that you might refer to the genealogy source in Germany:

The father of Johannes K. Penner, b. Nov. 27, 1850; d. Oct. 8, 1924  
Married aug. 4, 1874 to  
Helene Jantzen, b. Aug. 3, 1856; d. Dec. 16, 1936

J. K. Penner emigrated from Khiva Russia to Beatrice, Nebraska in 1884 along with nine other families, including Cornelius Wall, Jacob Toews, Franz Bartsch, J. K. Penner and his brother Wilhelm Penner, and Hermann Jantzen.

The father of Cornelius Jantzen, b. Mar. 24, 1744 at Brokesfelde, Neu Teich in West Prussia; d. June 26, 1828

The father of Christian Baertsch, b. Jan. 20, 1835 (possibly in Switzerland); d. Aug. 25, 1897  
Married Mar. 8, 1857 to  
Ursula Sutter, b. April 25, 1833; d. Mar. 16, 1917  
A. Leonard Baertsch, b. Feb. 5, 1858 in Switzerland; d. Oct 28, 1951  
emigrated to the United States at age 8  
Christian Baertsch had eight other children

On the accompanying sheet of paper is a sketchy family genealogy of the Bartsch family. I am curious to know if the Franz Bartsch listed here as the son of Johannes Bartsch (1812-1857) is the same Franz Bartsch that accompanied J. K. Penner on the trek from Khiva, Russia, to Beatrice, Nebraska.

Any information that can be obtained from any of these sources would be most grateful.

Sincerely yours,

*John T. Bartsch, Jr.*  
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