

Research August 2016 in Klingenmünster for Mehlem 1890

What did we know?

"I have family in Klingenmunster. My grandfather was born there and his family still lives there. He was the only one that came to America. The family name is MEHLEM his name was Henry.

One of his brothers name was Karl. I did visit 36 years ago. Have lost touch with everyone. Not sure where they are now. Would like to visit there. I only have the 1 day available August 19. to travel there from Frankfurt"

What did we find?

We found a great cousin in Klingenmünster who was happy to invite our client Elaine and her husband into their home. The great cousin's name is Wolfgang and he could tell them almost everything about their ancestors and the town of Klingenmünster. He had some records in his family tree that he shared.

What else?

One of the great-cousins daughter lives in Berlin and they arranged a visit in Berlin for the over next day. We went on a walk through the little town of Klingenmünster, passing the former homes or – at least the locations where the houses once stood. Wolfgang showed us the little chapel upon the hill and we even had a stop in the ruin of the former castle of Klingenmünster.

Elaine and her husband were very impressed of the beauty of the area with its rolling hills and vinyards.

What had impressed us most?

The reunion of the family, sitting around the table having coffee and cake. Which is a MUST in Germany when you have family or good friend visiting. And this mail from Elaine after the tour:

"Marion-

Can't thank you enough for all your assistance.

We had a great time with my family and very happy you were able to share it with us. Our tour through Germany was wonderful. While we were in Berlin, we had the opportunity to visit with Simone again. She & I spent an afternoon together."







