



Archion.de Training

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Video: [Finding Your German Protestant Ancestors With Archion](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XZjoBoxutRg)
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Additional older handout: https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/img_auth.php/9/91/1_-_Using_Archion_for_German_Research_-_Instruction_B_Johnson_Oct_2018_JMR.pdf

Additional Information to help you be successful using Archion

Look at the “Family Research” tab for help with old German script

The “Partner Archives” tab lists the archives included

Scrolling down under “? Help” you will find help for finding and opening the church records

The Archion Forum is in German and you need to use your browser to translate

Only church books marked in green are available online

A browser English translation messes up the town names, use the EN on Archion

Church districts

- Use the “search” to find
 - The archive (i.e., Central archives, Church archives, etc.) and
 - The church district you need
- You can look up the church district in this set of books. However, you still need to determine which archives has your church records
 - Map guide to German parish registers by Hansen, Kevan M.

Be careful with duplicate town names

- Only one entry for your town name but it is the wrong one
- Many to choose from

Finding the town church and civil records: <https://www.meyersgaz.org/>

Only towns with churches will be on Archion Well sort of..

- Sometimes the paster kept a separate book for each town or
- The paster divided one church book by towns or
- There could have been an additional church built in your town at that time
- Bottom line: Your town may not have had a church, yet has a church book on Archion

Indexes

- **Always review the indexes, but do not always believe them!**
- Some church books have indexes at the end, or at the end of each section, or they have no index
- Sometimes there is a separate index

Translation help for today – please remember to thank them!

<https://www.ahnenforscher-stammtisch-unna.de/>

- Write down the information you see when you hit “bookmark” e.g.
Niedersachsen: Landeskirchliches Archiv Hannover > Kirchenkreis Grafschaft
Schaumburg > Deckbergen > KB 1768-1800 - Bild 4

Other helpful websites

- https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Germany_Church_Records
- https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Finding_Parish_Registers_for_Germany_Areas_Now_in_Other_Countries